

MVSA Meeting

December 10, 2013 Minutes

FINAL (Corrected 01/14/14)

Attendees: Michele Berke, Suzanne Yost, Wolf Cramer, Theresa Bettencourt, Sowmya Krishnaswamy, Stephen Lotz, Genevieve Randolph, David Lee, Georgina Wong, Benjamin Coles, HanChen Hsiung, Srilu Madabushi, Alisa Ho, Vish Gupta

Call to Order: 7:02 *Wolf Cramer*

President's Welcome: Recalled MVSA activities: Family Game Night 75-100 people, Busy Beaver Donation Drive Awards distributed, Halloween Carnival Complete. There will be no MVSA Family Events for December, but MVSA is looking at holding an event in January.

November Minutes: MVSA minutes are now posted to the MVSA website and are sent via email to members to read prior to the meeting. **Comments: none, Motion to approve: David Lee, 2nd by Srilu, MOTION PASSES**

Principal's Update:

Safety: A lock down drill will occur on Wed., Dec. 11. Officer Pipp from Fremont Police Department will be on campus to observe. New research shows that students and faculty should RUN, HIDE, and FIGHT. Students have been told to go into the nearest classroom, where doors can be locked. They should not stay in the bathrooms.

FUSD: Will be holding Community Meetings regarding FUSD Enrollment. Mission attendance area's community meeting is Dec. 12th @ 6:30 PM at the high school.

Spelling Bee: 4th-6th graders will participate Friday, December 13th. Mr. Rivera is the lead teacher.

Young Author's Books – see teacher update

Geography Bee: 4th-6th graders will participate in January. Packets will be sent home soon.

Basketball: first game Mon. Jan. 13th against CSD.

Distinguished School: Mission Valley has been invited to apply for California's Distinguished School Award.

Q: Update to Common Core:

A: None. There are updates for Smarter Balance Assessments. The state will have a field test, or practice test, in Language Arts and Math for grades 3rd thru 6th. The testing week will be sometime between April 7-May 16. Parents will not receive a student score.

Mission Valley will hold a Family Information Night for Common Core on February 20th.

STAR Science Test Date for 5th Grade: same testing window, April 7-May 16.

MV: The site will have two mobile computer labs, provided by FUSD. School site council is also providing additional materials. 3rd-6th will begin having additional time in the computer lab with Mrs. Nagata.

Q: Is there anything MVSA can help with?

A: MVSA may be asked to help with accessories for the mobile labs, for example providing mice for the laptops.

Q: Is there any updates in regards to FUSD Facilities Use Plan?

A: A Committee has been formed at the District Level.

Teacher's Update:

Busy Beaver Drive Awards: Thank you. Teachers were pleased with how quick the rewards were awarded and that the extra funds went right back into the classrooms.

Young Author's Books: due 1/7/14 to the classroom teacher. Grade level teachers will choose the books that will be sent to the district on 1/17/14.

Q: none

Treasurer Update:

Report reviewed

Budget Report reviewed

Comment: Primary Grade Letter Reward funds will be divided amongst each grade level. Kindergarten will use their money for a special Kindergarten Assembly.

Committee Updates:

Jog a Thon: Monday, March 31st

Letter Reward 4th-6th: Lake Elizabeth/Central Park Picnic Site has been reserved. It will be on Thursday, June 5th. David Lee and Georgina Wong will be co-chairing this event.

Multicultural Day Update: TBD – The Jan. date has been postponed and the committee is looking into a spring date. The vision is to have it as an outdoor event, similar to a faire.

6th Grade Promotion: no chairperson. MVSA Vice-Presidents will send out an email to 6th grade parents asking for someone to chair the event. MVSA is asking 6th grade teachers to ask parents as well. Dates TBD. Pool will need to be reserved, soon.

Science Camp: Tuition is being collected.

Disaster Committee: Chairperson is working with Ms. Randolph to update materials that are needed in the shed and the classroom backpacks.

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School Sign Proposal: It is a multi-step process: funds, vendor, contractor, FUSD procedures. The sign will have an LED screen 4ft by 8ft, with room for 4 lines of information.

Comments/Discussion: **Q:** FUSD Facilities Plan, will it remain? **A:** FUSD is involved with the process of the new sign; therefore it should get placed into Mission Valley's Facilities Plan. **Q:** What is the maintenance? **A:** None for MVSA, it becomes FUSD property. **Q:** How will information be updated, who will be responsible? **A:** Office staff. It will be Wi-Fi enabled, so updates can be made via a laptop. **Q:** What about the motorized "golf" cart for custodial staff? **A:** This project doesn't prevent us from moving forward with the cart idea

Motion: Michele – not to exceed \$25,000. 2nd: Mr. Lotz. Oppose: 0 PASSES

New Business

MVSA New Internal Knowledge Sharing Initiative: Allows MVSA to use website effectively, be transparent, and share files for events.

E-Waste Recycle Day: Going to check with Chris Nagata regarding how much electronic waste we have and if she has any additional information.

Safe Routes to School: Walk or ride your bike to school event. A local representative, Jessica Cruz, can attend Jan. meeting to share information about the program.

Volunteer Appreciation Mid-Year: MVSA discussed a mid-year appreciation event to coincide with a Family Night.

Old Business:

Eagle Scout Planting Project: All of the paperwork is complete, the project can begin.

By-Laws: Mr. Lotz made a motion– to approve bylaws as stated in previous meeting. 2nd: Mr. Lee. Floor Open for comments: President reviewed the previous procedure for why and how the changes were deemed necessary: bylaws outdated, MVSA wasn't following all aspects, an email was sent to community for feedback, executive board met and discussed comments, executive board presented proposed changes to MVSA bylaws at Nov. 5th meeting. Proposed changes did not pass. The proposed changes were summarized with the following key points being shared: 1) expand board to include teacher reps and principal 2) additional roles to President Position 3) combine executive roles in area of vice-president, and secretarial duties 4) remove nominating committee 5) grammatical updates.

Vote: 11 aye, 0 opposed, 2 abstain motion carries – bylaws approved

Adjourned @ 8:38 PM

Next Meeting: January 14, 2014

Prepared by Theresa Bettencourt Corresponding Secretary