

Mountville PTO Meeting: Tuesday January 17th, 2023

1. Welcome

2. Budget Review – Michelle Walters

- a. Did we order the picnic tables?
2 tables were ordered for a total of \$2300. We need to spend some of our PTO money. We have too much in our account to be legal. We need to keep \$25,000 in reserve for next year. Pavilion – if we can get one for \$60,000, we could get it by this fall. Shannon will go back to the company we canceled and ask them if they have anything for \$60,000. We need a donation committee to find corporate sponsors – if we could get some large donations (\$1,000-\$5,000), that would be helpful. We could put donor plaques on the vertical roof supports of the pavilion.
- b. Thoughts of the assembly - Gretna Theater Touring Outreach, “Miss Electricity”
 - i. Cost - \$200
We are waiting to hear from the teachers.
 - ii. <https://www.gretnatheatre.org/outreach>

3. Fun Run Goal Prize – T-shirts

- a. What is the schedule for getting the t-shirts? T-shirt design has been approved and they are on order. Total cost for 745 shirts - \$4039.60.

4. One Book One School Event

- a. Date March 1st, 2023 5:30 to 7:30pm?
- b. PTO assistance:
- c. Photo Booth stand
- d. Coloring pages/ bookmarks (we will make the copies) - I have enclosed my suggestions to print
- e. Crayons
- f. Face Paint
- g. Carnival games supplies: 2 wooded games, bowling set, wooden baskets to hold the things you are tossing, pool, ducks, plinko mini
- h. Hay bales - ONLY want 2 now
- i. Bounce house - donated by Gwen Christian family
- j. For Prizes - We will use Scholastic dollars and you will let us know what authors are approved to purchase books for give aways and PTO will place the order

We are anticipating 550 meals this year. There will be a sign-up genius for food items needed. PTO will push that out. (drinks, juice boxes, desserts, chips, pretzels) Teachers are working on getting pizza donated. Also there will be spots for volunteer help on the sign-up with time slots. PTO is responsible to manage the S'mores stations, the Craft Station, Carnival games.

5. Basket Raffle – Donations Due: March 1st, 2023

- a. Sending email to staff Friday January 20th to confirm Classroom themes
 - i. <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1xb0CzqaN8Tnx5aimmqh8suwP-5QWCZJ9uvlovkYu0ts/edit#slide=id.p>
- b. Started calling for donations this week
 - i. Have Hershey Food, Sight and Sound, Wegmans to start
 - ii. ANYONE WANT TO HELP CALL??

*** If you can help make phone calls or pick up donations, please reach out to Shannon.

6. Purse Bingo – March 24th, 2023

- a. Order supplies – bingo books, tickets, and dabbers

We will have 3 different colored tickets for the basket raffle, door prizes and 50/50.

- b. Confirmed Safe Serve person
- c. IN NEED OF a CORE group to help with the event

We have 250 seats available. PTO will send a flier home about a month before hand. We can also put a Save the Date message in the 5pm emails. We advertised in the newspaper last year. Again this year?

Michelle will get the permit for Bingo.

7. VIP Dance – March 31st, 2023

- a. Confirm DJ for March 31st – asked Lyz

Leftover food from Bingo will transition to VIP dance since it's the following week. We are in need of people to help the night of the dance.

The last dance in Nov. went well. It was much calmer and more controlled, thanks to the great number of volunteers helping to monitor the activities.

8. Classroom Coordinator – February Party Date ??

Feb. 14 will be a service day for MES. Students will do something for the community.

They will make cards and/or flowers (tissue paper or origami) for residents at St. Anne's.

9. Missy Paup Tori Grainer comments – Teacher Report

- a. What are your needs
- b. What is going on in the school – how can the PTO support

MES is partnering with the American Heart Assoc. the week of Feb. 14 – students can donate money to the Am. Heart Assoc. and can earn prizes. This is NOT a fundraiser.

10. Stacy Kain – Principal Report

More prizes are needed for the school prize bin (given to students for their Rock Star slips) – school supply items, little stuffed animals, etc.

Upcoming dates:

February 8 – Title I bingo here at MES

March 14 – Kindergarten Orientation

April 17-21 – Scholastic Book fair

April 20 – Night of the Arts --- The Book Fair will also be open this evening. Many volunteers will be needed to help at the Book Fair that night.

A \$12,000 grant from the Steinman Foundation has allowed MES to start a new program – A once a month breakfast for families featuring a keynote speaker on different topics. The first meeting will be held at the end of February from 7:30-8:40am.

Parents attend with their students. Different dates are for different grade levels – K-3rd and 4th-6th. There will be a maximum number of attendees due to the size of our cafeteria.

Breakfast will be catered by the district's catering service.

11. SPAC update from Jaci Hoosier and Suzanne Shearer are our contact

Dec. 4 meeting – Hempfield SD is getting a new logo – SPAC members looked at the mock-ups to give impressions and feedback. The name/mascot isn't changing, just the logo.

Also discussed – the library policy of opting out of books vs. opting in. The current policy requires parents to “Opt Out” if they don’t want their students to be able to check out certain books from school libraries. Policy will probably stay this way for now.

12. Open the floor for Comments

MES hosted the annual spelling be – PTO provided 4 \$20 VISA gift cards to the 4 winners.

Next meeting – Feb. 22, 2023