



MSES PAC MEETING MINUTES: OCTOBER 11, 2016

DATE: Tuesday, October 11, 2016 @ 8:10am

- ❖ A warm welcome from our PAC Chairman, Sela Chavez.
- ❖ PAC Secretary Report: Anne Huddleston
 - ◆ Review of last month's minutes. APPROVED
- ❖ Review of PAC in the MSSD Homecoming Parade: Sela Chavez
 - ◆ Great fun was had by all.
 - ◆ PAC Spirit Awards: Girls – Autumn Ward; Boys – Cole Combs.
- ❖ MSES Principal's Report: Russ Vogel
 - ◆ Core Knowledge Curriculum up and running smoothly.
 - ◆ Integrated learning in conjunction with tangible learning (field trips) continues to inspire MSES kids.
 - Ex. 4th Grade Pikes Peak Summit Field Trip: learning about Colorado and climate.
 - Ex. 3rd Grade Zoo Field Trip: learning about Animal Classifications.
 - Ex. 3rd Grade Meet an Astronaut: Learning about aeronautics, the challenges and rewards.
 - ◆ Karate Program Update:
 - Has been a good program for approx 8 years.
 - Recently, customer service declined, but that was workable.
 - Then, unfortunately became aggressive with children. Safety is of critical concern at MSES and so the program was cancelled.
 - Mr. Vogel is considering a new Karate/Kung Fu program: Glen Newford. No kick back to PAC, but the program is more affordable, and hence, brings more opportunities to more families.
 - ◆ Conferences:
 - Notifications coming soon or already out.
 - New Report Card at Conferences: More parent friendly –
 - Skills grade, Application grade, and Comments section. Compares technical skills vs. comprehensive skills.
 - ◆ Halloween 2016:
 - School Parade and Class Parties will be held on Monday, October 31st @ 1pm.
 - ◆ End Statements for District/State/Nation:
 - Looking for a nation-wide test to compare our kids' levels to those nationally.
 - One being considered links up directly with the ACT given at high school level.
 - ◆ Aspire Tests:
 - Tracks skills in 3rd -5th graders.
 - This is a "good guy" test and highly valued by district and MSES staff and teachers.
 - 1 session, 4 hours.
 - Helps teachers and the district. Very useful.
 - Assessment results will come back to parents in the spring.
 - No new K-2nd assessments. This is a more introspective developmental time. Preferred to keep kids on a small cycle during these years. They will continue with Dibbles testing.

(Principal's Report Cont.)

- ◆ DAAC Update:
 - Oversight on district budget and accreditations.
 - This year, DAAC is looking into programs for mental health care and awareness.
- ◆ Parking Update:
 - Working on getting 10 more tags for teachers to free up a total of 20 spots in the MSES Parking Lot.
 - Current negotiations continuing with city officials to see how to remedy the parking challenges and help each other.
 - City declined allowing free parking to school families during large school-wide events.\
 - However, November 1st begins the city's 3 hours free parking in downtown Manitou – so take advantage of that during this Fall/Winter season.
- ❖ PAC Treasury Report: Coralyn Gauvin
 - ◆ Still awaiting final report from Cindy Walford.
 - ◆ Approx \$20K in budget.
 - ◆ Some new grocery card sales in September will add to the report.
 - ◆ No other new updates.
 - ◆ For Conferences: Should have grocery card signs up and a grocery card table.
- ❖ MSES Chick-Fil-A Fundraising Evening:
 - ◆ Free fundraising, at no cost to PAC.
 - ◆ Chick-Fil-A will send their Cow to MSES the day of for advertising of event.
 - ◆ 20% of all sales under "MSES" go back to the school.
 - ◆ All participants have to do is say "MSES" when they order!
 - ◆ Russ Vogel, Point of Discussion: Look into also doing at the local Subway for more Manitou participation at event.
 - ◆ **OFFICIAL PAC VOTE:** Chick-Fil-A Fundraising Evening.
 - ◆ **VOTE RESULTS:** Unanimously approved.
- ❖ MSES Student Directory:
 - ◆ E-Version Options:
 - PTO Office – lots of options for other events, websites, links, etc. Free but with \$199 minimum. \$499 with Ad-Free.
 - My School Anywhere - \$ based on #s. Student information can be dumped from school database. Minimal labor for maximum results. Also has options for other events, websites, links. \$400/ year. Can also minimize cost through advertising. Print availability as well.
 - Karate Night Fundraiser contact willing to pay \$300 for a full page ad, to mitigate largely the cost of directory.
 - Comparison price of printed directory in years past: \$350.
 - ◆ **OFFICIAL PAC VOTE:** E-Version MSES Student Directory.
 - ◆ **VOTE RESULTS:** Unanimously approved.
 - ◆ **OFFICIAL PAC VOTE:** \$500 budget for E-Version MSES Student Directory.
 - ◆ **VOTE RESULTS:** Unanimously approved. ***NOTE: Advertisers will mitigate some or all of this overall cost.
 - ◆ **TO DO:**
 - Sela Chavez and Elissa Brost – Researching family privacy concerns and data dumping from MSES database.
- ❖ MSES Staff Meeting Child Care:
 - ◆ Mondays, from 3-4pm.
 - ◆ Watching Staffs' children while in Staff Meetings.
 - ◆ Please contact Russ Vogel or Luz Amparo if interested in volunteering for this opportunity.
 - ◆ Background check necessary to participate.

- ❖ “School Kids” Kits: H’Krih
 - ◆ Ex. Of Cost of new kits:
 - 3rd Grade kit in 2016 was \$17.18.
 - 5th Grade kit in 2016 was \$31.00 (most expensive kit they sell).
 - ◆ Previous cost through “EduKits” was approximately \$40 across the board. However, PAC received a \$107.90 kickback from “EduKits” for using their services.
 - ◆ Several Order Options: the earlier we order, the more of a discount on the kits we receive.
 - ◆ **TO DO:**
 - Is there a PAC kickback with “School Kids” kits?
 - Grade by Grade comparison: H’Krih and Emma will do.
 - When will the school supplies lists for the 2017/2018 MSES School Year available?
- ❖ MSES Karate Night Fundraiser: Elissa Brost
 - ◆ Doesn’t compete or detract from the new MSES after-school program.
 - ◆ \$5-10 per child – all proceeds would come back to PAC.
 - ◆ Program dojo donates her time and staff to event.
 - ◆ For every child that signs up thanks to the fundraiser, PAC receives a \$25 kickback from dojo.
 - ◆ Secular program.
 - ◆ Dojo does and pays for all advertising, etc.
 - ◆ **TO DO:**
 - Russ Vogel and Elissa Brost will discuss further. Potential vote during next months meeting.
- ❖ MANIBOO: Carrie Fields
 - ◆ Event: Wednesday, October 26th 2016 4pm-8pm.
 - ◆ Meetings: Every Wednesday from 8am-9am up until event.
 - ◆ Look for volunteer opportunity forms coming home in Thursday folders this week.
 - ◆ Raffle items coming in/ Carrie currently reaching out to businesses.
 - ◆ Game pieces: Ordering from Oriental Trading. (Out of Maniboo Budget)
 - ◆ Tuesday, October 25th from 8am-2pm: Haunted House Set Up. ALL ARE WELCOME TO COME HELP!
 - ◆ Volunteers Update: Need enough, but not too many.
 - **TO DO:**
 - Emma Harris - Reach out to Key Club, Scouting Organizations, etc.
- ❖ Other Agenda or Discussion Points: Open to Floor
 - ◆ Idea: offer to guardians to pay out \$10-15 to PAC at beginning of year to contribute to school.
 - Concerns of pressure on parents who may want to do so, but may struggle to do so.
 - Not necessarily at this time, but guardians and others are always welcome to donate to PAC at any time.
 - ◆ There are a lot of ways to contribute to PAC, even if you can’t attend the meetings. Contact our Chairman, Sela Chavez, today for ways that you can help!
 - ◆ Tuesday, November 8th: Next PAC Meeting. (Election Day, so will be a brief meeting)
- ❖ **AGENDA POINTS FOR NEXT MEETING:**
 - ◆ Vote on Continuing PAC Evening Meetings.
 - ◆ Vote on a date for the MSES Chick-Fil-A Fundraiser Evening.
 - ◆ Sign thank you card for Tim and Kelly for their generous donations to MANIBOO.