

Mount Vernon PTO Executive Committee

March 13, 2024

Meeting at MVES

OFFICERS PRESENT: Elizabeth Latta, President; Sally Pittman, Past President; Christy Malcom, Vice President; Alyson Wellborn, Secretary; Jennifer Westbrook, Principal.

- I. WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER: The President, Elizabeth Latta, called the meeting to order.
- II. PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Christy Malcom gave the first motion to approve the minutes from the February 7, 2024, board meeting; Sally Pittman gave the second motion; all votes in favor.
- III. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT
 - A. Enrollment Update- 635 students
 - i. K-3rd-average class size twenty-one
 - ii. 4th-5th- average class size twenty-five
 - B. Feedback on Agendas
 - i. Teachers do not think agendas would be a good use of PTO funds due to Canvas and IC/Parent Portal being the way students/parents are expected to keep up with assignments.
 - C. End of Year Dates-finalizing to share before Spring Break
 - D. Timeline for 2024-2025 Nonresident Enrollment
 - i. Magnet Applications (through infinite campus)
 1. Deadline March 1 for Grades 1-5
 2. Kindergarten opens March 18- deadline April 10
 - ii. Tuition Application (first time applicants)
 1. Application opens March 1 (district website)
 2. Application deadline March 22
 - E. Upcoming Dates
 - i. March 15- Yearbook order deadline
 - ii. March 16- Musical at NHHS, NHCEF Auction
 - iii. March 18-21- Kindergarten Registration
 - iv. March 21- Report cards, 1st and 2nd grade museum night
 - v. March 22- Teacher PL/Workday
 - vi. Week of March 25- One and Done, Math Mania

- vii. March 28- K and 1st egg hunt, 3th-5th Milestones parent night at 6pm
- viii. Week of April 1- Spring Break

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. Teacher Allotment

- i. This process is going well and there are no comments or questions. Missy is doing a wonderful job taking over this process.

B. One & Done

- i. Last year we raised over 50k. This was a remarkable success last year and hopefully we can have a close amount raised this year.

V. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A. Wonderful Wednesday

- i. The next teacher lunch will be on March 20, 2024, and the sponsor is still being decided upon.
- ii. April 8 we will plan to do a coffee bar on the Monday returning from spring break.

B. One and Done Preparation

- i. Flyers will be brought to the school this Friday and prepared to go home in Tuesday folders the following week.
- ii. The overall top donor will receive a gift basket full of gift cards and "summer experiences," including gift cards to Starbucks, Get Air, Bowling, Kilwins, Movie theater, and more.
- iii. Prizes will consist of \$12 NORTH bag tag, \$50 Trojan head tube socks, \$100 option of a pink or green t shirt, \$200 option of hoodie or beach towel. The top class for each grade level will receive a pizza party. The top class overall will get \$500 for classroom use and the second class overall will get \$250 for classroom use. The top 20 donors will get to have a picnic lunch with connection teachers.
- iv. Christy Malcom has created an envelope for each teacher with daily forms attached to the outside to collect money. Christy will come in each day with a fellow PTO member to count funds for each day. After the fundraiser is over there will be a google form sent out to determine which prize and what size.

- v. March 29 is the celebration day which will include inflatables, DJ, and frozen frenzee. Ashley Hollifield will make a sign-up genius to send out for parent volunteers.
 - vi. If we get the bag tags or socks in time Ms. Westbrook will show them during the morning announcements.
- C. Fifth Grade Graduation
- i. Awards day and additional dates for end of year parties are in the works and will be released soon.
- D. Capital Improvement Project
- i. We would like to have teachers' input on possible capital movement projects. It was stated that some teachers do not feel like there is a need for additional outdoor seating at this time. If there is a project that needs to be completed before the next school year we would like to have this started by summer.
- E. PTO positions
- i. 2024/2025 open PTO positions will be posted in the newsletter on April 11, and the ballot box will be placed in the front office.
- F. Kindergarten Camp
- i. Kindergarten camp money funding is no longer available from the county. Ms. Westbrook proposed the idea to PTO to organize and fund the kindergarten camp. Hall County will pay for the breakfast and PTO could give gift cards as compensation to teachers. Ms. Westbrook will further discuss this with the kindergarten team, and PTO will further discuss options.

VI. SECRETARY'S REPORT

A. FCA

- i. Per Ms. Westbrook, staff, neither parents can start FCA. This must be student initiated and student driven. There would need to be a staff sponsor to volunteer to be present at meetings.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Submitted By,

Alyson Wellborn, Secretary