



December 10, 2024, Meeting

In Attendance:

Chrissy Greer

Mimi Johnson

Colleen Ott

Joseph Clark

George Sisson

Becca Stein - Principal

Deb Hoffman - MMSD

5 additional attendees via zoom

2 additional attendees in person

Call to order

A meeting of the VHE PTO was called to order at 6:30 PM by Mimi Johnson & Chrissy Greer.

Reports

Direct Appeal

We increased our goal this year to \$20K. Shorewood set a goal of \$20K and beat that goal. Fundraising started later this year b/c of the election. At the time of the meeting \$5,300 had been raised. If we do not raise more then we would need to cut funding for some PTO programs or make more direct appeals to businesses or apply for grants. So far four emails have gone out – on Friday will be sending a flyer w/a QR code and the option to pay via check/cash

Could consider communicating need to the neighborhood associations – sunset, UHF and Midvale or making donations it part of glow dance when you come in.

Events

- **MMSD Board Member Q&A** - Our MMSD rep did not show up for the Q&A Session last month. Working to see about rescheduling.

- **MPD Mental Health First Aid** – working to put on a first aid class for adults in the community – can also offer to Hamilton and West High School
- **Volunteer Needs** – Recess, Lunch, Glow Dance, Carnival Leads. In addition still looking for board positions for fundraising and volunteer coordinator. We really need to take advantage of more fundraising opportunities. Madison West Honor Society is willing to help with events or other things around the school.

School Updates

Mid-year assessments for students – socially, emotionally, academically. AIMS Web+ and Fast Bridge are the two screeners for elementary students. From the assessments personal plans will be developed if any intervention is needed as well as if there are any changes the earlier assessment.

How are the kids prepped for the assessments – overall there are times within the units that they are evaluated for this. Ex. Screeners – where a teacher listens to them read. Screener data is one piece of the process. Students are aware when it is incorporated into their session. We have an assessment team that is coming in and helping with it – this is new this year.

Building Wide there is currently Native American and Black History happening in social studies

Staffing update – teacher that is moving– have a special education position opening. Working on a plan to help fill the need until the position is filled.

Grants

Approved the fall grants – two outstanding grants for furniture – there are approved by Becca.

- Motion passed unanimously for the provisional spending and approving of the classroom stools

Looking for dates for the empowerment groups for spring. Tuesday's work is best for Becca's schedule.