

MSA Booster Club Minutes **Monday September 23, 2019**

7:03 Meeting started

Board Present: Shelley Brough, Smitha Ramachandra, Rama Pakala, Vasu Santhanam, Roopali goel, Gaurav Jhaveri, Sundar Moorthi, Binru Huang, Neeta Agrawal, Rakesh Kumar, Jigisha Doshi, Dr. Dimpy Koul, Bindu Vishnu, Hazel Dolar, Dr. Yun Wan, Maha Ramanan

Meeting minutes from previous meeting approved

- Proposed by Jigisha, seconded by Gaurav
- Unanimously approved

Shelley Brough, President's Update

Teacher Luncheon

- Will be in one of the Physic Labs, D Hall
- Sep 30th, 10:45 - 1:00PM

- Lunch will be from Raizes, 100 plates for \$600
- Owner is helping us with the price (daughter goes to Dulles)
- Teachers wanted to have something 'hot'

Shelley : Should it be only Math and Science Teachers?

- Or open to all teachers

- 74 MSA teachers (ordering for 100)
- Shelley: Is a good way to generate goodwill in the school
- Jigisha, Rakesh, others : Be inclusive... setting the precedent for future years,
 - But we can handle it.
- Raised by Deepak, seconded by Neeta
- Motion carried

- We will give the brag sheets (Dimpy said it will be done)
- Create a power point using the MSA, the MSA students achievements, and the Grant committee help.

- Gaurav proposed the motion to raise the budget for Luncheon to \$1000, Deepak seconded. Unanimously approved.

Shelley:

- 17 Dulles HS Semi-finalists for National Merit scholarships- all are MSA students
- Jigisha Joshi - Destination Imagination Champion (one team placed 8th at Globals)
- Neeta - top 3 volunteers - Dali 38 hours, Hazel 29 hours, Vasu 7 hours, Shelley 100 hours.

Shelley - 368 hours, school - 1100 hours total hours. MSA is 2nd top club.

- Everyone should send in their hours...it counts towards the group.
- Parent power is important - so each parent should give their volunteer hours.
- Maha: in charge of Facebook / Whatsapp.
 - Should we allow all messages or only related to MSA...
 - Ok to maybe just keep it open for all unless we have a lot of chatter

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- Shelley: Sending a Survey to the parents to see what should be covered by the Booster club
 - Parent : great idea, especially for freshmen parents.
- Mr. Lam : FBISD Parent University is also a good source for this.
- Dimpy: Counselors are helping with parent questions also...

Mr. Lam (Communications Chair) Update

- Field trip, arranging dates, places etc.
- Administration - trying to bridge gap between MSA and School
- Flexible with enrichment activities for students etc
- Oct 11 - Academy talks Friday night (1 hour)...chance for enrichment
- November - Lisa Lue - Chemistry teacher etc
- Rakesh: internship ...need some help.
- Invited other academy boards to show how it works

Aniruddh (MSA Students) Update:

- Halloween Bash - Oct 25 - Posters, Flyers etc
- Open up to all students?
 - Bring a friend last year?
 - One friend is too restrictive
 - Vasu: cover fee for non-MSA students, security, capacity of the hall.
 - Aniruddh: Students want to have students they are going to other classes also...
 - Hazel: chaperones?
 - Limit to X number of students
 - Career interest are being sent, survey results will be sent to help with the Speakers

Vasu (Treasurer) Update

- Started with \$15,546.
- Collected \$2,450.
- Spent \$1,371.
- Ending balance \$17,510, with \$886 pending to be cleared.

Hazel (Membership) Update

- 110 families signed up
- Fill paper form even if paying online
- All Board members should pay dues to become members.

- Gaurav (Grants Committee) Update:

- Meeting with Shelley to set the framework
- \$5000 over the course of 2 semesters
- Split into two semesters
- Equally split between the departments
- Cox - \$2408 cost for Bone specimens
 - Request to vote on approval.
 - Will be writing a grant request to FB Education Foundation ... for one of the items
 - Limit from FBEdF is per school etc
 - Dulles does it... already ..
 - Finley (Math) is also asking for Calculators (\$6000)

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- Shelley: They (teachers) have no time to fill info...MSA grants team can be helpful to teachers in this regard
- In the form, specify when the students will be using the items
- Make a motion: Rama propose, Jigisha second.
 - Unanimously passed.
 - Proposal to pay for which item is needed this semester upto \$1200.
- Parent: can they take picture of the items being used by students

Sundar (Fundraising Committee) Update:

- Pizza this Wednesday - 90 pizzas - 25th September (90/ 85 pizzas sold past two weeks)
- Parent: Healthy pizza?
- Breakfast:
 - Still in the process.
 - Chick-fil-a rejected.
 - Tried various vendors, not getting thru
 - Try Parfait?
 - Vasu: needs an invoice etc to pay check (with two signers etc)

Yun :

- Send him news to post
- Easy to post online thru the Blog

Shelley:

- October 25th Halloween bash

Rakesh (Education Committee) Update:

- Internship - Nov 10th deadline
- Sep 30 - news blast
- Request MSA to inform the students.
- Nov 16,17th interviews of students who showed interest and coaching of Resume.
- Location not decided
- Jan 31 - placement commitments
- Dimpy: difficult to get applications before Winter Break, Priority to Juniors
- Rakesh: we need to change something to prevent problems with last year where we had kids who did not commit on time.
- Jigisha - request to parents to see if their companies can take on internships/projects in summer.
- Expanding to Business, Non-Profits etc. Not only Math/Science.
- Need to make sure they meet the Summer Project requirements.
- Rakesh: sponsorship engagement plan

Dimpy (Marketing Committee) Update:

- Brag sheetwill be used for teacher luncheon

Meeting adjourned 8:42 PM