

**MHS/WES PTO**  
**September 16th, 2009 Meeting Minutes**  
**President, Leann Dennen Vice President Sandy Worthley**  
**Treasurer, Amy Hatzopoulos Secretary, Stephanie Simon**

**Meeting Commencement**

Leann Dennen opened the meeting at 6:35pm with 29 people in attendance. Patty Marquis, Kathy Kelley from the administration staff. Mr. Sifert, Lin Daniels, and Mrs. Sharkey were present from the Teaching staff. . All PTO board members were present.

**Secretary's Report**

Stephanie Simon presented the Secretary's Report as Leann Motioned to accept the minutes.

- A motion to accept these minutes was made, the motion was seconded, all approved.

**Treasurer's Report**

Amy Hatzopoulos presented the Treasurer's Report.

- Amy gave a detailed overview of the treasurer's report. .
- As of to date, 108 PTO members. For a more detailed report, contact Amy Hatzopoulos.
- A motion was made to accept the treasurers report, the motion was seconded and all approved.
- Amy made a proposal to move some excess funds back to the general funds account.
- Motions were made; they were seconded and all approved.

**Principal's Report**

Patty Marquis spoke on the sparks program and the lunchroom reform.

- The sparks program is grant funded and still in a holding pattern. Waiting for approval of grant money.
- Sparks is creatively innovative ways to improve the school. More info to come soon.
- The lunch room reform program is a way to have the kids input on making the lunch room to their liking.
- MCATS scores just came in so look for them soon. Kids had great growth, except in The special ed. department.

**School Improvement Council Update**

Patty Marquis explained that there is no update because their first meeting is September 30<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30 located in the WES building. (Old conference room)

**Committee Reports**

**Website Update** ~ Jen Shenk

- The website is no longer username or password protected.
- Jen mentioned the 2 hour power plan and committee chair needs will be listed (trainings coming soon)
- Fred Ellsworth is taking over Constant Contact(pto newsletter)

**School Directory** ~ Jen Shenk spoke on behalf of Pam Raymond

- Went with Monty Tech for Printing
- Cost for printing 277 as opposed to 500 last year
- Need volunteers for proof reading
- Leaving out the school map and replacing it with school contact info.
- Moving away from paper forms and going to online forms.
- Deadline to be in the Directory is September 25<sup>th</sup>,09
- Jen requested 350. to cover the cost, The motion was seconded and all approved

**Town's 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration Update** ~ Tiffany Davis gave a run down on the Floats progress for the parade (Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> 1pm) Main Street is closing at noon.

- The committee is doing very well, under budget
- Theme is based on the Bedard family winning slogan "Come Howl With Us"
- Need help next two Saturday's
- The PTO will have tent set up to sell various items. Looking for Volunteers to work half hour shifts.
- There will be spirit t-shirts sold for the parade, \$6 in the WES office September 25<sup>th</sup>.
- Jen Shenk motioned to accept the 500.00 requested for the tent set up, motion seconded and all approved.

**Fundraising Updates** ~ Heather Salmerone is the new Chair person.

- Heather gave a detailed overview of the fundraising program.
- Fundraising items will also be at the tent during the parade on September 27,09(1-4)
- Need help with the fundraiser tallies on October 8<sup>th</sup>, 9th.
- Inside the packets to go home their will also be a designated area for donations

**Other Business & New Ideas**

- 2 hour power plan is a program to increase volunteer hours, by letting parents know they can volunteer whatever they can without being committed long term.
- Committee Chairs needed for Babysitting, Christmas Tree Lighting, Holiday Workshop, and Publicity. Past committee chairs are available for help.

**Upcoming Events**

- Fall Fundraiser ( September 21<sup>st</sup> thru October 7<sup>th</sup>)
- Family Fun Night (November 13<sup>th</sup>)

Meeting adjourned at 7:52

Draft until ratified

Respectfully submitted by, Stephanie Simon (PTO Secretary)