Welcome – Introductions

Attendance:

Sophia Pham - Lori McTamney - Jamie Gravinese - Heather DeWane - Katie Shireman - Michelle Jackson-Greenwalt - Reba Mann

**MHS Staff Reports:**

**Principal- Jamie Gavinese**

· We administered PSATs online to 750 students, hosted a career expo for our 9th grade students and offered the opportunity for our seniors to get jump start on solidifying future plans.

· Fire Department Assemblies – field trip on 10/25 to recruit

· National Honor Society induction ceremony.

· This past Friday we gave out our Golden Tickets to our Homecoming representatives

· Methacton High School just received our National Merit Achievement Awards. We will be calling down the students to share this achievement with them.

· PIAA Sportsmanship Award.

· Our school counselors have created a college and career planning folder for our seniors. The counselors pushed into senior classes to review the college application process and gave each student the folder to take home with them. It includes college and career guidelines, note to parents, checklist of things to look for throughout the year, Naviance pointers, SAT/ACT info, financial aid information, and brag sheet links.

· Campus planning committee

· Interims were this week – half way there!

· Spirit Week next week

o Pep rally on Friday

Homecoming game Friday night - extra security and lights planned

o Dance on Saturday ticket sales until thursday, capped at 1200

Entrance at main doors unless rain will move entrance to West wing

o Tickets on sale tomorrow- Thursday

· Halloween costume contest at lunches

· Junior Achievement in history classes at the end of the month

Senior Portrait selections due by 10/19

High School Conferences being offered this year at parent request. Info coming soon, 15 min sessions in person or zoom

**Teachers – Andrea Borgman**

See attached notes

**Vice President – Katie Shireman**

8 Mini Grants were submitted and all approved totaling $1995.18 Michele made the motion to approve and Katie second.

**Treasurer – Sophia Pham**

Sept income from no-frills/donation: $9386.

Total no frills fundraiser received to date is $9919.

Total donation received for "Souper" lunch is $120.

Current available account balance is $12,934.

Still waiting on invoice from Aramark for warrior awards

**Secretary – Deanna Roeger**

Need to approve September minutes with October at Nov Meeting

**District Reports:**

**Special Education Alliance Home & School**

1. We had our first official Special Education Alliance Home & School Meeting!! In addition

to typical Home & School business, we had a lovely and informative conversation with

Drs. Angstadt and Mangano regarding the Inclusive Practices model currently being

applied in our elementary buildings. Meeting minutes can be found on the SEA website.

Dr. Mangano’s handout on Methacton’s Elementary School Services is included.

2. We have attended and survived all eight of Methacton school’s Back To School Nights!

All were very well attended and we made quite a few new friends. We look forward

working with you this year.

3. Join us on Zoom November 16th for our first presentation of the school year with Cindy

Duch from the PEAL Center. Cindy will be presenting “Building A Strong IEP”. Register

using the link in our flyer, coming soon via Konstella, principals’ S’mores, Facebook and

email.

4. If you haven’t done so already, sign up at http://eepurl.com/gOsrsb to join to our

mailing list. You can also find us on Facebook at SEAofMCC, in your home

school’s Konstella, Facebook and S’mores updates, or at Home & School

meetings.

**Post Prom – Katie Shireman**

Committee held first meeting - lots of great ideas. Planning on putting together a video to send out to encourage volunteers. Every school committed to decorating a space: Theme is Movies.

30-36 total spaces to decorate…

Dr Gravinese suggested a contest for best decorated (1st, 2nd, 3rd) and suggested most volunteers from each school to also win a prize…

Also suggested was Logo contest for Post Prom - winner to receive tickets?

SEA asked to let school know asap if any aids will be needed so they can plan accordingly

Best Buddies discussed when they sign up for Prom

**School Board** – (report)

This will now be directly emailed out to all parents from the Board

**MCC**

Switched all banking for Home and Schools to Ambler. Arcola & SEA already transitioned

Questions & Answers

None

Adjournment

Motion by \_\_Katie Shireman\_

2nd \_Heather DeWane

Dates to Remember:

October

20 th – Homecoming Game – 7:00 pm

21 st – Homecoming dance – 6 to 8:30 pm

November

2 nd – Student Blood Drive

2 nd – Souper Luncheon

3 rd – End of 1 st Marking Period

6 th – NO SCHOOL

7 th – NO SCHOOL

9th – Home and School Meeting next to Principal Office 9:15 am

**Teacher Report:**

**METHACTON H.S. NEWS FOR HOME AND SCHOOL**

**SEPT./OCT. NEWS 2023**

AREA NEWS

NEWS ABOUT career preparation events on OCT. 11 and 12

Grade 9- Students had a career day at MHS in the morning

Grades 10 and 11- PSAT testing in the morning

Grade 12- OFF SITE time for college visits, job shadowing or community service day

Grade 12 will have a Field trip to MCCC on Oct. 12

HOMECOMING

NEWS and TRIBE NEWS

HOMECOMING PEP RALLY is ON OCT 20TH from 1:00-2:20 pm.

THERE WILL BE A TEACHER VS. STUDENT TUG OF WAR and CLASS COMPETITIONS.

TRIBE will be holding their yearly re-match of Juniors versus Seniors powderpuff game during the pep rally for Homecoming on October 20th

HOMECOMING FOOTBALL GAME against OWEN J ROBERTS : 7 PM ON OCT. 20

HOMECOMING DANCE ON OCT 21.

The Homecoming Dance is on Saturday, October 21, from 6:00pm-8:30pm.

Nurses Office

Methacton School District will once again be hosting Skippack Pharmacy for a Family FLU/COVID Vaccine Clinic!

WHEN: Thursday, October 19th 4pm-8pm

WHERE: Methacton High School Main Gym

SOCIAL STUDIES

Mr. Smith took his Criminal Justice students to Montgomery County Correctional Facility for a classroom field trip.

HALLOWEEN CONTEST for students and Staff

Oct. 31: There will be a Student costume contest during lunches.

Also, The annual staff Halloween Costume Contest is upon us.

Since this is Dr. Gravinese’s final year, we expect the competition to be FIERCE. So stay tuned:)

SENIOR SUNRISE

On Oct. 6th, Seniors had an opportunity to come together early in the morning to watch the sunrise, bond and enjoy time together.

Despite the early hour, there was good attendance and fun was had by all!

SENIOR

NEWS

Parents are asked manage cap and gown orders, as well as diploma information.

YEARBOOKS NOW ON SALE:)

NURSES OFFICE

November 2nd will be the 1st Community Blood Drive

This event will be held from 2:30pm- 7:30pm following our student blood drive that will be held the same day.

Life Saving Community Event will be held in our Main Gym beginning at 2:30pm.

GOLF:

Matthew Rieger qualified for Day 2 of the District One Individual Golf Tournament. Matt is currently tied for fourth at +2. Matt must be in the top 18 to qualify for States next week.

THEATER:

TWO PRODUCTIONS THIS YEAR:

1ST SEMESTER: MIDSUMMER NIGHT’S DREAM

2ND SEMESTER: CHICAGO

SOCCER

GIRLS SOCCER:

2022-2023 girls soccer program: The 22-23 squad received national recognition this month by the United Soccer Coaches Association by being awarded the High School Team Academic Award for the 2022-23 school year with a Team GPA of 3.96! This was the highest Team GPA in the Pioneer Athletic Conference, and one of the highest in the state last season. This is also the 4th time the team has received this award.

SCIENCE

FORMER STUDENTl

2012 MHS graduate Chris Miller won the DVSF (Delaware Valley Science Fair) alumni recognition award.

Chris began his research at Arcola Middle School and continued it into Methacton High School to eventually compete at the international level.

His senior year science research project was titled "Thinking Robotics" and launched him into the career that he excels in now.

After MSH, Chris was recruited by Penn State University and immediately began work designing and engineering advanced wheelchair systems for persons with disabilities.

Chris is now Staff Project Manager at ShieldAI

National Speech & Debate

Matthew Chung, Viranch Doshi, Aadi Shah and Max Wu competed in the Yale Invitational last month.

Technology Education

Architectural Design: Students have been studying house framing and are building architectural models demonstrating construction standards.

Engineering Design: Students have been practicing their CAD and Design skills with a Ping Pong launcher project.

Intro to Engineering: Students have been learning about the Engineering Design process and problem solving while creating rubber band powered vehicles.

3D Modeling and Printing: Students are hard at work learning how to 3D model and how 3D printers work. They are currently practicing their skills designing model castles which will be 3D printed.

Science

Some 9th and 10th grade students created cards for the teacher they appreciate the most to celebrate World Teachers Day.

Habitat for Humanity

Community Pumpkin painting willbe on October 18th to raise money for our local Habitat chapter.

Our Best Buddies club will be joining us for this event.