

MVCS PTA Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2014

PTA Business-Leocadia Conlon

1. May minutes approved.
 2. School Supply orders accepted until 6/13 online at www.shopttkits.com
School supply delivery will occur the week before school, watch for listserv announcement, will be delivered to classrooms. Will need help delivering kits to classrooms. With any revenue from supplies, PTA will be ordering kits for donation purposes. If interested making donation, please contact Debbie A.
 3. Playground Phase I Update
 - Need volunteers for first phase on 6/14. David Forbes at dcirclef@yahoo.com is coordinating. Mulch, many supplies were donated.
 4. Fifth Grade Graduation at June 18th at 5 pm, PTA provides-shirts and sponsors reception
 5. Reception for our retiring MVCS teachers-June 19 at 1 pm in library
 6. MVCS Night at Alexandria Aces Game-June 19. Wear your MVCS t-shirt!
 7. Update on Reflections (Carolyn Alers)
 - -Alexandria 5th Annual Arts Festival—reflections work was displayed, 124 pieces of art was mounted.
 - 14 pieces of art from 10 students were selected for display at the Torpedo Factory and will then travel to City Hall. Carolyn will distribute a note to let families know about whose art was selected.
 8. Mr. Perlman, who is retiring this year, was recognized for his incredible support of the PTA.
 9. Officer Slate 2014-2015-Voted upon and approved:
President-Deborah Altenberg
President-Elect-Elizabeth Schilling
Secretary-Alyssa Simmon
Treasurer-Nancy Drane
VP of Enrichment-Darcey Arnold
VPs of Programs-Carolyn Alers & Maureen McNulty
VPs of Fundraising-Megan Hess & Susan Harris

Committee Chairs
Chair for in school volunteers-Amanda Ruff
Chairs for the Playground Committee-Liz Libresco & Kim Fondren
Chairs for After School Clubs-Annie Maccubbin & Kerry Phelps
- Next PTA Exec Committee meeting-8/5/14, 7 pm
10. Back to School events:
 - a. 2014 Back to School Ice Cream Social will be held 9/5- 6 pm
 - b. PTA meeting-9/16- 7 pm
 - c. Every student will receive a new MVCS T-shirt from the PTA.

11. Before PTA meetings next year, we hope to offer a few parenting workshops. Let Debbie know if you're interested in any topics.
12. Thank you for outgoing PTA leaders & MVCS partners!
13. Treasurer's Report (Debbie for Summer Jones)
 - a. We will be ending the year with a positive balance.
 - b. For next year's budget, we will have to plan for a potential loss of revenue from Big Flea, since we are losing shop space. The Big Flea is currently looking for new space, but does estimate less revenue than previous years.

Principal's Update

1. SOL testing over! Not able to report scores yet. However, prelim results show an increase in scores. Progress reports will go home on June 19th. SOL scores will be on student's progress report. Cumulative reports for school will be known in September.
2. Dual Language-teachers are writing curriculum for Spanish literacy over the summer. Has never been implemented before. Teachers have to complete a 2-day training course. Teachers are being paired with balanced literacy program in place. Purchased smartboard resources for Spanish literacy. Shift in enrollment for incoming kinders--will offer 1 non-dual language classroom, 7 classes for dual language. One of those classes will be a "contained classroom"—same teacher will do half-day.
3. Teacher Training-All MVCS teachers will be participating in mandatory training for the new literacy program for MVCS during the summer; A math institute for all math teachers will also be offered, along with a writing institute. Both of these programs are optional. 18 teachers have applied to be ELL credentialed through GMU.
4. Uniforms—sending home an update letter with more graphics as examples. Mr. Balas has spoken with SCA & older patrols to be showcased as uniform "models." He & Ms. Namba will be meeting with each class individually to talk about the uniform policy.
5. Summer registration confirmation letters going home on Thursday, the 19th. Teachers not yet placed, because 200 students have still not yet responded. 300 students are definitely attending. Very few Johns Adams—under 40. Rising kinder program--will be half-day. Are meeting now to develop curriculum. Hope that the kinder will have the same teacher for prep.
6. Safety fencing will be installed through the older kids' playground.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:00 pm.