Minutes from Moody PTSA Meeting 3.3.2021

Meeting took place virtually.

Attendees: Maha Chandran (President), Denise Doss (Principal) Kristen Vithoulkas (Treasurer), Kim Imajo (Secretary/Raider funds), Meg Foster (Hospitality), Kathy Josefiak (Membership), Kelly Griffith (Spirit Wear)

Call to order: Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm

**Motion to approve minutes:**  A motion to approve the minutes from 2/3/2021 meeting was made by Maha Chandran. Kristen Vithoulkas seconded the motion. February meeting minutes were approved.

**President’s report:** Maha reported on the following items

* Mathnasium: Maha spoke with Mrs. Doss who gave the dates of March 24th & March 31st for available dates to hold the competition. Maha will reach out to Mathnasium to find out if one of these dates will work and then will publish the information for kids to sign up in the Sunday email and online.
* There is a program for a voluntary service award signed by the President of the US that is available for students. The PTSA would have to sign up Moody to be a participant in this program and then any Moody students would be eligible to apply. There is a one time $65 fee that could be paid out of our programs budget. Maha will email the details to the board so we can look over the specifics.
* A company called School Spirit Topiaries does graduation balloon arrangements for parents to purchase to go in their yards for a day (similar to yard birthday signs). It costs $35 for one arrangement and $60 for two. If parents order this then the company will donate 25% of the order to Moody. Maha will email the details to the board so we can discuss this further at the next meeting to see if we want to send the information out to parents for graduation.
* Maha is going to renew our website domain this month.

**Principal’s report:** Mrs. Doss reported on the following items

* This week the 6th graders returned to school and overall things went well. Next week the 7th and 8th graders will return. Most teachers are back in the building and are doing parallel hybrid teaching.
* Mrs. Doss is interested in doing some outside school beautification and would like to use the PTSA school improvement fund to help with this. She is going to work on the plan with the head of building maintenance and will let us know what she might need.
* The virtual town hall was held last week and parents had lots of questions about the SOLs. All but about 300 students/families filled out their online SOL intent forms so the school is contacting those families. The remaining 700ish families filled out the intent forms online and the majority are taking SOLS with a small portion opting out.

**Treasurer report**: Kristen provided an updated Treasurer's report by email prior to the meeting. During February we received $150 in raider funds. There was $150 in corporate donations and $755.70 received through retail promotions. The spirit wear vendor payment that was mailed in January was never received so a new check was issued and hand delivered and a $25 stop payment fee was issued on the original check. Two teacher reimbursement requests were received and processed. Dues were paid to the PTA for the 8 new members which brings our total members to 237. Reconciled bank balance as of 2/28/2021 is $19,807.62.

**Memberhip and Raider Fund report:** Kathy and Kim both reported that there is not much activity going on right now since we are well into the school year. We will welcome any new members but that the PTSA should concentrate efforts on filling board positions for next year rather than trying to get new members/donations for this year.

**Spirit Wear report:** Kelly reported that the spirit wear purchase using Custom Ink went well and that they were easy to work with. She reported that 74 items were sold and the PTSA will be getting a check for $491 that was raised with the sale. The sale is closed for now but Kelly talked about having another sale after spring break. Mrs. Doss is interested in some sweatshirts for teachers so will touch base with Kelly about items when she does the next sale. Mrs. Doss also suggested pullovers without hoods with the ¾ zip fronts as teachers seem to really like those.

**Hospitality report:** Meg reported on the following items

* She is dropping off 90 teacher treat bags on Friday for the teachers that are back in school. The bags were decorated by Moody students. She is also going to do something similar the week after spring break.
* Teacher appreciation week is the week of May 3rd-7th. She will start looking at ideas for things to do for the teachers. Mrs. Doss noted that the teachers loved the gift cards where their name was pulled out of a hat to come pick a gift card. She also said they like food. An ice cream truck was done in the past and was a big hit.

**Reflections report:** Maha reported for Suchita. Maha stated that the students who were Henrico county winners had their prizes distributed to them before the county level awards celebration on Feb. 24th. Suchita is going to print the award certificates for the school winners and have them available at the school on March 10th between 10-11am to pick up. The celebration for the state level winners will take place on March 19th. Moody has 3 students in the state competition.

**Other business:**

* **Nominations for next year’s board:** Next year’s board was discussed. All current board members except Kim (secretary and raider fund) and Suchita (reflections) will have students returning to Moody and are willing to stay on as board members. The communications board position was also never filled this year (Kathy has been doing this along with membership) so that position will be open. The board would also like a person to shadow both the president and treasurer next year since both those positions will need to be filled in the 2022-23 school year and it would be a smoother transition if the upcoming person spends next year learning those roles. Maha will confirm returning members and open positions and will send out information through the Sunday message and online for interested people to contact her.
* **Tissue Drive:** The county is not supplying tissues for the school this year so teachers need tissues for their classrooms. The PTSA is going to do a sign-up genius for parents to send in tissues. It will be advertised through the Sunday message and on Facebook. Mrs. Doss said there are 66 classrooms being used so 2 boxes per classroom would be ideal.

-Minutes submitted by Kim Imajo