



MRHS PTSA Meeting Minutes  
Feb. 14, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. via  
Zoom

**Number of Members present: 8**

**Call to order and introduction – The president called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.**

**Agenda:**

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**SGA Report** – discussed school spirit week

**Staff Report** – Ms. Brady

**Science Olympiad:** Sponsor, Mr. Hong and Mr. Fagan

Science Olympiad results this year:

- NCS Invitational Tournament: Team A 2nd place, Team B 9th place, out of 29 teams
- JHU Invitational Tournament: Team A 2nd place, Team B 6th place, out of 21 teams

Tournaments left this year:

- UPenn Invitational
- Maryland Regionals
- Maryland States (if we place high enough at regionals)

**Environmental Club:** Sponsor, Ms. Kol; continuing school wide recycling and working on Green School recertification (must be done every 4 years).

**Rocketry Club:** Sponsor, Mr. Hong, leads students on Saturdays.

**USA Biology Olympiad (USABO):** Sponsor, Ms. Thampuran; a few students just participated in this assessment after school.

**Watershed Report Card and Project:** Sponsor, Ms. Luniewski. Summit is to be in April and students will be presenting to county officials. All current 9th graders (Biology GT & Earth) have been a part of this process in some way.

**Forensics:** Sponsor, Ms. Davis, is working hard to get guest speakers back in her classroom this spring.

**Marine:** Three students applied to do a volunteer internship this summer at the Baltimore National Aquarium. They go for their interviews this month! MRHS has represented this program very well over the years.

### **Principal Report**

- Met with seniors. Counselors are meeting all students during English to do four-year plans.
- The two double bus runs have been eliminated. All students leave at the same time at the end of the day.
- Had a lot of staff absent. Either staff or subs are covering.
- February 21<sup>st</sup> is now a school day. It will be a B day.
- Administrative Professionals Day is on April 27<sup>th</sup> and will be sponsored by school and PTSA.
- COVID numbers have some students that have to be out; numbers are dwindling.
- One parent asked about off ramp for masking. Mrs. Goldeisen explained the three off ramps.

### **President Report**

- The PTSA wants to know if there is anything we can do to help teachers and students that have to isolate due to COVID. Mrs. Goldeisen mentioned there are several hurdles. It takes about two months to hire a substitute. Tutors and teachers need to be vetted. PTSA can't do instruction plans and can't make calls to parents. No immediate things that we could do to help. One parent asked for any ideas, and Mrs. Goldeisen will meet with ITLs to see if they have any ideas.
- One way that PTSA is already supporting students with the effects of COVID is by supporting having a mental health speaker, Mr. Hakeem Rahim. The date for Mr. Rahim's presentation is Wednesday, March 16. The presentation will be pre-recorded, 45 minutes in length, and presented during two periods (shortened due to half-day schedule), so every student will be able to view it. The cost is \$3,500. His contract has been submitted to Risk and Safety Management, and we are waiting for approval. The school will sign the contract and make the initial payment, and the PTSA will reimburse the school. Mrs. Goldeisen, two members of the Executive Committee, and the PTSA point of contact for this initiative attended a Zoom Meet & Greet with Mr. Rahim on February 9.
- We need another person for the Nominating Committee. So far, we only have two members, and the Bylaws indicate that we should have three.

**Treasurer Report** – Balance as of 2/11/22 - \$34,797.79. Paid After Prom venue deposit of \$3,000.

**January Meeting Minutes** – Approved with no corrections.

### **Committee Reports**

- **Membership** – 575 members; not a lot of activity right now.
- **Fundraising** – Continuing with local businesses to support AfterPROM.
- **Grocery Rewards** – No update.
- **Website/Communications** – Committee chairs should continue to update Google doc from Kathy Baur for PTSA newsletter.
- **Facebook** – Please join the new combined PTSA and Booster Facebook group. We are trying to get the word out for people to join the new group.

- **Student Directory** – It is on our website. Contact mrhshocoptsa@gmail.com if you have trouble getting it.
- **AfterPROM**
  - We are planning for at least 350 and up to 500 students.
  - Tickets sales and the parent donations campaign will start on March 7, the same date as prom ticket sales.
  - Need volunteers to help with prizes and ticket sale logistics.
  - Thanks to Leesa Yhim, Jill Nagiel (prizes), Carolina (graphic design), Francine (online sales), Michele Palmer (bus), Ms. Rashid and Liz page from Boosters for great collaboration.
- **Senior Scholarships** – We have received two applications and one submitted essay so far. The deadline is April 8. The scholarships will be presented at the senior awards ceremony in May.
- **Senior Banners** – Using MemberHub to sell. \$36 per banner (our cost \$20). FARMS students get them at cost. Mrs. Goldeisen was wondering where the banners will be hung this year. With the flood, the ceilings have changed. Work orders need to be submitted for hanging the banners. PTSA should contact Ms. Miller to find out.
- **Horizon Grant**
  - Committee chair is working with Project LETS club members and sponsor; students are very engaged. Had two meetings so far.
- **HCDrugFree** – No update.
- **Hospitality** – Nothing to report.
- **Cultural Liaisons** – No update.
- **PTACHC Report**
  - We are filed under the Delaware State PTA. We submitted the papers a few weeks ago.
  - At last PTACHC meeting, there was a guest speaker that had an option to sponsor after-school programming geared toward high school. It gives students the ability to be more comfortable with public speaking. Students pay \$20 a year for materials. Mrs. Goldeisen suggested talking to SGA to see if it would be valuable.
  - PTACHC is giving out senior scholarships. It is on their website.
  - BOE member shared that the construction of HS13 will not result in countywide redistricting, but just for the area near the high school, and highlighted that the State of Maryland would have to approve having snow days virtually.
- **Boosters Liaison** – Passes are no longer required to enter games. Concessions in the hitching post is now open. Mustang Madness tickets are \$45 in advance; there will be a band. Boosters also have a senior scholarship. They are working on the schedule for summer camps and working on the pancake breakfast.

## General Discussion

- **New business** – N/A
- **Announcements** – N/A
- **Volunteer Opportunities** – Need another member of the Nominating Committee.

Meeting adjourned: 8:15 p.m.