

Morris Knolls HSA Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 13, 2023

7:00 pm, via Zoom

Present on Call:

Christie D'Asti, President

Danielle Massey Lang, Vice President 1/Hospitality Chair

Approx. 16 additional participants on Zoom

Meeting Opened:

President D'Asti opened the meeting at 7:00pm

HSA President's Report:

- Introduction of HSA Co-Chairs and roles.
- Current open position for Vice President and Treasurer - interested volunteers will shadow current Vice President to get acquainted.
- President D'Asti presented HSA programs available to students, as well as teacher appreciation days and celebrations. She explained that the HSA collects money through membership and other activities such as 50/50 raffle, and spirit wear online store.
- HSA main goal is to spend the money towards Senior' scholarships. But also contributes to other activities such as Teacher and Staff appreciation luncheons.
- Membership fee is U\$20 per family.
- Dues are collected through Cheddar Up. Monetary contributions and 50/50 raffle can be paid by Venmo. Dues cannot be paid by Venmo due to extra fees charged by Venmo.
- If you are Senior parent, all dues must be paid by 12/31/23 as part of the scholarship qualification requirement.
- New QR code to pay HSA dues can be found at the Morris Knolls website. It will take you directly to Cheddar Up.
- Facebook page rules of what can and cannot be posted. No personal business, page is to share MK activities and reminders. Lots of information shared on the FB page.
- President D'Asti also shared a presentation with the summary of last year's accomplishments and scholarship distribution.

Principal's Report:

- Thank you for the wonderful luncheon put on for the opening day for staff.
- We have had a successful opening of school.

Upcoming Events:

- Senior College Application Night - Tuesday, 9/19 @ 7:00
- Activity Club Fair on Friday - Friday during the lunches.
- Back to School Night Programs - A-L Thursday 21st Thursday 28th M-Z
- School Closed on Monday September 25th - Yom Kippur

Announcements:

1. Once again we have partnered with Princeton Review to offer 24-7 tutoring for all students. All core subject areas, college essays, etc.
2. Math and ELA Intervention Program (Identify struggling students - pull out/push in program - identify reading levels, etc.
3. Student Wellness Programs throughout the year- additional counselors in our ESS program.
4. Lifelines Suicide Prevention Program - programs throughout the year in school and at night for parents.

Facility Upgrades:

- Security Vestibule
- New Security Cameras
- New Bell/PA System - work in process
- Bathroom Upgrade Update
- HVAC/Air Conditioning Upgrades
- ESports Lab - B44
- New Tennis Courts (In Progress)
- New MK Entrance Sign
- New Lighting in the Auditorium (Fall)

Security Protocol

- Visitor Procedures/Drop Off
- Class III Officer at MK
- New Verkata Camera Software with some amazing features (facial recognition, door open alert systems, etc)
- Completion of New Internal Intercom Communications with new bell system /emergency alert systems. Fall installation.
- Additional cameras, including license plate recognition, have been installed.
- School Threat Assessment Teams
 - The purpose of a threat assessment team is to provide school teachers, administrators, and other staff with assistance in identifying students with behaviors of concern, assessing those students 'risk for engaging in violence or

other harmful activities, and delivering intervention strategies to manage the risk of harm for students who pose a potential safety risk.

- GAGGLE (Safety Monitoring Software)
 - Web Filter (Including Social Media), Anonymous Reporting, Prevention
- School Digital Pass System - Pilot Program