

“HOT TOPICS” FROM YOUR MES EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, APRIL 2018

- PTA Executive Committee met on April 12, 2018 from 8:15 am until 9:30 am; here are the “Hot Topics” addressed during the meeting.
- Kick off meeting with Secretary and the appointed Nominating Committee chair, Kathleen McDavid Harrison was completed on 4.09.2018. Nominating Committee has been provided the following: (1) most current bylaws, (2) spreadsheet of PTA BOD/Executive Committee leadership gaps and (3) timeline for slate posting.
- MES PTA/Foundations new logo design review approved.
- Executive Committee will review and identify any additional amendment opportunities and present them for discussion in the May 11th PTA BOD/Executive Committee Meeting.
- Current accounts have not changed since the April 9th PTA General Membership Meeting.
- President’s discretionary fund will cover the following upcoming costs: \$1000, for QuickBooks Pro and \$1350 for the Kindergarten Splash. K Splash needs to be added to budget going forward.
- Audit pricing under review and will be presented at the May 11th PTA BOD/Executive Committee Meeting for approval.
- 2017/18 check request cutoff date June 1st.
- During bylaw review, Treasurer description needs to be updated and will be presented at the May 11th PTA BOD/Executive Committee Meeting for approval.
- Taxes are due for the fiscal year on June 30th.
- Lobby Guard incremental unit cost will be presented at the May 11th PTA BOD/Executive Committee Meeting for consideration. If there is consensus to purchase, a new budget line item must be approved.
- Process to determine leadership gaps on the fundraising underway.
- Halloween and Boosterthon check request needs being assessed.
- Remaining Spirit Wear inventory needs to be sold in preparation for logo transition. Assessment of current inventory and breakeven costs needed. Opportunities to liquidate the inventory at Field Day.
- Marketing/logos will continue to fall under the responsibilities of the VP of Communications.
- After Kindergarten event, rising K Facebook and My School Anywhere invites to be sent.
- Amy Hartman will not return as the editor for the Digital Dolphin.
- Earth Week April 16 -20. Earth Week finale picnic at Sidney Marcus Park on April 20th ay 6pm
- Field Day May 17th
- STEAM will no longer exist as a BOD position.
- Request for BETA Club leadership position does not fall within the PTA scope or responsibility and should fall to a parent volunteer.
- There is a need for a new committee as related Cultural Arts and Diversity and will be discussed at the May 11th PTA BOD/Executive Committee.
- Principal discretionary budget to purchase new teacher tote bags with the new MES logo. Classroom Parents will encourage gift giving to fill up the totes during Teacher Appreciation Week.
- Field Trip chaperoning assignments will be reallocated to teachers going forward.
- There were 15 open positions at MES for the 2018/19 school year. All teacher positions have been filled, with functional hiring still underway.