

April PTSA Minutes (04/28/2017)

1. Thank you to Ms. Roxanne Rhinehart from Milwaukee City Council PTA and Mr. Kevin Curley from Family and Community Engagement (MPS) for joining us and for your support and continued work to grow our PTSA.
2. Parent/home school communication is an area that our PTSA would like to support. We would like more important info included on our MSL website. *Info we would like accessible in a timely manner includes:* contents from morning announcements shared with the school community, PTSA meeting agendas, PTSA minutes, schedule of PTSA meetings, fundraiser and family event fliers, and an officer list. Possible ideas for sharing info via the MSL website suggested were using a Google Drive or a Drop Box. Thank you to Ms. Decosa Hobson (our PTSA President and Parent Coordinator) for talking to Mr. Shawn Gleesing, staff member, about setting this up. (He is the MSL website contact person). Thank you in advance for your help, Mr. Gleesing.
3. We have **23 paid PTSA members** and **163 members on our new PTSA Parent Page on Facebook**. Thank you again to Ms. Angela Goodwin, Vice Principal of PTSA and parent, for setting this up our Facebook Page! If you are on Facebook and have not connected to our page, please do so! We plan to regularly share information through this vehicle.
4. Next year we will have a PTSA representative on our SGC (School Governance Council) who reports to the PTSA about what is discussed at SGC. Sarah Harris, parent and PTSA Secretary, is on both committees and is willing to do this.
5. Thank you to Ms. Penny Larson and Ms. Roxanne Rhinehart (Milwaukee City Council PTSA) and Ms. Decosa Hobson for the contacts they made working to set up a Bullying Education Workshop sponsored by PTSA for parents at MSL. Nothing is determined yet, but this is a priority for the fall of 2017.
6. We discussed potential fundraisers for the 2017/2018 school year. Ms. Amanda Gilman, parent, and Ms. Angela Goodwin, PTSA Vice President and parent, will look into a Booster Thon (fun run) or a Color Run. Ms. Angela Goodwin will look into Pizzeria Piccola and Skate Night at Incredi-Roll. We are interested in events for families that are also fundraisers. Info will be shared at our next meeting so we can decide and get something on the 2017/2018 school calendar.
7. PTSA also expressed the desire to support the Mental Health of our students. Sarah Harris will call NAMI (National Alliance of Mental Illness) to see if they ever do educational presentations on mental health issues to parents at schools. Info to be shared at our next PTSA meeting.
8. Our final PTSA meeting of the year will be on **Thursday, May 25th from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.** Please join us!

Respectfully Submitted by: *Sarah Edmonds Harris, Secretary (4/28/17)*