

**Milwaukee School of Languages (MSOL)**  
**Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA)**

**Meeting Minutes**

**01/09/2018**



1. Welcome
  - a. Membership update-88 members, goal is 100.
  - b. Suggestion jar for staff suggestions will be checked.
2. Treasurer's Report-Pam Gende, Budget/transactions (written record) were shared.
3. Quick Update
  - a. Mini Grant, application has been updated. Next due date is February 1, 2018. Info to go again to staff via Ms. Hobson and Mr. Gleesing.
  - b. Concession sales from Saturday, 11/11/2017 and Saturday, 12/2/2017  
Some concessions items were donated and some were purchased with PTSA money. We had 5 volunteers assist. Special thanks to the Goodwin family for all of their hard work and time! Total profit amount is \$237.15.
  - c. Pizzeria Piccola Night was Sunday, 12/3/2017. The PTSA made \$43.00 from tips and \$467.98 from 15% of the purchases that night for a total of \$501.98 profit. We had 18 volunteers help that evening. Pizzeria Piccola staff shared with Sarah Harris that starting in January 2018 the guidelines for how Pizzeria Piccola will be doing agency fundraisers will change dramatically. Some of the proposed changes in procedure were shared.
4. Next projects/unfinished business
  - a. Teen Dating Abuse Workshop-We will have an educational night (information session will be approximately 45 minutes long) during February which is the official Teen Dating Domestic Violence Awareness Month. It is scheduled for Wednesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 p.m. in the library. A speaker from Sojourner Family Peace Center (Specialist Ms. Debra Fields) will speak about the subject to parents and students in an effort for prevention and intervention and to open up the dialogue between students and their parents. Light refreshments will be offered. PTSA to give a small donation (\$30 proposed) to Sojourner Family Peace Center. Sarah Harris to communicate with Ms. Hobson to do publicity. Angela Goodwin to get building permit.

b. Spirit wear/t-shirts-update Angela Goodwin

Angela talked to Dunn's Sporting Goods. We talked about having orders primarily be made online. We would like to have some order forms available at school for people who do not want to order online. Interest was expressed for personalization option for spirit wear. Ms. Goodwin is willing to be the contact person for this project. We hope to have information about ordering them available at Festival of Nations in February and Parent Teacher Conferences in March. She would like to get some mock ups to show as options.

c. Future fundraisers-possible raffle, report by Angela Goodwin

Ms. Goodwin applied to Wisconsin Department of Gaming for us to get a license.

d. Parent Teacher Conferences are the week of March 5th, 2018. We will have a PTSA table and give info about spirit wear. We would like 8 volunteers total each night. As we get closer to the dates of Parent Teacher Conferences, Amanda Gilman will put out a request for volunteer help.

e. Festival of Nations is the evening of Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 p.m. We will have a PTSA table and give info about spirit wear. We would like 8 volunteers for the evening. As we get closer to the dates of Parent Teacher Conferences, Amanda Gilman will put out a request for volunteer help.

f. Future social event

Sarah Harris looked into a Family Bowling Night either as strictly a social event or a fundraiser. Sarah talked to Bolero Bowl on Burleigh as it was newly remodeled. They said we could do a social event or a fundraiser. If we were to proceed with one of these options at Bolero Bowl, we would have to have people sign up and pay in advance to reserve the lanes.

We also talked about the possibility of skating night.

We are interested in moving forward with one of these options but need more volunteers to take this on/being a chairperson to plan a social event.

5. Next meetings

- a. Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.
- b. Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

6. Questions/comments/concerns/ideas

- a. Ms. Martel talked about welcoming donations of used tablets for use by students at MSL.

- b. Ms. Martel reported that the Sheriff's Department is going to be providing education to students at MSL about cell phone safety issues. Ms. Martel indicates that the Sheriff's Department is willing to do a parent information session in conjunction with PTSA. She will contact them and let them know March and April PTSA meeting dates. Angela Goodwin shared that Renee Logee Henserky is willing to be our parent liaison for this.
- c. Ms. Martel gave an update regarding no longer having Frau Lohmann as our high school German Teacher at MSL. A letter was sent to parents of high school German students today. German testing will go forward as planned. Frau Pfaller will be taking care of this administration. Interns will be working with the students prior to the testing. Ms. Martel is working with Human Resources to obtain a qualified replacement as soon as possible.

\*Respectfully submitted by Sarah Harris, PTSA Secretary for Milwaukee School of Languages  
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