MPH Parents' Association
Meeting Notes January 11, 2023

Attendees:
Gabrielle Linzer, Aneta Zafonte, Zoe Souliotis-Foley, Renee Vinal, Theresa Heath, Kelly Patrick, Frank Thompson, Denise Rasberry, Elle Bindra, Luke Schlachter, Lisa Raney, Shelbi Pisciarino, Karen Belgrader, Maria Besaw, Amy Wildhack, Caleb King, Win Olarte, Shannon Dow

Theresa Heath, PA President opened the meeting with a welcome, and Jim Foley took a moment to thank everyone for coming to the meeting and being a part of the MPH Community.

Treasurer report by Maria Besaw. The PA currently has $5,383.02 in their account.

Admissions

Lisa Raney from the MPH Admission Office spoke on ways parents can help Admissions recruit new students. Please find the list below. Current families are the best source to share information about MPH.

Find Niche and leave a review at https://www.niche.com/k12/manlius-pebble-hill-school-syracuse-ny/
You can contact Lisa at lraney@mphschool.org or 315-446-2452 ext.131

MPH Parent Admissions Ambassador Opportunities (in progress)

Less Time Intensive	**Moderately Time Intensive**	**More Time Intensive**
Displaying MPH Magnets on cars and/or yard signs at home	PeerPal Ambassador	Serve as a host family for an international student
Niche reviews	Invite Admissions to Present at Your Workplace	Host an MPH gathering in your home
Meet MPH Feature (With Katie Rey)	Bring your coworkers to MPH for a campus tour	
Parent/alumni testimonials (print)	Parent/alumni testimonials (video)	
	Join a panel/event for admitted students/families	

Gala

Karen Belgrader spoke about the gala.

This year's Gala will be at The Palladian Hall/The Treasury near Clinton Square on Friday, May 17th.

This year's Co-Chairs are Dr. Cami Riley and Philip Rubenstein and the goal is $150,000 with the focus being technology.

Denise Rasberry suggested a higher ticket price as this is a fundraiser.

The next Gala meeting will be at The Treasury at Palladian Hall on February 8th at noon.

Anyone interested in joining the Gala Committee should contact Karen Belgrader at kbelgrader@mphschool.org

MPH Community Education Series, January 25, 6:30 – 8:00

Luke Schlachter, MPH School Counselor spoke briefly about the upcoming community education presentation Social Emotional Health and the Impact of Social Media. The speaker will be Dr. Michael Gilbert, founder of It's About Childhood & Family, Inc. There will be breakout sessions led by Luke and Head of School Jim Foley.

The school is looking for more topics families are interested in learning about for future presentations. Please contact Luke at lschlachter@mphschool.org with any recommendations.

Annual Fund

Caleb King, '88 and Amy Wildhack, Board Member, P'22, '23, spoke about the importance of the annual fund.

The school sources of revenue are the tuition received and a modest amount from investments. This amount does not cover the operating expenses of the school. The gap between revenue receipts and operating expenses at MPH runs between $3,000-5,000 per student.

The money raised by the annual fund is used to cover expenses that have been budgeted for the current school year.

The Development Office is looking for 91% or 285 families to donate to the annual fund. They are not looking at a dollar amount but a participation percentage. You can donate using the link below. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Belgrader at kbelgrader@mphschool.org
https://www.givecampus.com/campaigns/23286/donations/new

Athletic Booster Club

Kelly Patrick from the Booster Club shared families can help the Booster Club. The Booster Club has all new members this year and are looking for volunteers to help run the concessions during games. It is a good way to see other parents while supporting our student athletes. If you are able to help with concessions, please contact Sarah Reckess sarahcumbiereckess@gmail.com, Any other questions about the booster club, email mphboosterclub@gmail.com.

Volunteering Opportunities and Upcoming Events

- January 25 – Community Education Series: Social Emotional Health & the Impact of Social Media 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- Visual Arts needs help with matting art for Scholastic Art show last week of January
- February 8 & 9 – Middle School Play
- February 10 – Lunar New Year Hot Pot Celebration dinner, 6:00-8:00 p.m., $10 per person VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
- February 12-16 – Winter Carnival
- March 4 – Employee Appreciation Luncheon VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
- March 4 – tubing at Four Seasons VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
- May 17 Gala - Gala Committee/Gala Ambassadors – contact Karen Belgrader (kbelgrader@mphschool.org)
- All volunteering questions except for the Gala, please contact teehee_esq@hotmail.com.