



## Meeting Minutes

**Date:** February 19, 2014

**Attendees:**

**Executive Committee 2013/2014:**

*Co-Presidents-Karen Riley & Jenn Curnow,*

*1st VP-Ann Gallagher*

*2<sup>nd</sup> VP-Sheryl McNichol*

*Secretary-Julie Murtha*

*Superintendent- Mr. Maire*

**Meeting Summary:**

**7:30 pm -Welcome:** The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm.

**8:25-Karen Riley-Co-President**

- Recognition: Spirit Wear Sale, Shopping Showcase, Family Photo Fundraiser, Holiday Shoppes, Tile Project, Magic Show Fundraiser, Thank You Cards from Parents and for attending the BOE Meeting.
- The Shopping Showcase Vendors would prefer to have it on a Saturday afternoon next year.
- The MPHSA presented a check at the January BOE Meeting for the cubbies at Mountain Way and Borough.
- Recess Enrichment has been very successful at Mountain Way and Borough.

**7:45- Mr. Maire –Superintendent**

- As of today we have used 7 snow days this year. The last day of school will be June 26, 2014. Any future snow days will be taken from Spring Break.

- Professional days will be reduced in the 2014/2015 school year from 8 days to 4 days. We found that 8 days was too disruptive to the children's education.
- The State Performance Reports came out and Morris Plains scored Above Average against the state and average against our peer group.
- Mr. Maire is working with the town to improve snow removal at the drop off areas of Borough and Mountain Way.
- The Morris Plains Rotary has announced a contest for students to design a Rotary Logo for their announcement sign located in town. The Rotary will donate money back to the school in return.
- Mr. Dolan and Mrs. Viera will be giving presentations at the March Board of Education meeting on their visions for their schools.
- At the April BOE Meeting there will be a presentation on how technology is being used in our schools.

#### **8:12- Karen Riley and Jenn Curnow-Co-Presidents**

- The open lockers have been ordered and we are waiting for a shipping date. They will be placed in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grades at Borough and in all of the classrooms in Mountain Way.
- Geralyn and Amy are transferring the MPHSA Financials to a web based QuickBooks
- We need to add clipboards to Recess Enrichment for the months when the stage is not available.
- The MPHSA will begin planning for next years budget.
- The Family Photo Fundraiser made \$1,000.00. The Magic Show Fundraiser made \$502.50.

#### **8:40 pm-Assemblies**

- Kessler coming , March 18<sup>th</sup> to Mountain Way. The MPHSA donated \$100 to Kessler.
- 1/29/14-David Gonzalez will be talking to grades 6-8 about slavery. He will present 5 stories.
- Jan 30<sup>th</sup> Seth Rightgot performed the Golden Liar at Mountain Way and the Chariot of the Sun for Grades 3-5 at Borough.
- Lion King will be coming to Mountain Way in March
- Ball in the House an Acapella group will be performing on June 9, 2014 for Grades 3-8.

#### **9:00 pm-Valerie Bober-Art and Science Show Updates**

- Science Night will be on March 13, 2014
- Flyers are going out on Monday for workshop sign ups.
- This year we are having: Frosty Meets the Mad Scientist, NJ Mineralogy Society, Slime Girls, Jenkinson's Aquarium, NJ Astronomy Association, Morris County Parks Association, Wildlife Woman, Avian Wild Life Center, Schiff Nature Preserve and Transoptions (Solar Car)
- There will be a small tricky tray in the Gym for the children.
- Julia Murtha Photography will be taking picture of the evening.
- The Art Show will be taking place on April 3, 2014
- Workshops available this year are: Art in Motion-Dance Performance and workshop, Miguel-Graffiti Art, Live Art-Artists Making Art, Rainbow Loom, Doodle Wall, Musical Workshop, Pottery

Wheel Demonstration, Drawing Workshop, Printing Workshop, Henna Tattoo Workshop, and Face Painting, done by 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> graders.

- There will be a small tricky tray in the gym for the children.
- Volunteers are need to help set up the Art Show as well as preparing the art for display.

#### **9:00- Fundraisers-Ann Gallagher**

- The Big Fundraiser will be held on April 5, 2014 at the East Hanover Marriott.
- Flyers are going home next week for tickets.
- A banner will be hung on the Rotary Announcement Board in town.
- Ticket prices are \$65 per person, which includes 4-course dinner and a comedy show. Open Bar Bracelets are also available.
- Sponsorship Committee needs help following up on phone calls.

#### **9:15 pm-Kindergarten Registration**

- The MPHSA will have a table at Kindergarten Registration, which is taking place March 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>.

#### **9:20pm-Meeting Closed**