

***Marriotts Ridge High School
PTSA Meeting
August 17, 2009***

Meeting was called to order by Irene Bademosi at 7:20 PM

In Attendance: Irene Bademosi, Cathy Lein, Laura Muth, Jennifer Burgy, Patrick Saunderson, Tim Ferrell, Christine Crosby

President's Report: Irene Bademosi presented her priorities and goals for the coming year to the Board. Priority is the students.

Goals include: School Connectedness (taking a whole community to build a successful child); Increase membership; Continuing liaison with Boosters Board; Parent and teacher involvement; Family and school working together (Family and Community Partnership Committee); and school beautification.

Monthly PTA Board Meeting schedule for the year is attached. All meetings will be held on the second Monday of each month at 3:30 PM.

Still need Committee Chairpersons for Newsletter, SAT Prep, Hospitality, Scholarship, and Student/Family Programs. We are also in need of a second PTACHC Rep.

Irene will scan the Bylaws and e-mail them to Reg Hahne to post on the website.

Irene will send an electronic copy of the, "School Connectedness" publication to Board members so that continued discussions on this topic can take place during the September meeting.

Irene would like to have a PTSA membership table at as many school events as possible to raise awareness and increase membership.

Irene attended the PTSA Leadership Conference in July and will attend the Howard County Training sessions in the Fall with Laura Muth, Treasurer.

There are several State and National PTSA awards that Irene would like the Board to consider making nominations. More information will follow during the September Board Meeting.

Mrs. Rashid asked the PTSA to publicize the National Day of Action. This program encourages healthy eating for children, and is a nationwide grassroots effort. A pot luck dinner will be held on Monday, September 7 (Labor Day weekend) at MRHS.

The Board would like to have student representatives serve again this year. Irene will compose an eSchool newsletter submission. Mr. Saunderson requested that at least one

representative have ties to SGA so that their programs and incentives could be brought to the attention of the PTSA Board on a regular basis.

Second Vice President's Report: Cathy Lein will attend the Make Route 32 Safe Meetings and will keep the Board informed about activities and programs, as well as the progress, of this Community Activist Committee.

Treasurer's Report: Proposed 2009-2010 MRHS PTSA budget income and expense line items were discussed individually. Figures that were discussed are attached.

Boosters has allocated the following funds to the PTSA for the 2009-2010 school year:

\$2500 for staff appreciation

\$250 for custodial appreciation

\$2000 for After Prom prizes

\$50 Administrative fee to contribute to the annual cost of the postage indicia

Principal's Report: Current enrollment is 1260 students.

The state Highway Administration has ruled that the left turn arrow at the intersection of Marriottsville Road and Route 99 will be operational during the morning rush hour.

Mrs. Natalie Gaieski had a baby girl in July, her name is Abigail.

A business in the Community, Rhine Landscaping, is working with the Administration on a grounds upgrade plan. More information and details will be presented as the plan develops. A Gardening Committee would probably need to be established due to the fact that Central Office may or may not maintain any plantings not made by the County.

Secretary's Report:

Please check the attached Executive Board Roster for your contact information and let Jennifer Burgy know if there are any changes or corrections to be made.

Committee Reports:

After Prom: Christine Crosby distributed copies of the proposed After Prom Budget. Proposed income and expenses are based on 2008 event actual expenditures. Christine will attend a County-wide Traffic Safety Committee Meeting and will report back to the Board at the conclusion of the meeting.

New Business:

Irene introduced Tim Ferrell

Motion (Saunderson) To appoint Tim Ferrell to serve as First Vice President for the 2009-2010 school year. Second (Lein). All in favor. Motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:20 PM.