

13 January 2009

After Prom Agenda

Meeting – call to order

- Sign in sheet – please confirm and add contact information for future meetings and mailings.
- Budget – review and approve proposed budget for 2009 APE
- Minutes from first APP meeting – December 9, 2008 7:00 pm
 - Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm
 - Introductions made by chairperson and of those who attended, Christine Crosby – committee chair, Jennifer Burgy (entertainment chair, Rita Baena – coat check chair, and Barbara Mayer)
 - The date of this year’s prom is May 9th at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Baltimore. The after prom will begin at midnight and end at 5 am on May 10th.
 - 9 December meeting minutes include:
 - Communications have been received from various parents on volunteering for the event. A spreadsheet has been started to develop committees, committee chairs, and for future mailings.
 - Christine and Karen Littlejohn met to discuss last year’s budget and to review the 2009 proposed budget for approval at the next meeting.
 - Proceeds from the Pasta Dinner and Innisbrook were calculated by Lynn Schenning and added to the current APE budget. The Innisbrook fundraiser is still ongoing, profits will remain undetermined until the effort has concluded.
 - Contact will be made with the Junior class advisors to enlist feedback on possible themes and timelines for the prom.
 - Feedback was provided on where this year’s event should be held, on site at MRHS or off site?? Comments were shared that the students would like to alternate venues each year to keep the interest and attendance level high. Those in attendance discussed the pros and cons of such locations as Dave & Busters, Lifetime Fitness, Columbia Gyms, B&O Railroad museum, ESPN Zone, Supreme Sports.
 - Those in attendance took action to investigate renting specific locations and will report back on the availability and cost.
 - Prizes were discussed and comments shared that last years event had generated a few concerns on how the prizes were allocated to students. A request was made to investigate a new way to present

winning prizes while preserving the idea that keeping the students at the event until 5 am is the overall goal.

Tonight's discussions:

- Venue – those in attendance will vote for – on site or off site ??
- Approving the budget
- Interest in chairing specific committees – there's an immediate need for a Publicity chairperson
- Prizes – how can the committee keep the students interested in staying for the entire event, how could the distribution be more equitable, etc.
- Mailings – preparing the parent letter for mailing
- Junior Class input / advisor feedback on prom timeline and theme

Close of meeting

Next meeting is on February 10th at 7:00 pm in the Commons Conference Room