

San Diego Met High School Foundation
January 2019 Executive Meeting Minutes

Date, Time, and Location: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 3810 Convoy Rd, San Diego 92111

Meeting called to order by Meridith Coady at 6:14pm

Board Attendance: Julie Bonnardel, Melissa Agudelo, Jennifer Wanis and Meridith Coady

Other Attendees: Christina Abuelo

November Meeting Minutes: Approval of the minutes was tabled for the March meeting.

Principal's Report:

- Exhibitions are the week of 1/21/19. All students will be participating. The exhibitions are not for a grade but are intended to be experiential.
- The semester ends on 1/25/19. There is preliminary discussion to align the Met's calendar with Mesa's calendar. SDUSD would need to approve, and then the next step would be to hold focus groups with parents and other stakeholders. One benefit of aligning with Mesa would be for support services such as food services, janitorial/supply needs, and impacts due to construction or scheduled outages.
- Enrollment is strong; we are anticipating between 8 – 10 new students enrolling for the new semester, with 2 existing students not returning (1 for a move out of area, 1 for other reasons). Jason Moravec has worked hard to inform and educate the district as to what the Met has to offer and to correct some misconceptions about the school's offerings. We have 22 commitment letters for fall 2019, and we anticipate meeting our goal of a full ninth grade class of 45 students. Shadow days are ongoing through the spring.
- The school is working on certification from GLAAD, an organization which supports LGBTQ inclusion, which would indicate that our school is safe and welcoming for all students.
- The awards assembly is planned for this school year after taking a year off last year. More information and potential funding requests will follow.

Treasurer's Report: given by Meridith Coady on behalf of Shawn Coady

- The financials have been reconciled through December 31, 2018. Jennifer Wanis made a motion to approve the financials with Julie Bonnardel seconding the motion. They were approved unanimously.
- The Foundation has \$29843.88 cash on hand at the end of December 2018.
- As of January 16, 2019, the balance for classroom funds is \$964.71. The general, unrestricted fund balance is \$22061.71.

Old Business:

- Giving Tuesday was a great success. Thanks to Julie Bonnardel for spearheading our efforts once again. We raised \$1260 and anticipate additional funds from Facebook for the Giving Tuesday match.

- We anticipate making a fundraising request to our community as we approach the mentor luncheon, providing families an opportunity to support their child's mentor at the event.

New Business:

- One of the December "deep dives" was a yoga, meditation, and self-care class for the young women in our school community. The instructor donated her time, but there has been interest for continuing this for the remainder of the school year. Melissa Agudelo requested funding for \$240 to cover 8 sessions at \$30 per session. The class will be an extended lunch period and is expected to include 14 current students. The staff have offered to contribute lunches for the group. Any additional funding would cover the purchase of yoga mats, tshirts, catered luncheons, and a Mother's Day event. Meridith Coady made a motion to allocate \$240 for this program and Julie Bonnardel seconded the motion. They were approved unanimously.
- The math teachers will be moving into their new classrooms in February. This will make Mr. Sharpee's current classroom available for a student lounge/space. The space will host "Project 3.0 (the tutoring program), as well as be a place for students to meet and socialize. Mr. Ferguson and several students will be constructing tables and other furniture. There is a need for chairs and couches. The total amount of the shortfall is \$2K. There is discussion about naming the space after Met teacher Aaron Farmer. Siv Verdun is spearheading the project. Melissa Agudelo will provide us a list of needed items and we will formulate a fundraising strategy that could include targeted asks, donation requests, corporate sponsors, or collaboration with Mesa's Foundation.

Announcements:

Next meeting is Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 6pm at Appstar Financial, 4619 Viewridge Avenue, San Diego, 92123.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27pm

Minutes compiled by Meridith Coady

Minutes approved on March 13, 2019.