

MOPSC Meeting - 12/3/15

1. Numbers calculated for annual fund--\$1,000 & \$875 in the Give to the Max
2. Minutes approved from last meeting
3. South Open Program (Corinth) -
 - a. Shared the South High Open Mission
 - b. South Open is a pathway choice for Marcy students. 2010 Changing School Options was officially aligned with Marcy and Barton.
 - c. Overview of various programs and options offered through the South Open program - social justice, field trips, cross-curricular connections, de-emphasize grading
 - d. Overview of other programs at South that are ALSO open to South Open students (music, arts, sports, etc.)
 - e. Contact Corinth Matera at corinth.matera@mpls.k12.mn.us with South Open questions.
 - f. Student guests (Betty and Emily) spoke about their experience
 - g. Questions: Differences in regular program and open program, grading, class size,
4. Peace Labyrinth - history of how the labyrinth came to be, now in phase 3, fundraising method (bricks), current on installation with all bricks, issue with landscaper. New landscaper hired, installed bricks and soil fixing. There are now sitting rocks, new bricks, benches, trees (installed in spring), Donna and Marvin got rock, will be turned into a welcome rock at the start of the labyrinth. Continuing to apply for grants, classroom challenges in the Spring (classes buy "tree", "rock", etc.). Phase 4: Outdoor art contest, need updated materials, classroom education opportunities/curriculum. Money - 2 benches to put in (bolted) plus more details on handout. Total request \$2200. Once Phase 4 is complete there will be a better sense of maintenance cost.
5. Since no MS sports, look into the park/rec. program. Currently enrolling.
6. Garrett - Class size discussion group to meet in corner at the conclusion of the meeting
7. Donna - Celebrations - photo/article in the Star Tribune, \$500 essay winner, teacher introductions, visit from Superintendent candidate, 35 debate club members, future discussion on whether to continue looping based on academics (request for teacher input before MOPSC discussion), GEAR UP grant update

MOPSC Minutes submitted respectfully by Kim Smith - ESL/Reading Intervention Teacher

Parent Council Meeting

Special request from Jean Dudley for assistance with transportation costs for field trip, \$200.00 to cover portion of bus cost with students also being asked to contribute to cost of trip.

- **Motion made to fund \$200.00 to cover portion of transportation cost**
- **Motion seconded**
- **Discussion: Proposal that Parent Council consider funding the full request, parent confirmed that the balance of the money had already been requested from students and was in the process of being collected**
- **Motion to fund special request carried**

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm. Next meeting scheduled for January 7, 2016 from 6:00 – 7:30pm.

Marcy Parent Council Minutes submitted respectfully by Terri Warren, Parent Council Secretary