



Mariposa Academic Boosters Club Agenda  
October 20, 2017  
11:30 AM

MCHS Rm 56 (directly across from Learning Center restrooms)

Attachment

- I. Call to order
- II. Arts Night revamp discussion (Celeste)
- III. UC Merced Lab Tour (March 13) update and go forwards (Naoko)
- IV. Approval of minutes from September 15 meeting A
- V. Finance
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- VIII. Set Next Meeting Date and Time
- IX. Adjourn



Mariposa Academic Boosters Club Minutes  
September 15, 2017  
12:15 PM  
High Country Health Food Cafe

Board members present: Jill Harry (chair/secretary); Dave James (vice chair); Kathleen Pfeffer (treasurer); Tara Schiff

Board members absent: Carol Hart, Deb Rockwood, Naoko Kada

Public: Jennifer Rider, Ruth Smiley

I. Call to order

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:20 PM.

II. Approval of minutes from August 12 meeting

Dave moved to approve the minutes from the Aug 12 meeting; Tara seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

III. Finance

A. Treasurer's Report

Kathleen reported our balance as of May 31, 2017 was \$20,047.72. After all remaining obligations from the 2016-2017 school year cleared, our balance as of July 31, 2017 was \$17,666.60. Starting with that balance, we had one major deposit to start the 2017-2018 school year and one withdrawal and a few outstanding checks for an August 31, 2017 ending balance of 20,137.80.

Tara moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Dave seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

B. 2017-2018 Budget Overview review, including:

- i. Best advertisement of large donation
- ii. Speaker Series suggestion

Jill shared that Naoko has asked about perhaps taking 2 buses to UC Merced Lab Tours in the spring, raising the cost of that item from \$250 to \$500. All agreed we can see how many students sign up and we can fund a second bus if necessary. Jill will still check with Tavis Corp about donating to this event.

Jennifer said that in an attempt to encourage more students to attend a college fair at UC Merced last week, MCHS had told students if they attended, took a selfie, and submitted it to the counseling office as proof, they would be entered into a drawing. Jennifer asked if MCHS could use two of the Passport to Success gift cards as prizes. All agreed this is a worthy expansion of the Passport program. All agreed taking pictures of the winners and advertising on social media etc is a good way to encourage participation at future events like this.

Jill said that she had forgotten to ask Kathleen for a copy of ABC's insurance coverage to include on the agenda and in the packet to help us decide whether to keep this expense or not this year. She will add it to next month's agenda.

Jennifer said that sending a letter to Aramark requesting donations is on her list to do and she will get to it shortly.

Regarding Steve and Carol Hart's very generous donation, all agreed it will be best to take a photo and publicly thank Steve and Carol at the conclusion of our Season of Giving campaign. We can thank all our donors at that time, highlighting this wonderful donation and any other large donations if we receive other large donations.

Trish Gilger had suggested that we add another speaker series to our programs this year. All agreed that given we are not holding our Fall Fundraiser at Savoury's, we need to concentrate on funding our current programs. We will revisit Trish's suggest speaker list if we find we have more income than expected later in the year.

Dave moved to approve the changes as outlined above. Kathleen seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### C. Season of Giving campaign

Jill shared that our Season of Giving campaign has begun. Articles have appeared in the Gazette and Sierra Sun Times. Letters including remittance envelopes have started going in the mail. She has given packets of letters to Carol, Tara, and Kathleen for their distribution. She urged all to look at the list of names mailed separately from the meeting packet and to please think of others to send letters to. She quoted philanthropist expert Kay Sprinkel Grace: "Always ask. No one can decide if they are going to donate or not unless you ask." Especially since we are not having our Savoury's Fall Fundraiser this year, our Season of Giving campaign is important for funding our programs. All can think about additional contacts, email Jill, and she will get letters to those who need them. Jill will check in with everyone again next month.

#### D. Annual Taxes - update

Kathleen reported that our state taxes have been filed, our federal taxes have not. Kathleen has run into some questions regarding federal taxes and has a call into the IRS. She noted we are not in violation of anything and no fees are involved. We simply must report with the IRS at least once every three years. Kathleen believes the federal tax filing will be complete by next meeting.

#### E. Putting money into savings for greater interest earnings update

Kathleen said putting money into a savings account will only earn ABC an additional \$7. Given the effort involved for little gain, she has not pursued.

#### F. Cancelling Process Now

This system was recommended by our bank but has proven to be more cumbersome than it is worth, involving more fees than anticipated. Kathleen is working on cancelling. At first the company said they would refund \$100 and then they said \$75. Kathleen is trying to get them to refund \$100 as first indicated.

### IV. Programs

#### A. Career Lunch

##### i. Results of Sept 14 lunch on Aviation

Thirty-five students signed up; 14 did not show; 3 who had not signed up joined in for a total of 24 students. Kathleen suggested to Jennifer that rather than what might seem like a scolding to the ones who did not show which might discourage them from future lunches, perhaps the Counseling Office could somehow teach the students who sign up about responsibility. Jennifer said she would talk to her colleagues about how they might be able to do that.

Jill mentioned that Carol had signed up ABC for "Remind". If at the time of signing up for the event, students enter ABC's Remind text number into their phones, we can send them reminders about the event. Teachers at MCHS, like Mrs. Dobson, use this system for homework and the like and are familiar with how to use it. Jill will send the email with the information to Tara and Jennifer and perhaps we can figure it out by the next Career Lunch and add the text number to the sign up sheet.

While this month's speakers, Tony and Michelle Borreson, were very enthusiastic and we very much appreciate their time and the info they provided, Jill said she had heard feedback from

students that they would have preferred hearing more about the speakers' paths to their professions and how they as students might be able to pursue careers as pilots and less about the wide variety of careers available in aviation (from pilot to accounting with a whole lot in between). Tara will keep this feedback in mind when talking to future speakers about their presentations.

#### ii. Schedule of future speakers

A list of scheduled speakers was included in the packet. In addition, the group discussed adding Mariposa County Arts Council Director Cara Goger to talk about careers in the arts and Jonathan Harry to talk about paths to becoming a medical doctor. In addition, Tara said she has spoken to Kevin Cann, asking him to speak about being an elected official and what it is like to run a campaign. Zoe Levin was mentioned as a possible speaker. She was in the entertainment industry in LA. Brenda Ostrom was also mentioned as a possible speaker. Tara is looking for a broad range of speakers who will be of interest to different groups of students at the high school and it seems we are making good progress with this. Once the master list is updated, Jill will add it to the Career Lunch tab on our website. Our next Career Lunch is October 12 and Don Costa, Costa Lives Olive Oil, is our speaker. He will be talking about Entrepreneurship in the Ag industry.

#### B. Lab Tour Update

In addition to the two bus question from the budgeting section, Jill conveyed that Naoko would like to know if either Wednesday or Thursday, March 14 or 15, would work for the lab tours. Jennifer will get back to Naoko on Monday about those dates. Jill, Jennifer, and Naoko had met and discussed some details about the lab tours including having the tours happen during the school day rather than after school given that no dinner is involved. In thinking about this since then, Jill wondered if perhaps the tours could be moved to right after school. She noted how difficult it is for high school students to miss classes and thought that perhaps if they were right after school, it would be easier for students. Kathleen mentioned that teachers also dislike it when students miss class. Jennifer did not see a problem with this. Jill will check with Naoko and we can discuss again at the next meeting. Jill had included AAUW's Dinner with a Scientist application as an example of one we could use for the lab tours. Jill will update it accordingly and include it in next month's agenda. Naoko's UC Merced contact had suggested we will want to start recruiting in December. Jill asked if ABC members will be willing to form a group and work with Jennifer or a counselor and Naoko to go through applications and match student interests with lab tours available. Members agreed.

#### C. Date for Spring Art event/fundraiser

Carol had suggested to Jill that Bryan Starchman is in touch with arts-related events happening at the high school and would be a good one to talk to about what might be the best date for our spring Art-related student showcase and fundraiser, keeping in mind that our Career Lunch is happening March 8 and lab tours will likely take place the following week. Bryan indicated he had a meeting to discuss happenings today (Friday) and would get back to Jill with suggestions soon after that. We will also keep in mind the Spring Break holiday which is the first week of April.

#### D. Community Connections Update

Jennifer said she has been in touch with Scott Seymour from Quest Counseling and he is enthusiastic about providing training to mentors. Jennifer continues to seek mentors. Jill suggested sending messages to AAUW, Rotary, Masonic Lodge, and other local organizations who could in turn share the request with their members, all probably good candidates for mentoring. Jennifer is going to pursue this and other avenues. They were hoping for an October launch date. It will take a little longer, but they are getting closer.

#### E. Personal Best Update

When Jennifer and Jill met a few weeks ago, Jennifer had mentioned that in addition to talking to Ron Henderson about his contact at Verizon, Fernando Mendoza at FM Wireless (next to the Stage Shop) might also be helpful. He is an MCHS grad and owner. Last year, he set up 4 scholarships for students that included 3 months of free service and \$200 each. Jill has not had a chance to pursue these contacts, but will do so.

V. Governance

A. Vote on new member(s)

Jennifer Rider and Ruth Smiley expressed interest in becoming members of ABC. Kathleen made the motion to vote them in as members, Dave seconded the motion. All were in favor. Thanks very much to Jennifer and Ruth for joining us!

VI. Open Forum

Kathleen brought up that she has been researching the cost of various card reader systems. She handed out sheets with her findings. We use PayPal on our website for online donations and could use a card reader twice a year at our fall and spring fundraisers. While people have paid by cash or check at past events, perhaps it will be easier for them and perhaps they will bid higher on silent auction items if they can pay by credit card. Discussion ensued if it was worth the fees involved, and in PayPal's case, if it was worth the cost of the card readers which are \$14.99 each. Ruth said she uses Square for her small business and it is very easy to use and readers are free. One question is about PCI Compliance, which was the big problem that arose with TSYS. Kathleen knows that PayPal does not require further action on our part in regards to PCI compliance and will check to see if that is also the case with Square. We will put this item on the January agenda so that we have time to order a reader or readers if we so choose to pursue this in time for our spring fundraiser.

VII. Set Next Meeting Date and Time

Our next meeting will be Friday, October 20, 11:30 AM at the MCHS lower campus staff room which is around the corner from the library. Jennifer will see if she can bring a sign in sheet to the meeting rather than us all going to the office first to sign in. Jill will get the room number from Jennifer and send around the number and a campus map, and Jennifer's answer regarding sign-in requirements, before the next meeting.

VIII. Adjourn

Tara moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:30 PM. Kathleen seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

**ABC Treasurer's Report for October- 2017**Beginning balance 8-31-2017    \$ **20,137.80**Ending balance 9-30-2017        \$ **19,934.83**Total deposits: \$ **78.75**

9/19    78.75            TSYS card reader refund for non-PCI compliance fees

Total withdrawals: \$ **281.72**

230    108.45            Jill Harry-Google domain, badges, SofG letters (Office Depot)

385    49.00            USPS Season of Giving Postage

386    124.27            Pizza Factory- Sept. Career Lunch

Outstanding checks: \$ **128.15**

387    128.15            Pizza Factory - October Career Lunch

MCHS Academic Boosters Club, Inc. Annual Budget Overview									
Annual Expenses	Historical (annual est.)	2017-2018 expected	2017-2018 YTD actual	Annual Income	Historical or anticipated (annual est.)	2017-2018 anticipated	2017-2018 YTD	Notes	
<i>Events and Requests</i>				<i>Fundraisers</i>					
Dinner with a Scientist (AAUW) \$1200 first	\$600.00	\$800.00		Fall - Savoury's - as much as \$3,900	\$2,980.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Natural Helpers	\$2,640.00	\$0.00		Arts Night	\$2,122.00	\$1,700.00			
Career Lunches (\$2,800 first year)	\$1,400.00	\$1,600.00	\$252.42	Season of Giving Campaign	\$1,680.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,425.00		
Academic Achievement Night (every 2 or 3 yrs)	\$307.26	\$300.00						\$1,425.00	
Valedictorian Dinner \$2400 first	\$1,250.00	\$2,400.00							
UC Merced Lab Tours		\$500.00		<i>Donations</i>					
Passport to Success \$160 first year	\$160.00	\$1,000.00		Anonymous*	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00		\$ 7000 / \$9000 past donations	
Community Connections		\$2,700.00		Misc	\$50.00				
California Scholarship Federation \$0 last year	\$400.00	\$400.00		PayPal/Visa donations		\$100.00	\$25.00		
Teacher/Other Requests - as much as \$2,380	\$1,380.00	\$1,500.00		Steve and Carol Hart			\$2,500.00	one time. Wonderful!	
Art's Night	\$1,015.00	\$1,015.00							
Personal Best Awards	0	\$1,000.00		<i>Corporate Donors</i>					
				Sierra Tel	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00		Arts Night	
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$9,152.26</b>	<b>\$13,215.00</b>	<b>\$252.42</b>	Tavis Corp				up to \$1,000 specific requests	
<i>Administrative Costs</i>				Aramark				3500 from DNC in past years	
Photocopies	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$47.55	Yosemite Bank	\$500.00	\$500.00		Passport to Success	
Special Printings - Banners, flyers, tickets	\$184.00	\$200.00							
Ads - Media outlets, yearbook	\$300.00	\$300.00						\$2,525.00	
Postage, envelopes, office depot, fliers (S of G)	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$93.55						
Subscriptions (domain name, etc)	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00						
Insurance	\$569.00	\$600.00							
Mariposa Chamber of Commerce*	\$100.00	\$100.00						*membership fee	
Fees	\$50.00	\$0.00	-\$59.70						
PO Box	\$64.00	\$64.00							
Name badges		\$48.90	\$48.90						
California State- Statement of Information bi-annually	\$20.00	\$20.00							
<b>Subtotal admin. costs</b>	<b>\$1,727.00</b>	<b>\$1,772.90</b>	<b>\$145.30</b>						
<i>Special One Time Costs not covered elsewhere</i>									
Ceiling tiles	\$4,125.00								
Display Case-Dayhoff	\$630.00			<i>Grants</i>					
Digital Marquee	\$2,400.00			Mariposa Comm Foundation	\$436.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	Web design and bus cards	
Div C Parks and Rec (?)	\$350.00								
Website creation and updated business cards	\$436.00								
Computer cables, lock boxes, frames for partner certs	\$160.00								
<b>TOTAL Events and Requests and Admin</b>	<b>\$10,879.26</b>	<b>\$14,987.90</b>	<b>\$397.72</b>	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$13,768.00</b>	<b>\$10,100.00</b>	<b>\$3,950.00</b>		
				<i>Expenses minus income (savings needed to supplement)</i>			\$11,037.90		
				<b>Current savings minus outstanding checks</b>			<b>\$19,806.68</b>		
Auditorium seating fund	\$300			Current savings minus Auditorium seating fund			\$19,506.68		
				<i>Remaining savings</i>			<b>\$8,468.78</b>		





**Season of Giving**

**Last year:**

100 letters sent out, Facebook posts, e-newsletter mentions

17 responses

\$1,680 total donations

**This year so far:**

Close to 150 letter sent out, articles in the Gazette and SST, e-newsletter mention

14 responses so far

\$1,425 total donations so far

We will do another advertising push in next e-newsletter, for Giving Tuesday (Tuesday after Thanksgiving), and near the end of the year.

*Anyone else you can send letters to?*

Debbie Leonard, MCHS Physical Education Teacher  
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Linda Fipps, MCHS Physical Education Teacher  
[lfipps@mcusd.org](mailto:lfipps@mcusd.org)  
(209)742-0269 x2219

***T-Shirts for Cross Age Physical Education***

At Mariposa County High School the Physical Education Department offers a class that teaches Physical Education to the Mariposa Elementary Students. Currently we have 18 MCHS students and 12 MES teachers that are participating. Therefore with 12 MES teachers participating there is approximately 250 MES students give or take.

Last year was our first year offering this class. At that time we only had 4 MES teachers. As you can see the program was quite a success, and we are so proud of our students. A concern that the MES teachers had was how some of our MCHS students were dressed. Of course being two different grade levels our dress code policy is definitely different then MES dress code policy, and that could definitely cause some hurt feelings. Debbie Leonard came up with a perfect solution of purchasing T-Shirts for our students to wear when teaching the elementary students.

This would help in two different ways: 1) It would take care of any dress code issues. 2) It would help to identify to the MES teachers and students whom the MCHS students are and whom they are to follow for that day.

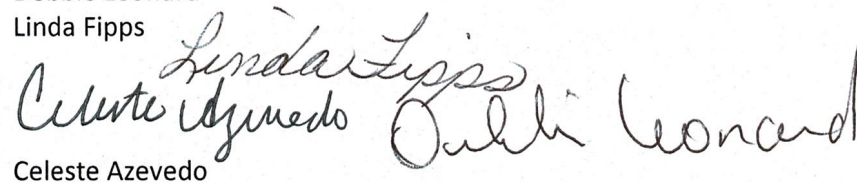
Unfortunately we do not have a budget for this class. So we were hoping that ABC would help us to purchase T-Shirts. 20 shirts would be sufficient for us to get started. Hopefully we can purchase several different sizes and keep them in our office so the students can put them on everyday and to help reduce the chances of the students leaving them at home. Also Mr. Dormer's class can wash them for us in his workability class. Therefore they would be cleaned each week. That would also help with not having to purchase new T-Shirts each semester as well as utilizing the Workability Class.

The MCHS Physical Education department has not requested funds from Mariposa Academic Boosters in the past. Any help that you can give to us would be appreciated.

If ABC is willing to help us with the funding we would love to order these T-Shirts as soon as possible, as Cross Age MCHS students have already begun to teach the MES students. We believe that \$400 would be sufficient funding.

Thank you so very much for your consideration of helping out our Cross Age students.

Debbie Leonard  
Linda Fipps

  
Celeste Azevedo

Note: The request comes out to \$20/shirt. They plan to order shirts from the people who made the Detwiler shirts - the Lawson's.



## **Mariposa Academic Boosters Club, Inc. Grant Application Guidelines**

*The Mission of ABC is to supplement and enrich academic experiences and provide updated educational tools for Mariposa County High School students.*

All MCHS staff and any organizations supporting MCHS students are welcome to request funds from ABC. When requesting funds, please provide the following information in order for ABC to make a funding decision:

Person/Organization requesting funds: **Trish Gilger**

Requestor's job title: **Founder, MyIP**

Contact information: **pamoewe40@hotmail.com**

Title of proposal: **MCHS to Splash at Berkeley**

Describe the project for which you are requesting funds. Include how the project/program fits with ABC's mission.

**Splash at Berkeley brings local high school students to the University of California, Berkeley campus for a day of unlimited MCHS student enrolled (choice) classes on UC Berkeley campus. Participating students will be taking courses in both conventional and unconventional subjects taught by Berkeley Community Members and UC Berkeley/Stanford University Staff, Faculty, and Graduate Students. The goal is to build a unique educational environment not found within the standard MCUSD school curriculum and exposing them to life on a University Campus. Students are exposed to topics that they wouldn't normally have access to and are empowered to take ownership of their education. They also get to check out what a college campus and classrooms look like, feel the vibe of a college campus, and hopefully become inspired and motivated to continue on to higher education, whether it be at Berkeley or elsewhere. This all fits perfectly with ABC's mission to supplement and enhance academic experiences. This year's Splash is happening Saturday, November 4th, from 9am to 5pm.**

**Through MyIP, I have reached out to Splash at Berkeley. They are willing to waive the \$20 fee per student associated with the program and the \$5 fee per student for lunch. We just need to provide the students transportation. Via Trailways has reduced the cost (donated a portion of the cost) of a 54 passenger charter bus bringing the cost from Mariposa High School to the UC Berkeley to \$1400. Mercy**

**ambulance owner, Rick Roesch has donated ½ the remaining cost of the bus, \$700. I am requesting ABC to match Rick's donated dollars of \$700 covering the remaining cost of transportation**

Does the project influence the social/emotional well-being of students? If so, how? (Not required, but helps ABC determine source of funding.)

**Going to Berkeley with other students for this program will be exciting and a chance for students to bond. Getting out to new places and experiencing new things is good emotionally for students.**

How many students will benefit? For how long? **The bus can hold 50 students. It is a day trip.**

Amount requested. Please provide supporting documentation – budget and details from where the items would be purchased. **I am requesting \$700 from ABC.**

Are there other sources of funding for this project? **I have secured funding for the other half of the cost of the bus.**

Have you received funds from ABC before? If yes, for what, when, and how much? **MyIP has not requested funding from ABC before.**

Is the request time sensitive? If so, when is the funding needed? **Yes, the request is time sensitive. I would need an answer ASAP to make arrangements with MCHS and with Splash at Berkeley for the trip to happen. I would need the funding by the day of the trip, November 4.**

Please have Principal Azevedo sign your application. This will signal to us that she has reviewed your application, is supportive, and that there are no alternative funding sources.

Please send your application to:

Jill Harry, Board Chair  
Academic Boosters Club, Inc  
abc.mchs@gmail.com or PO Box 1292, Mariposa, CA 95338

ABC Grant Application:

Adam Finney  
MCHS English  
[afinney@mcusd.org](mailto:afinney@mcusd.org)

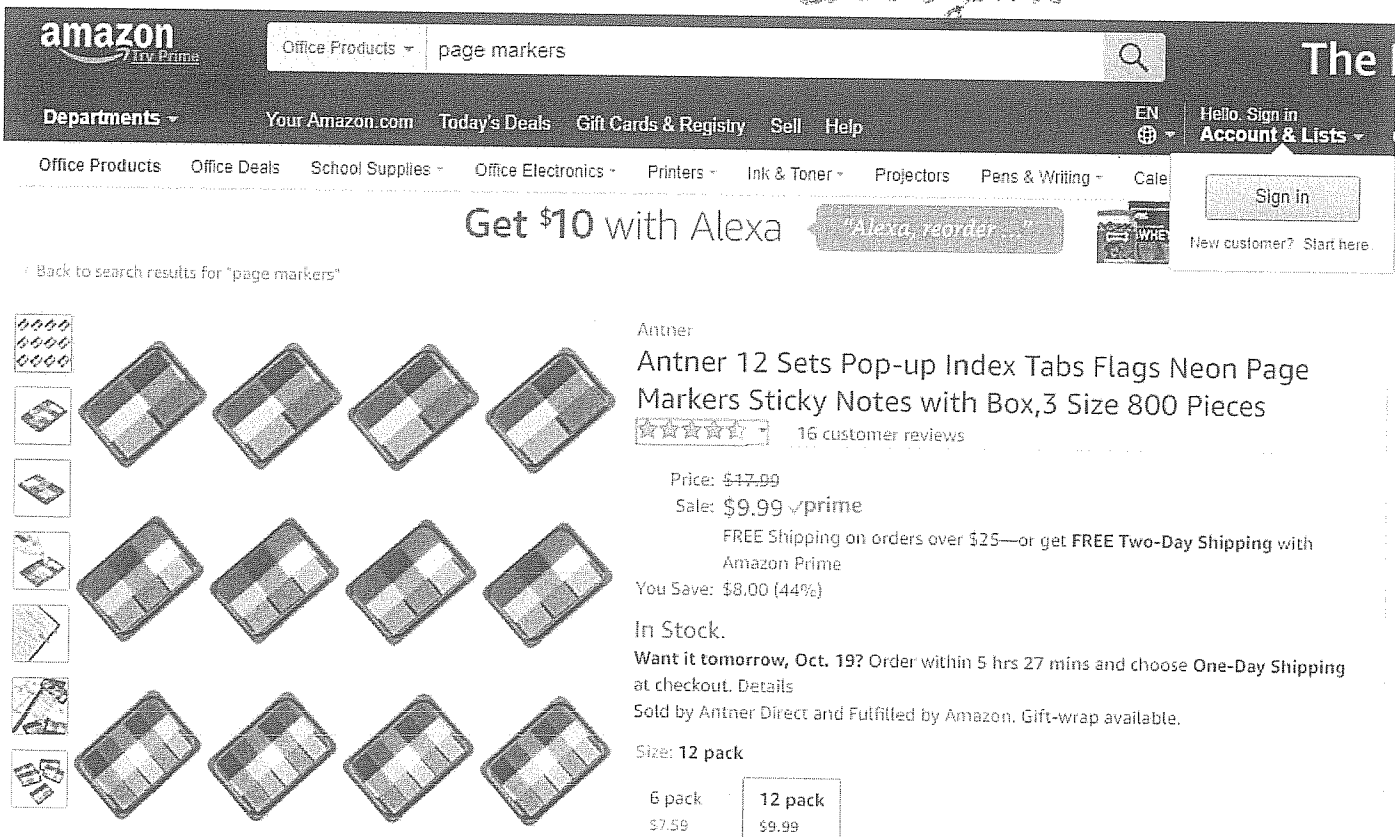
This funding project will benefit roughly 65 kids. I am purchasing translucent, colored page marker tabs to teach students how to annotate by character, motif, plot/conflict point etc. I did not learn how to do this color annotation until I went to college, and it is very helpful for organizing notes and highlighted material, available at a quick glance and ready to be used in papers, discussions, etc.

I have not applied for an ABC grant before. Although these tabs are consumable, I think they will provide long lasting study habits and immediate support for the Honors English 10 and AP Language students.

This request is time sensitive as I have been purchasing (what I can afford of these) tabs for my 2 classes and have already spent around \$30. I would like to make sure every student has enough to get through the year. My estimate is around \$250 worth. Students will use these for the rest of the school year in the Honors / Dual Enrollment and AP Language classes.

Signed:  Adam Finney

Signed:  Celeste Azevedo



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## 2017-2018 Career Lunch Speakers

Date	Speaker	Topic
September 14	Tony Borreson, Mariposa Airport Manager	Careers in Aviation and Aeronautics
October 12	Don Costa, Costa Livos Olive Oil	Entrepreneurship
November 9	Greg Little, Editor, Mariposa Gazette	
December 14	Dallin Kimble, Mariposa County CAO	Jobs in public administration
January 11		
February 8	Jonathan Harry, MD	Paths to becoming a medical doctor
March 8	Penny Otwell	How to make a living as an artist
April 12		
May 10		

Cara Goger, Director of Arts Council; Kevin Cann, How to run a campaign

***Past speakers:***

<b>Date</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Topic</b>
5/3	Dondi Lawrence	Merced College opportunities
4/1	Samuel Bolton	Blue Ridge Services - drone demo
3/1	Adam Burns	How to make a living being a musician
2/1/17	Chris Boehm	Careers in Law Enforcement
12/7/16	Erik Westerlund, Park Ranger, Yosemite National Park	Careers in the National Park Service
11/2/16	Miroslava Torres, CSU Stanislaus.	Pathways to teaching careers
10/5/16	Kristen Fournier, RN and Gonzo Tafoya, RN, John C. Fremont Health Care District	Health Professions

5/4/16	Joe Rabon, Vice President of Human Resources, Aramark	Careers in Human Resources
4/6/16	UC Merced students	How to prepare for college
3/2/16	Gara Villalba, Associate Project Scientist, School of Engineering, UC Merced	Multidiscipline careers
2/3/16	Angelina Brouillette, Local Veterinarian	The path to becoming a veterinarian
1/13/16	Steven Bumgardner, Filmmaker	His path to making films
12/2/15	Heather Ream, Cartographer	Careers in Cartography
11/4/15	Percy Whatley, Regional Executive Chef in Yosemite National Park	His path to becoming a chef
10/15	Jeff Laird, Engineer, MCHS graduate	Pathways to becoming an engineer