> MCHS Academic Boosters Club Agenda January 11, 2019
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MCHS Academic Boosters Club
Meeting Minutes
November 30, 2018
11:30 AM
MCHS Rm 56
Board members present: Jill Harry (chair/secretary); Ruth Smiley (vice chair), Naoko Kada (arrived at11:50), Amy Schneckenburger (on speakerphone), Dave James, Tara Schiff

Board members absent: Leigh Westerlund (treasurer)
Public: Kathleen Leonard, Lordelyn del Rosario
I. Call to order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 11:30 AM.
II. Approval of minutes from November 2 meeting Dave moved to approve the minutes; Amy seconded the motion. All in favor, no one opposed. Motion carried.
III. Business and Finance
A. Oct Treasurer's Report

Tabled until next meeting.
B. 2018-2019 Budget Overview

Jill will ask Leigh to update the following: Add Winter Dance Party to expenses. On the income side, change Fall - Savoury's to Winter Dance Party; add \#GivingTuesday with an actual of $\$ 1,065$; change Season of Giving campaign to Letter campaign with a total so far of $\$ 1,075$. Jill also reported that she received a call from our Anonymous Donor confirming that we will be receiving $\$ 3,000$ from our donor again this year. Great news!

## IV. Fundraising

A. Season of Giving Campaign

We have received donations of $\$ 1,075$ so far through this letter campaign. Jill had more letter packets to hand out to those who wanted more. She also shared the list of who had donated to date. The campaign lasts through the end of the year.
B. \#GivingTuesday November 27, 2018

ABC raised $\$ 1,065$ through this Facebook fundraiser. We did not receive any matching dollars as Facebook and PayPal only matched the first $\$ 7$ million raised and altogether, $\$ 125$ million was raised. (We'll have to figure out how to donate at 5 AM next year in order to have any chance at matching funds.)
C. Dance Party fundraiser

Naoko and Ruth checked out the Red Bud Room at the Fairgrounds and think it looks like a good space for this fundraiser. It includes a full kitchen that we can use and a separate room that can be used for BlackJack (and roulette and craps if we can find dealers). Costs: $\$ 200$ for the room, plus .50 per chair (taken out of security deposit), plus utilities. It was discussed that we probably won't need many chairs - just for in the gambling room - since it is a dance party. Insurance is $\$ 320$.

We decided: Friday, Feb 8, would be the best date; $\$ 20$ admission, includes 1 drink ticket; $\$ 20$ buy-in for gambling chips. Those with the most chips at the designated time will receive gift baskets. Cash bar and small plate options.

Tara will look into donations of beer, wine, and hard cider from various local businesses; Kathleen will check with The Alley. Ruth will be in charge of the food. Jill will check in again with Buz Arnold regarding Ag Foods and Processing involvement and will introduce Ruth and Buz to each other. If they are available, ABC would give Ag Foods up to $\$ 100$ for ingredients. Dave will look for potential dealers.

Tara will make the flyer. We'll have tickets since some people might buy tickets even if they don't come. Kathleen will check about selling tickets at The Alley; Tara will check with the Visitor Center. Tara thinks we sold tickets online through Fandango for past events.
D. Yosemite Schools Annual Grant Program (dollar donation program)

Amy's contact is not optimistic about the chance of ABC receiving any funding through the dollar donation program this year. There is a pot of money, but the application was due last May and those in charge of the program haven't shown any interest in the requests from other nonprofits received after this date. Amy's contact is more optimistic about our chances for next school year given the opportunities we have been discussing with Aramark. More on those opportunities further down in the agenda.

Amy said we could still try to request donations through Aramark. They are more favorable to requests for items (Taste of Yosemite dinner tickets, etc) rather than giving cash. Amy will check to see if there is a best time of year to ask for in-kind donations and who to address the ask to.
E. Grizzly Got Your Tongue second night fundraiser Bryan Starchman responded to Jill saying that the night after his scheduled March 16 event would be the best for a second night fundraiser on behalf of ABC. He said he would think about this over Thanksgiving Break. Jill will touch base with him again.
F. Find Your Z committee update

The committee gave a report at our last meeting and has not met again since then. Scheduling a date and building out the list of speakers depends on Cody Wichman's availability. Tara will reach out to Kevin Cann who knows both Cody and his father very well, about contacting Cody and securing a couple of dates that work for him, and will get this information to Ruth and Jill as soon as she knows. Jill will then check dates with Amber Ramsey at MCHS to see which would be best.

## V. Programs

A. Career Lunches

Last month's Career Lunch featured Scott Carpenter of Tavis Corporation. Pizza Factory didn't see our pizza order until Jill arrived to pick it up so it wasn't even started, but they put it together quickly and Jill was able to deliver it to the Learning Center before students had to leave for their next class, so it all worked out. We discussed mixing it up with a different lunch option the next time we have a smaller group of students. If there's close to 40, stick with pizza, but if it's closer to 10, we'll try another option.
i. Dec 13, Anita Starchman-Bryant

Tara has see the flyer to Anita for approval. She will get it to Kathleen and Jill for advertising probably by the end of the day. The deadline for the MCHS weekly e-newsletter is Thursday, but Kathleen will see if she can get it in this Sunday's anyway.
ii. Schedule of speakers

The schedule is set through the end of the year, barring any last minute changes that do sometimes happen.
B. Community Connections

Kathleen reported that Sierra Quest has done two rounds of trainings with potential mentors and that the second training went a little deeper than MCHS intended, giving mentors information about what to do with behavioral/foster issues, scaring some of the mentors. MCHS plans to match mentors with students who don't have behavioral problems, but rather students who normally fly under the radar and would benefit from having an adult from our 20190111 ABC meeting packet
community paying them some attention. Celeste and Kathleen plan to meet with mentors on Tuesday at 1 to allay fears and answer any questions. Jill will join this meeting to hear what is said. Kathleen said the school already has some students in mind to pair with mentors and they hope to start doing this in the next few weeks.
C. Aramark/YPHS/MCHS field trip opps in January and future opps

Recently, Amy arranged for Jill to attend a meeting in YNP with Sean Jacobs, Kathleen, and a few Aramark representatives. The notes from that meeting were included in the meeting packet. The first opportunity is a field trip for one group of students to meet with management of various Aramark departments (could be HR, Housekeeping/Hospitality, Accounting, or any number of other areas) and another group of students to go on an Art Walk. The Art Walks are put together by YNP personnel so Amy will check into this to see if it's a possibility. Kathleen reported that Jan 29 looks like the best date for the field trip. She will check with Aramark to see if this date works for them. All agreed that ABC would be willing to pay for the bus for this field trip, which will cost approximately $\$ 260$. The bus holds 70 people, so this could be for up to 65 students, plus chaperones.

We will not mention the "shadowing" opportunity that may be the next step after the field trip, available for up to 8 students, $16+$ years of age, until after details have been worked out between Aramark and MCHS. Celeste told Kathleen that MCHS would not need to arrange rides for students for this opportunity, but rather could help facilitate rides. Celeste also said that the shadowing could take place during school days. Jill noted that the shadowing opportunity could be once a month or as frequently as once a week, and that many students (and their parents!) would probably not want to miss that much school. Aramark said that Saturdays would work, so why not do Saturdays? Also, while MCHS might not have to provide transportation, we'd probably get more interest if they did, and maybe this would be possible if we received money from Aramark's dollar donation program.

In addition to these opportunities, Amy has been in touch with Sabrina Diaz who is the coordinator for the Conservancy in the park. She would like to explore opportunities for management internships and fellowships that could be available for students beginning in ninth grade. Fellowships would be in the summer. In ninth grade, students could have a broad focus and in tenth, they can start narrowing their focus. Sabrina would like to have monthly meetings in the park starting in January with Sean Jacobs, Kathleen, Jill, and someone she has in mind to coordinate this on their end. Sean is in the park on Tuesdays. Jill and Kathleen said Tuesdays will work for them. Amy will work on arranging this.

If we can make some of these opportunities come to fruition or close to fruition by May, we will have a better chance of securing funds through Aramark's dollar donation program when that application is due in May.

## VI. Other

A. PE requirement on MCUSD Board Agenda for Dec 13

As mentioned at the last meeting, Jill has heard this will be an agenda item for discussion at the Dec 13 board meeting. Celeste is in favor of matching state requirements and will present on the topic. Open session starts at 5:30 PM. Jill knows that Celeste sent a note to MCHS staff alerting them that $A B C$ had written a letter. Jill does not know if anyone is opposed and, if so, it they will be organizing to be at this meeting. She thinks it would be best for $A B C$ members to be at the meeting in a show of support. She also sent a note to all of our co-signers letting them know of the meeting date. Jill will let everyone know as soon as she sees the agenda and confirms this is indeed an item that will be discussed Dec 13.
B. Mandarin Chinese class update

Leigh sent an email to Celeste and Brian Moczygemba. Jill does not have a further update.

## C. Archery class update

As discussed last meeting, Naoko gave material to Trace DeSandres. Celeste said PE teachers would discuss the opportunity a one of their staff meetings. Jill does not have a further update.
D. Photocopying - parent volunteer/paid student update

The parent who volunteered has not responded to Kathleen's emails. Kathleen asked Celeste about ABC paying a students. Celeste suggested it would be better for $A B C$ to give a student a gift certificate for some amount based on number of times they perform photocopying. Jill will work with Kathleen on an application and announcement to students regarding this opportunity.
E. Concern re vaping and drug use at high school update We had much discussion around this. In the end, we decided: Ruth will contact Chevon Kothari, head of Mariposa County Health and Human Services, and Ginnie Day, head of the Tobacco Coalition, and maybe someone from Heritage House about who might be a dynamic person that kids would relate to for Ruth to interview for her "Out of the Box" KRYZ radio show, delving into the subject and encouraging kids not to do this. She will record it most likely in January and could save it for a future time, to coincide with an all-school assembly on the topic if we can arrange that. Kathleen will talk to Celeste about the possibility of an all-school assembly arranged by ABC. Lordelyn would then write an article that would highlight the radio show and the all-school assembly.

## F. Thank you note from Blake Atkins

This month's packet included a thank you note from Blake Atkins to ABC for hosting the Valedictorian Dinner. Jill apologized to all for the delay in sharing this very thoughtful note.
VII. Open Forum

There were no topics for open forum.
VIII. Set Date,Time, and Location for Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Friday, January 11, at 11:30 AM.
IX. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 PM.

ABC Treasurer's Report for

Beginning balance
Ending balance

Total deposits

Total withdrawals
486
487

October

9/30/2018 \$ 20,399.72
10/31/2018 \$ 20,255.28
\$140.91
\$140.91 Paypal balance transfer
(\$285.35)
(\$180.48) Pathos shirt order
(\$104.87) Pizza Factory Career Lunch

ABC Treasurer's Report for
Beginning balance
Ending balance
Total deposits
November
10/31/2018 \$ 20,255.28
11/30/2018 \$ 20,127.74
\$0.00
\$0.00

Total withdrawals

490
(\$127.54)
( $\$ 50.00$ ) USPS - stamps for fundraising lett $\epsilon$ (\$77.54) Pizza Factory Career Lunch

ABC Treasurer's Report for

Beginning balance
Ending balance

Total deposits

Total withdrawals
488
491
492

December

11/30/2018 \$ 20,127.74
12/31/2018 \$ 21,071.57
\$1,115.00
\$1,115.00 Facebook Giving Tuesday
(\$171.17)
(\$86.20) Combs Printing copies for Season 1
(\$64.97) Pizza Factory Career Lunch
(\$20.00) USPS - stamps for thank you letter


Dear Academic Boosters,

I am writing you to see if you would be interested in helping support the Academic Decathlon for another year. This year we have an energetic group of students who are interested in competing in February at the Tuolumne county competition. In the past you have helped with the cost of the hotel. I haven't booked anything yet, but am finding that I need to get this done.

We will be 4 students and myself as the coach attending for a one night stay. We will need three rooms. As you can see, this request is a little time sensitive, since we will be leaving for the competition on February ind. I am sure the cost will not exceed $\$ 360$ for the group.

Thank you for considering supporting us.
Sincerely,


Alex Keeton

Attachment F cont. FYI, info on what the Decathlon is all about. This year's theme is the 1960s. If we choose to fund, this will be our third year. $\$ 860$ the first time, $\$ 513$ second time.


This year's academic decathlon students are: Samantha Norman, Ava Dunlavey, Ruby Yager, Tyler Mangan, Kae Kimbro, Hannah Swiecki, Dakota Petrich and (not pictured) Jeremiaha Godinez. Submitted photo

## Boosters club donates toward HS decathlon

$\$ 513$ donated to make trip
I January 25, 2018

As so often happens, a group in Mariposa County has stepped up to provide opportunities for the youth of the area.

The Mariposa County High School Academic Boosters Club recently granted teacher Kim Monson $\$ 513$ to help take students to a regional decathlon in Sonora.

It will be held in early February. The students will compete in categories including art, music, literature, math, science, economics and history.

They are also required to give a speech, be interviewed and write an essay. The three best from each GPA category go on to compete at the state competition in Sacramento later in 2018.
The Academic Decathlon program is annual and open to all MCHS students. The team must have students in three different GPA categories (3.75 and above; 3.0 to 3.74 ; below 3.0) and only academic classes count.

Every year has a different theme; this year's theme is Africa. College admissions officers say Academic Decathlon is the top extra-curricular activity for college admissions. Materials studied in academic decathlon often show up in college classes. Students who participate develop study and time management skills.

Yosemite Bank
Attn: Matthew Foraker
Vice President
5171 Highway 49
Mariposa, CA 95338
January 14, 2019
Dear Mr. Foraker:
Thank you for Yosemite Bank's generous 2018 donation of $\$ 500$ to Mariposa Academic Boosters Club, Inc. (ABC) in support of our UC Merced Lab Tours program for MCHS students. This program provides Mariposa County High School students an opportunity to sign up for labs that are of interest to them, visit the University of California, Merced, to see the labs and participate in hands-on activities with UC staff. The goal is to inspire students to continue their studies into fields related to science and engineering. This year's tours are happening March 5.

ABC's budget for this program is $\$ 500$ for transportation, lanyards for the students, and incidentals. Would Yosemite Bank be interested in providing a 2019 tax-deductible contribution for this program?

ABC would gladly list Yosemite Bank as a sponsor on the application form given to students, in any announcements, and in information sent to the press. We would also include Yosemite Bank's logo on the lanyards We also have a full-featured web site on which Yosemite Bank is, and will continue to be, listed on our Sponsor page.

Your donation also will help ABC focus other resources on: monthly Career Lunches where students hear career advice from local professionals while enjoying a complimentary lunch; California Scholarship Federation annual field trip; Valedictorian Dinner at Savoury's; the annual Academic Letters Ceremony, teacher requests, and another new program, Community Connections, which pairs adult mentors with students who could use a (or another) positive adult role model in their lives for whatever reason. These are a sampling of the programs for which Mariposa families depend on ABC.

Thank you in advance for your support.
Sincerely,

Jill Harry
Chair

## MCHS Academic Boosters Club

presents a

# Winter Dance Party <br> <br> The Red Bud Room Mariposa County Fairgrounds 

 <br> <br> The Red Bud RoomMariposa County Fairgrounds
} Friday, February 8, 2019
6:00-10:00 p.m.

- Purchase tickets at Mariposa County Visitor Center, The Alley, Pony Espresso or purchase at the door.

Proceeds benefit Academic Boosters Club projects, includifg
Career Lunches, UC Merced Lab Tours, and funding teacher request
Our mission is to supplement and enrich academic experiences and provide updated educational tools for Mariposa County High School students.

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Follow us on Twitter \& Instagram: mchs_abc

## Dance Party Checklist

I know a lot of these are underway, but will want to confirm and finalize at the meeting:

- advertisement - Facebook, flyers, Gazette and SST articles, Chamber, etc
- rental agreement/insurance
- pick up leftover tickets/money from Pony, Chamber, The Alley (Naoko will do)
- alcohol donations
- alcohol license?
- taking money for entry, twenty-one chips, drinks, food
- Jill has three lock boxes
- use tickets?
- Leigh, money from bank to use as change
- credit card reader
- Ruth - food, helper to take orders?
- who will serve drinks
- paper products
- dealers (offer free entry and drink ticket)
- getting tables from Deb
- prizes for games
- decorations from ASB
- Set up
- Donor recognition
- Thank you flyers in stands on tables (Jill has stands)
- Thank you in Gazette and SST
- Thank you cards in mail
- take down/clean up
- theme for DJs?
- counting money at the end (should be two people)
- storing gaming tables after the event
- Other items?


## Thursday Jan. Io th CAREER LUNCH

## Are you interested in a culinary career or

 just being an entrepreneur? Have you ever considered opening your own restaurant/business? Hanna and her husband, Jake Wackerman, a graduate of Mariposa County High School, met in San Luis Obispo. Hanna was studying business and knew she wanted to be an entrepreneur. She just didn't know exactly what type of business she would own. In 2013, Jake and Hanna opened 1850 Restaurant and have now expanded their successful restaurant to selling merchandise and more. Join us for a very enlightening Career Lunch as we hear from Hanna about her career path and
 the unique experiences that led to the success of 1850 Restaurant.

> Sign up at the Counseling office by Wednesday, January 9 th. FREE LUNCH to the first 40 students who sign up.

| Month | Day | Sitle | Career Path |  |
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| September | 13 | Anthony Rios | Information Technology Supervisor | IT |
| October | 11 | Scott Carpenter | Tavis Corp |  |
| November | 15 | Aick Lambert | Owner, Lambert Technical Services | Aerospace engineering |
| December | 13 | Anita Starchman-Bryant | Starchman \& Bryant, Attorneys at Law | Entrepreneur |
| January | 10 | Hannah Wackerman | Owner, 1850 Restaurant | Attorney |
| February | 14 | Klaus Tanenbergen | Dean, Columbia College | Culinary |
| March | 14 | Andrew Blackfoot Glikin | Raw Roots Farm | Academia |
| April | 11 | Paul Koubek | Guide and Outdoor Leader | Agriculture |
| May | 9 | Seth Nitcshe | Mariposa Ranch Grass Fed Beef | Outdoor Recreation |



