



MCHS Academic Boosters Club Agenda

Feb 21, 2023

5:30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

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MCHS Academic Boosters Club
Minutes
Jan 24, 2023
5:30 PM, Zoom

Board members present: Jill Harry (chair/secretary), Ruth Smiley (vice chair), Leigh Westerland (treasurer), Tara Schiff

Board member absent: Lordelyn Del Rosario

Public: Maria DePrano, Collette Cole, Celeste Azevedo (left after Item 2)

I. Call to order

Jill called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM.

II. WASC process and request for input (Celeste)

It's a WASC accreditation year for MCHS. This is supposed to happen every six years, but due to Covid, it's been eight years since the last one. The purpose is to prove that MCHS meets the rigor of other California high schools. This helps students when they are applying to colleges. One part of the process is self-analysis. This section includes input from stakeholders, including parents, members of organizations like ABC, and community members. Celeste presented a draft list of questions and asked ABC for feedback regarding the best way to solicit feedback to an upcoming final list of questions: in person town hall type meetings or through an online survey. All agreed an online survey would be the best. Tara suggested that the high school send out a survey via Survey Monkey rather than Google Docs as not everyone has access to Google Docs. Celeste will look into this. It was also suggested the survey questions be as simple as possible. If there are some yes/no answers, for instance, provide boxes to check rather than typing.

Maria mentioned that UC Merced went through an accreditation process maybe two years ago and might be a good resource. She will send Celeste contact information. Celeste said reaching out to higher ed contacts is a good point. She will reach out to educators participating with MCHS through Career Tech and Dual Enrollment programs.

Celeste will send out the survey in the next week or so and there will be a two week window to respond. The high school must have its WASC document finalized by March 1. *If anyone would like to review WASC application chapters, chapters 1-3 of 5 are currently available. Let Celeste know.*

WASC representatives will be on campus April 24, 25, and 26 to conduct focus groups. If anyone would like to participate, please let Celeste know.

III. Approval of minutes from Dec 13 meeting

Leigh moved to approve the minutes. Tara seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

IV. Business and Finance

A. Dec Treasurer's Report

ABC started with a balance of \$22,781.02 on November 30, 2022. We had income of \$10,447.46 throughout the month of December thanks to our end-of-year donation campaigns and our anonymous donor. We had one withdrawal of \$446.17 for a Career Lunch. The balance on December 31 was \$32,782.31.

Jill moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Ruth seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

B. 2022-2023 Budget Overview

Jill mentioned she believed AAUW is planning on holding Dinner with a Scientist this spring. She will check in. She mentioned that for Valedictorian Dinner, there are currently 21 students on this path. We'll discuss this later in the meeting. Regarding donations, our Anonymous Donor and Health and Human Services Agency both came through for us in amounts greater than anticipated. This is especially welcome given that both our Season of Giving letter and Facebook Giving Tuesday campaigns didn't perform as strongly as budgeted. Jill noted that ABC's account balance has dropped off the report. Leigh will look into this and fix it.

C. Letter to Premier Valley Bank

Jill drafted a letter to Premier Valley Bank, but given that the bank has not donated the past few years and that they are a good fit with On the Right Track, she questioned whether it might be better to not send the letter and instead have Tara approach them with the On the Right Track sponsorship option. Tara noted that the bank has changed hands twice in the past few years. In the past six months, it has changed to a division of HTLF. Matt is no longer there and it is not as local as they used to be. Jill will not send the letter. Tara will reach out to the new management and introduce herself and the On the Right Track program.

V. Programs

A. Career Lunch

- Thursday, Jan 12 results - Andy Carter, MCHS grad, Mariposa County

We had a full house for this one. All the students who signed up were there, plus a few students who didn't order lunch came and stayed. Andy described his college experience, multiple jobs around the country, as well as his current job at the County. This all went over well with students.

- Thursday, Feb 9 planning

Zach at Sticks had to cancel. Keeping with the entrepreneurial theme, Tara asked Travis and Melissa from Little House of Ramen. Travis will be the main speaker and Melissa will also be there to answer questions. By the end of our meeting, Travis confirmed with Tara that they will speak and provide ramen at our \$10/person budget. Given this, Tara will try to get info to Collette by Friday so that she can start publicizing on Monday.

- future schedule

Both Tara and Ruth mentioned Nate at The Grove House as a potential future speaker. In addition to the restaurant/bar (maybe not appropriate for high school students)/music venue, Nate has been active as a liaison for booking bands, not just for The Grove House but for a lot of venues.

For March, Tara is pursuing Nathan Savig's wife who does hiring for Yosemite park service. It will depend on where she is with her maternity leave; April might be a bio medical person; May, Rick Blaloch, IT. If any of these are unable to make it, Tara has a number of other ideas of whom to pursue.

B. On the Right Track

Tara has a date from Collette. The event will be for juniors and seniors per the high school's request (and held every other year). Tara will let her colleagues from Calaveras know. Tara will start to look through materials and will talk to the new management at Premier Valley Bank as one of the potential participants. Tara will let us know when she needs help.

C. Valedictorian Dinner

Jill spoke briefly with Nate and confirmed we can hold the event at The Grove House. The current number of students on the valedictorian tract is 21. Collette will get Jill a few potential dates. Once Jill has this, she will meet with Nate to settle on the date and discuss some details, including making sure he is aware of the potential the number of people (84 students plus guests, speaker and guest, Celeste, MC, and helpers). Jill will have more information at the next meeting.

VI. Recruiting future board members

A. Letter to 7th/8th grade parents - asking schools to distribute

In addition to Jill and Tara stepping down at the end of the school year, Ruth would also like to leave the board. Ruth is willing to stay on the board for a little while until new members are comfortable. Now we need to find new members.

All agreed the letter looks fine for sending to all school principals to see if they can distribute electronically for us. Katie was in touch with Jill and said she will distribute it at Woodland.

This was followed by a general discussion about meeting days and times, in person versus virtual, frequency of meetings, what we used to do, ideas on what maybe we should do in the future, and how we might be able to engage potential future members. All agreed it is difficult to find a time that works for everyone. It was suggested that we hold some in person meetings or events at different times and at different places in an attempt to engage new members. No decisions were made.

VII. Open Forum

Collette mentioned she was taking all freshman on a field trip to CSU Fresno the next day and there will be an additional higher ed field trip, school to be determined, open to all grade levels sometime this school year. The idea is that this kind of exposure encourages students, including those who might not have been thinking about applying to colleges. Collette believes these will become annual field trips. Currently, she believes they are fully funded, but noted that this is the type of event ABC could be asked to help with in the future.

Ruth noted that she had mentioned to Travis and Melissa the idea of holding a Day of the Dead party at their location and Travis and Melissa were interested. It would be around November 3 of next year. As we are talking with them about other things, we might mention this again and get confirmation.

Maria noted that UC Merced's last keynote speaker, Duvall Johnson, graduated from MCHS and works for NASA's jet propulsion lab. Maria was impressed with his graduation speech - he was very engaging. She thinks he lives in Pasadena and she doesn't know how often he gets to Mariposa or if he still has family here, but Maria was thinking about him for a Career Lunch. Given the short time frame of Career Lunches and preferring to have people in person, it was mentioned he might be a better and great fit for Valedictorian Dinner speaker. Maria will get his email address to Jill.

Maria mentioned that UC Merced has some stand out librarians. One might be a good future Career Lunch speaker to talk about library sciences and archivists.

VIII. Set Date, Time, and Location for Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be Feb 21 at 5:30 PM via Zoom. Ruth will be unable to attend.

IX. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

ABC Treasurer's Report for		Jan-22			
Beginning balance	12/31/22	\$	32,782.31		
Ending balance	1/30/23	\$	32,697.31		
Total deposits		\$	355.22		
	12/30/22		\$9.22	Steph Evans donation - must be monthly	
	1/18/23		\$346.00	\$46 from Harry's for career lunch reimbursement, \$300 in donations	
Total withdrawals			(\$440.22)		
	624	1/18/23	(\$140.08)	Jill reimbursement	
	592	1/25/23	(\$300.14)	1850 Career lunch	

FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 BUDGET										
MCHS ACADEMIC BOOSTER CLUB										
ANNUAL EXPENSES	FY22 ACTUAL	FY23 BUDGET	FY23 YTD ACTUAL	ANNUAL INCOME	FY22 ACTUAL	FY23 BUDGET	FY23 YTD ACTUAL	Notes		
<i>Events and Requests</i>				<i>Fundraisers</i>						
Dinner with a Scientist (AAUW)		\$ (600.00)		Dance Party		\$ 2,500				
Career Lunches		\$ (3,000.00)	\$ (1,336.89)	Year end season of giving	\$ 2,779	\$ 2,700	\$ 2,395			
Academic Achievement Night		\$ (500.00)		Facebook Giving Tuesday	\$ 675	\$ 600	\$ 317			
Valedictorian Dinner	\$ (3,215.00)	\$ (3,600.00)		Amazon Smile	\$ 46	\$ 40	\$ 14			
UC Merced Lab Tours		\$ -								
Community Connections										
California Scholarship Federation field trip		\$ (400.00)		Subtotal fundraisers	\$ 3,500	\$ 5,840	\$ 2,726			
Teacher/Other Requests		\$ (2,000.00)								
Dance Party		\$ (1,600.00)		<i>Donations</i>						
Personal Best Awards	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ (1,000.00)		Anonymous*	\$ 3,000	\$ 3,000	\$ 4,250			
On the Right Track		\$ (3,000.00)		HHSa donation	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 4,000			
Student gift cards	\$ (140.00)		\$ (100.00)	Probation donation	\$ 250	\$ 250				
Staff Club	\$ (325.50)	\$ (500.00)	\$ (50.00)	Anonymous for Valedictorian Dinn	\$ 800					
Staff Appreciation	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ (1,000.00)								
Subtotal Events and Requests	\$ (5,680.50)	\$ (17,200.00)	\$ (1,486.89)	Subtotal donations	\$ 5,250	\$ 5,250	\$ 8,250			
<i>Administrative Costs</i>				<i>Corporate Donors</i>						
Postage and office supplies	\$ (205.92)	\$ (250.00)	\$ (453.52)	Sierra Tel						
Insurance and Tax Fees	\$ (756.00)	\$ (1,000.00)	\$ (756.00)	Tavis Corp						
California State Statement of Information bi-annually		\$ (20.00)		Premier Valley Bank						
PO Box	\$ (156.00)	\$ (100.00)		Subtotal corporate donors	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			
New Checks		\$ (30.00)								
Website		\$ (300.00)	\$ (12.00)							
Zoom (monthly \$14.99 x 9 months)	\$ (149.90)	\$ (135.00)		<i>Grants</i>						
Subtotal admin. costs	\$ (1,267.82)	\$ (1,835.00)	\$ (1,221.52)	Mariposa Comm Foundation		\$ -				
<i>Special One Time Costs not covered elsewhere</i>				On the Right Track		\$ 3,000				
Oak Fire Student Survivors		\$ (4,000.00)	\$ (2,500.00)	Subtotal grants	\$ -	\$ 3,000	\$ -			
Harvard Presentation			\$ (260.66)							
Subtotal special one time costs	\$ -	\$ (4,000.00)	\$ (2,760.66)							
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (6,948.32)	\$ (23,035.00)	\$ (5,469.07)	TOTAL INCOME	\$ 9,150	\$ 14,090	\$ 10,976			
				ACCOUNT BALANCE			\$ 32,573			
				BUDGET BALANCE	\$ 2,201	\$ (8,945)	\$ 5,507			

Jostens of Fresno

William Adams

1-877-767-5217

Announcements, Diplomas, Regalia, Jewelry

Jostens - Mariposa Grizzlies

Thank you Ashley for your continued support. Please see the below details for pricing information.

Quantity	Unit Cost	Embroidery (ACADEMICS)	Total	Total Cost
144	7.65	.77	8.42	1212.48
288	7.40	.74	8.14	2344.32

These costs do not include tax and shipping.

Estimated costs for valedictorian dinner	
11-12 valedictorians = potential 52 guests	
Valedictorian Dinner Costs	Original Quote
Frederick's of Savourys	
Pasta Alfredo w/salad (\$18 x 10)	\$ 180.00
Chicken marsala w/salad (\$24 x 37)	\$ 888.00
Balsamic Salad (\$12 x 5)	\$ 60.00
Non Alc Drinks	\$ 100.00
subtotal	\$ 1,128.00
20% tip	\$ 225.60
Total	\$ 1,353.60
Amazon gift cards - 12 x \$50	\$ 600.00
Cake	\$ 100.00
Programs (Sierra Sisters' Designs)	
Total	\$ 2,053.60
Possible Donations	
Personalized portfolios (Sierra Tel)	
Audio equipment loan and set up (Jon Paul Salonen)	

I just put in placeholders for numbers of each entre to give us an idea of costs.



**MCHS Academic Boosters Club
Personal Best Scholarship
2023**

This annual scholarship is open to all Mariposa County High School students in grades 9-12 who have achieved significant academic growth during the school year, whether it be raising a failing grade to a passing grade, completing a credit recovery program, working with a teacher or tutor to bring up a grade by one full letter, or some other similar significant achievement toward a personal academic goal. Applicants must submit all of the following:

- an application,
- an essay explaining how you feel you have achieved your personal best,*
- two recommendation forms (see attached), one from a teacher and the second from either a teacher or an MCHS staff tutor. One teacher must be from a core academic subject (English, Math, Science, History).

All applications must be received by the Counseling Office no later than 3pm Thursday, April 28, 2022.

There will be four awards, one per grade level, given annually to students who clearly demonstrate they have overcome a challenges and achieved their personal academic best during the school year. A student may only receive the award once during their time at Mariposa County High School.

The award is \$250.

Name _____

Address: _____

** Note: Application will be judged for the substance of content rather than for writing skills. This is not a writing contest but rather a search to acknowledge and commend students who have overcome challenges to achieve significant academic growth.*

For Office Use Only, Application Number: _____

Current grade level: _____

Please respond completely to the following questions.

Answers should be typed, double-spaced, and attached to the application page.

(Include the questions on your typed pages.)

1. What academic goals did you set for yourself this year and how did you achieve them?

2. What do you hope to have accomplished ten years from now?

3. Describe some of your hobbies, interests, responsibilities and extracurricular activities you have been involved in while attending MCHS.

Essay (Minimum of 150 words):

Explain how you have grown as a student this year. What academic challenges did you face and how have you overcome them?



**MCHS Academic Boosters Club
Personal Best Scholarship
Teacher/Tutor Questionnaire**

Dear MCHS Teacher/Tutor,

The MCHS Academic Boosters Club is awarding four scholarships, one per grade level, to students who have overcome a challenge and achieved significant academic growth during the school year, whether it be raising a failing grade to a passing grade, completing a credit recovery program, working with a teacher and/or tutor to bring up a grade by one full letter, or some other similar significant achievement toward a personal academic goal.

As part of the application process, students must submit two completed questionnaires, one from a teacher and the second from either a teacher or an MCHS staff tutor. One teacher must be from a core academic subject (English, Math, Science, History).

All applications must be received by the Counseling Office no later than 3pm Thursday, April 28, 2022.

By filling out this questionnaire, you will be helping us make final determination about scholarship winners. Thanks in advance for this service.

Sincerely,

Jill Harry
Board Chair

For Office Use Only, Application Number: _____

Student Name:

Student Grade:

Teacher/Tutor/Counselor Name:

Class you teach or help this student with or can verify:

Has this student achieved significant academic growth in one of the following ways:

- Raised a failing grade to a passing grade
- Completed a credit recovery program
- Worked with you to bring up a grade by one full letter.
Please indicate from x to y :
- Some other similar significant achievement toward a personal academic goal.
Please elaborate:

Has the student proved they are on the path to academic growth in one or more of the following ways:

- Used to miss class, but now present
- Used to be frequently tardy, now on time
- Used to not turn in work or turn work in late, now turns in work on time
- Has switched from a negative to positive attitude
- Other. Please specify:

Is there anything else you would like us to know about this student to help our evaluation process?

For Office Use Only, Application Number: _____

Personal Best Scoring Rubrik

Questions 1-2 Scoring Guide: Academic Goals and 10 years

*If a student has no answer at all, please do not assign any score

5	4	3	2-1
<p>*Thorough, complete and specific answers.</p> <p>*High goals are established and achieved</p> <p>*Goal in ten years is thoughtful, reasonable and socially conscious</p>	<p>*Complete answers</p> <p>*Solid goals are established and achieved</p> <p>*Goal in ten years is thoughtful and reasonable</p>	<p>*Adequate answers</p> <p>*Goals are established and achieved but may not be very challenging or specific</p> <p>*Goal in ten years is established but may appear unreasonable or superficial</p>	<p>*Basic answers</p> <p>*Goals are minimalistic or vague</p> <p>*Goal in ten years is too general, vague or unrealistic</p>

Question 3 Scoring Guide: Hobbies

*If a student has no answer at all, please do not assign any score

5	4-3	2-1
<p>*If a student does not list any activity beyond school, aside from taking care of family needs, the student is very limited in opportunities. If a student only lists family chores, student has no opportunity.</p>	<p>*If a student only lists activities that have no monetary costs, he/she is probably limited in opportunities</p>	<p>*If a student mentions participating in several activities that require significant payments, student has many opportunities in his/her life</p>

Essay Scoring Guide (minimum 150 words)

5	4	3	2-1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Challenges are formidable *Amount of growth is considerable and measurable *Demonstrates self-motivation and determination despite hardships *Provides specific examples of success and challenges 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Challenges are considerable *Significant growth is achieved and measurable *Demonstrates self-motivation and determination *provides adequate examples of success and challenges 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Challenges are apparent but may appear slightly superficial *Growth is achieved and measured *Demonstrates self-motivation *provides some examples of success and challenges 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Challenges are minimal or superficial *Growth may be achieved but may be vague in measurement *Motivation is minimal or driven by external forces. *Examples of success and challenges are vague or not specific

Teacher/Tutor/Mentor Recommendations Scoring Guide (higher points from core academic subject)

5	4	3	2-1
<p>Letter indicates student's</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Challenges are formidable *Amount of growth is considerable and measurable *Self-motivation and determination are apparent 	<p>Letter indicates student's</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Challenges are considerable *Significant growth is achieved and measurable, but perhaps not as impressive as to rate a "5" *Self-motivation and determination are apparent 	<p>Letter indicates student's</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Challenges are apparent but may appear slightly superficial *Growth is achieved and measured, but not as great to rate a "5" or "4" * Self-motivation and determination are somewhat apparent 	<p>Letter indicates student's</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Challenges are minimal or superficial *Growth may have been achieved but may be vague in measurement *Motivation is minimal or driven by external forces.

PERSONAL BEST SCORING CHART

Student Grade Level:

Name or Number	Ques 1	Ques 2	Ques 3	Essay	Rec 1	Rec 2	TOTAL SCORE

Current ABC Board

Jill Harry, *Chair, Secretary* - stepping down at the end of the school year
Ruth Smiley, *Vice Chair* - will stay until new board is settled, but transitioning out
Leigh Westerlund, *Treasurer* - one more year; needs someone to shadow treasurer tasks
Tara Schiff - *Career Lunch Chair, On the Right Track* - stepping down
Lordelyn del Rosario - stepping down

ABC Board needs 2023-2024 and onward

Chair - someone to set the agendas, run the meetings

Secretary - take notes at meetings, send thank you notes, etc

End of year letter mailing campaign (including check mail box, send thank you notes)

PR - take/get photos

- post on Facebook/Instagram
- send items to Gazette, Sierra Sun Times
- we have a MailChimp e-newsletter template; has been dormant this year

Website - Keep it updated

Career Lunch - one person to organize speakers (monthly)
- one person to organize lunches

Personal Best Awards coordinator

On the Right Track - not again until 2024-2025

Treasurer - shadow Leigh to learn what needs to be done