



## Minutes – March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026

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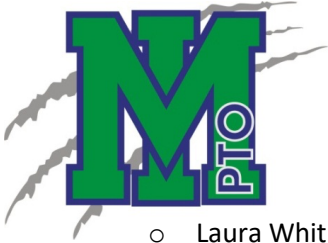
Welcome from Allyson O'Regan, PTO Chairperson

Update from Jeremy Thompson, Elementary School Principal

- Record number of sick students and staff. Appreciate parents keeping students home if they are sick.
- Read Across America week. Guest reader today.
- 2nd Grade Living Museum happening today in little gym.
- Next week are NC Check-ins for 3rd- 5<sup>th</sup> grades.
- Kicking off start of EOG boot camps this week. Accommodating as many students as possible.
- Update from Dr. Jake Wilson, Middle/High School Principal
  - January and February were both great months for the school.
  - 8<sup>th</sup> grade leadership projects were 100% turned in on time.
  - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade field study is in March - Charleston, SC
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade field study is in March – Outer Banks, NC
  - For students not participating in the field studies, they will have exciting activities on campus.
  - Registration extended for Middle School classes.
  - Spring athletics are gearing up.
  - High School first ever ACT prep session happening soon.
  - Robotics are competing in the district competition this weekend.
  - Middle/High School – Tickets are on sale for the musical “Chicago”. Performance is not recommended for elementary school students.
  - High School – We had a state champion and runner up in wrestling.
  - Championship won by the varsity and middle school basketball teams.
  - One more middle school dance coming up. Tickets on sale soon.

Special Guest -DECA

- Competition – worked on role plays in controlled business environments.
- 2 MICS students won the DECA Glass award and several DECA students won medals for their performances.
- Looking forward to helping with the PTO Auction.



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- Laura Whitley is in charge of DECA, and if there is anything that DECA can help with please reach out to her.

#### PTO Event Updates

- PTO Auction – Michelle Halterman
  - March 6<sup>th</sup> from 6-9 pm. Muddy River Distillery.
  - Tickets on sale now. Options – per table or per ticket.
  - Over 180 items/baskets have been donated. Over 30 creative staff experiences have been donated.
  - Less than 20 tickets left.
  - Food has been donated.
  - Moving truck to carry the items has been donated and will arrive Friday morning.
- PTO K-8 Father-Daughter Dance – Lawanna Gaddy
  - \$2464 in ticket sales thus far. Tickets on sale until Friday March 6<sup>th</sup>.
  - Mike Strauss provided a link to prepurchase dance pictures.
  - Food – simple treats, popcorn maker, simple drinks.
  - March 21<sup>st</sup> 6-8pm. Tickets are \$8 a person.
- PTO Mother/Son Golf - Amanda Lawing
  - March 13<sup>th</sup> 10am-12pm
  - Tickets are sold out.
- PTO Spring Book Fairs – Karen McVickers
  - Middle School Fair: March 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>
  - Elementary School Fair: April 13<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>
  - Currently have \$7,967.69 in scholastic dollars. A lot of this will be used for the new Middle School book fair this year – to purchase books for the middle school teachers and fill up their classrooms.

#### PTO Committee Updates

- PTO K-12 Staff Appreciation – Kristen Houser and Mary Ledford
  - February 6<sup>th</sup> – Wing and Salad Bar. Success! Always a staff favorite.



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- Planning another meal the week of Teacher appreciation week. Date of meal TBD.
- Teacher appreciation week tentatively scheduled for May 4<sup>th</sup> – May 8<sup>th</sup>. Will double check with school testing dates before it is made official.
- PTO Elementary School Room Parents – Karen McVickers, Lauren Love
  - Moving Quarterly Birthday Celebration date. TBD
- PTO Middle/High School Room Parents
  - Collected auction items for 4 Bridgerton themed baskets.
- PTO Spirit Nights – Robyn Steward, update provided by Allyson O’Regan
  - Charlotte Checkers game was great!
  - April 14<sup>th</sup>- Spirit Night at Jeremiahs
- PTO Everyday Fundraisers – Lisa Turner
  - No update.
- PTO Treasurer – Nicole Swanson, update by Karen McVickers
  - All receipts are in and accounted for.
- Soar Foundation– Jenny Curry
  - Staff at Charlotte Knights game – May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Elementary chorus will sing the national anthem. Invitations going out after spring break.
  - Color Run – May 15<sup>th</sup>. PE teachers will attend and help runners stretch before the event.
  - Soar Board meeting is March 9<sup>th</sup>.

#### Update from Glenn Byrum, Executive Director

- Kindergarten lottery - had 130 spots available.
- Currently 1500 people on waitlist for the school. Siblings and staff children are priority in the application process.
- Next year is our Charter School Renewal Year. Looking for a full renewal this time, which is for 10 years. Site visit is virtual this year and will be on March 12<sup>th</sup>. The review will include some staff, parents and students.

Adjourn



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