MARIEMONT HIGH SCHOOL PTO
October 10, 2012 Meeting Minutes

WELCOME – MHS PTO President Erika Hinebaugh welcomed everyone to the meeting, which began at 8:50 am.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Paul Imhoff

- Mariemont, Terrace Park, Fairfax and Columbia Township are forming a Coalition for Drug Free Cincinnati in an effort to curb drug and alcohol use by teens in the area.
- The district is working with other schools in the area to locally develop a system of reporting the definition of "quality" on a community basis so there is less reliance on state information.

TEACHER REPORT – Debbie Keefe

- Debbie discussed the various projects of the different classes. There was a discussion regarding the dual credit program; this affects second semester for four math and two science classes. The program is at no cost to parents. There will be additional information sent home from the school in the near future.

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT – Allie Frey

- Allie reported that over 300 students attended Homecoming. There will be changes to the Snowball Dance to be more informal and to take place after a basketball game in the commons.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Dawn Harden moved to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Nan Dill and the motion passed.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – Jim Renner

- Jim reported testing is taking place with plans for a parent clinic for WRAP and CP4 results to take place in January.
- The last day to drop a course and remove from the transcripts is October 17th.
- The PSAT test for juniors and seniors will take place October 17th.
- Naviance is being integrated into the school with SAT, ACT, and PSAT test preparation. There has been test preparation with teachers for ½ hour at lunch with input from Martha Geller for interested students.
- A bully prevention program will begin December 12th at the junior and senior high schools with early dismissal for the students, a teacher session, then parent session in the evening. There will be baseline surveys so the scope of the problem can be identified and remedies developed.
- Parent conferences will take place in November with online signups October 24th.
- The Mariemont Academy teacher in-service program will take place October 22 and will cover bullying prevention and Blackboard.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Patsy Kaschalk

- Patsy reviewed the PTO budget to date.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

HOSPITALITY – Brenda Westfall

- This committee is ongoing.

KROGER FUNDRAISING - Sandra Taylor

- The program has increased from 60 to approximately 100 families. Check the bottom of Kroger sales receipts to make sure cards are registered for the district to get credit. If there are any questions regarding this fundraiser, call Sandra.

FLOWER FUND – Mary Beth York

- A profit of $387 was realized from flower sales for the Homecoming Dance.

CONSUMER SURVEYS – Dawn Harden

- There will be a consumer survey November 8th in the Commons from 2:15 pm to 5:15 pm; information will be emailed.

SPIRIT SHOP – Susan Malone

- New items are available in the spirit shop and $1,300 was raised at the homecoming football game.

WEB PAGE – Beth Garrison

- Contact Beth if anyone has something to be posted on the PTO website. She will add information regarding the Consumer Surveys.

OLD BUSINESS

- Erika thanked the Homecoming Co-coordinators for their hard work.

NEW BUSINESS

- The Warrior Run event is looking for volunteers.

Susan Malone made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Patsy Kaschalk.

Submitted by Tracy Wood, Secretary