

**PTA Executive Board Present:** Robert V. Sofia, President  
Dawn-Marie Sparacio, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
Daniela Kwiatkowski, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President  
Annette Mendoza, Treasurer  
Virginia Meller, Recording Secretary

**MVP Administration Present:** Christian Quezada, Director of Operations

The meeting began at 6:30pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

R. Sofia, President Welcomed all and reminded everyone to sign in.

V. Meller, Secretary December 3, 2018 minutes read and approved.

A. Mendoza, Treasurer Provided the Treasurer's Report. The PTA balance is \$4,568.62.

R. Sofia, President's Report The year has been going well.

The toy drive (in conjunction with GRYC) was the highest amount ever donated from MVP. GRYC will also be helping with the GotSneakers campaign. The GotSneakers campaign will run until the next PTA meeting on February 4, 2019. Each pair of sneakers earns \$1.00 for the school; it is less for other footwear.

R. Sofia was advised by Mr. Burton that 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation picture re-takes are scheduled for Friday, January 18, 2019.

Upcoming Events January 16<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Ring Day. Auditorium doors are to be opened for parents at 10:15am.

January 18<sup>th</sup>, Sibling applications due for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders.

January 21<sup>st</sup>, School closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday.

January 25<sup>th</sup>, Progress Reports are supposed to be available on Teacherease.

April 10<sup>th</sup>, First MVP Talent Show. Parent volunteers are needed. GRYC will be involved. The event will be aggressively advertised by email. The evening will last approximately 1-1/2 to 2 hours. All students are invited to participate. In response to a question from a parent, students do not have to enter into any particular category. This question led to R. Sofia stating that the parent social media is being reactivated. Another parent mentioned that parent permission will be needed to include students in the PTA social media.

Late May, A superhero graphic novel day is being planned.

Open for  
parents

Several parents brought up the “insane” amount of homework over the holiday break. Parents in attendance agreed the amount of work was unreasonable. Earlier in the year the volume of break work and summer work was brought up at a PTA meeting and Ms. Velez stated she would go over it. There has been no information since that meeting. Mr. Quezada stated he would bring up the issue to Ms. Velez and Ms. Allocca.

Raffle

Kuldip Girn, 8-3, won a novelization of *Mortal Engines*.  
Daniella Maldonado, 7-3, won the book *Special Forces*.  
Joseph Herlihy, 6-2, won the book *Courageous*.  
Faith Mendoza, 8-4, won the book *Gamer Army*.  
John Rodriguez, 8-4, won *Scholastic's Year in Sports*.  
Four pizza pies were won by Jodi Mercado, Mariah Cordero, Vanessa Otero, and Jason Schneider.  
A 2019 fleece jacket was won by Aiyess Hale.

Cassandra Hale, 8-5, won a Harry Potter lanyard.  
All students in attendance received invisible ink pens.

6:35pm

Meeting adjourned.