

**MSPCS Parent Association Meeting**  
**Minutes 10.11.2017 (Start time approx. 18:35)**

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<b>Meeting called by: Renate Juengling, President</b>
<b>Type of Meeting: 2<sup>st</sup> PA Annual Meeting 2017-2018</b>
<b>Executive Board: Renate Juengling, President; Maria Gabriela Ale-Castro, Secretary</b>
<b>School administrators: Otis Wirth</b>
<b>Church: Pastor Kim Robles</b>
<b>No of PA members present: 12 ( Carmen Rodriguez-Altieri, Shayna Perez, Danny Suniga, Kim Blanco, Nercylieth Valencia, Carla Caceres, France Zenatti, Veronica Gazmuri, Kristina Mendez, Nicole Swaggety-Valdes)</b>

**Agenda topic: Welcome and Intros** **Presenter: Renate Juengling**

Welcome statement delivered by Board President. New members introduced themselves.  
Pastor Robles opened with a prayer

**Agenda topic: PA open seats** **Presenter: Renate Juengling**

VP2 Replacement/Volunteer (Sandra Valencia, candidate)  
Voting to take place next meeting.

**Agenda topic: upcoming events** **Presenter: Renate Juengling**

- Art's festival moved for spring date TBD
- Green Day we will not be participating.
- Pumpkin Patch upcoming: Still looking for volunteers – sign up!
- Church 10/22 fall festival
- MSPCS Fall Hayride - we would like to do hayride, but it has been a challenge to find transport. Tentative date 10/27.

**Agenda topic: Parent Social** **Presenter: Renate Juengling**

**Parents social** - It's about strengthening ties between parents and community. Ideally to be done before thanksgiving. Renate reached out to MSCC (Miami Shores Country Club). Another option is Anthony's coal fire pizza. Goal is to have one each semester and 15-20% of sales will be donated to the school.

**Agenda topic: Mission** **Presenter: Renate Juengling**

First meeting we talked about mission. We are looking to involve the lower grades and preschool. Several ideas were heard such as Operation Christmas, "kindness elves" Christmas gift to orphanages, children's hospital or Christmas crawl. Renate asked for ideas by email and they will be researched.

**Urban Promise Dinner/MSPC Church** to sponsors thanksgiving dinner for 60+ Urban Promise Families at MSPC on November 14. Explore MSPCS student involvement at the dinner.

**Agenda topic: Committee Volunteers** **Presenter: Renate Juengling**

Volunteer organizers for the committee of Fall Book Fair will be contacted.  
Volunteers to sign up online.  
Looking for volunteers for parents' social committee.

**Agenda topic: MSPCS Party Book Fundraising**

**Presenter: Carmen Rodriguez-Altieri**

The idea consists of parents hosting small events and proceeds go to a particular issue of the host's choosing. It implies raising funds while building a community, along with partnership with local business and groups.

Committee members can help with event ideas.

To learn more about party book [www.onlinepartybook.com](http://www.onlinepartybook.com)

**Agenda topic: Funds**

**Presenter: Renate Juengling**

We have approximately 40k and we would like to get suggestions from the teachers on how to use it. Teacher's requests are being received and will be reviewed and prioritized with Otis Wirth before next meeting. The PA will review and discuss at next meeting.

**Staff Gifts** were proposed as a small token of gratitude to our MSPCS staff. Gift cards to teachers and staff will be dispersed at Thanksgiving. 37 x \$100 + \$3700. Members present voted in favor of gift.

**Agenda topic: MSPCS Parenting Education Workshops**

**Presenter: Otis Wirth**

Mr. Wirth discussed preliminary results of the recent survey conducted on-line with parents regarding their interest in parent education workshops. Topics of interest will be prioritized based on majority interest and a call will go out to parents asking them to host/sponsor a chosen topic. Assignments and Schedule TBD – more to come.

**Agenda topic: Room Parents**

**Presenter: Kristina Mendez**

Room parents handle the holiday parties/events at the classroom and the all school events such as Halloween/Trunk or Treat, Thanksgiving all school breakfast/Christmas, etc. Some room parents collect for the whole year vs for each event. **There are currently open positions for room parents for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade.** Volunteers will be contacted and an intro meeting will be held this month to review events and responsibilities.

**Agenda topic: Committee Assignments and other ideas**

**Presenter: Renate Juengling**

**Suggested Organization to explore** - The little lighthouse foundation: Carla Caceres

**Parent Social:** Nicole Swaggerty-Valdes, Rebecca Thomson

**Fall Book Fair:** *Liangi Calli*, Fosie Norton, Sandra Valencia, Brian Wolstenholme, Bill Hamilton, Carmen Altieri,

**Valentine's Dance:** Rebecca Thomson, Shay Perez, Jen Timko

**NUTS:** Gabriela Castro, Nicole Valdes, Rebecca Thomson

**Mission Projects:** Danny Suniga, Gabriela Castro

**Earth Week:** Kim Blanco, Kristina Mendez, Antonio Netto

**Spring Book Fair:** Carla Caceres

**Party Book:** Carmen Rodriguez-Altieri

**Art's Festival:** Liangy Calli, Fosie Norton, Sandra Debuire, Andrea Nieto, Shay Perez, Nercylieth Valencia

**Year End Celebration:** Veronica Gazmuri, Kristina Mendez

**Parent workshops:** Nicole Valdes, France Zenatti

Meeting adjourned at approx. 19:45