



MPACT General Meeting

Mountainside High School

Virtual meeting

03/15/2023, 7:00 PM

Zoom meeting, 7:00 PM

Meeting was called to order by Dani Cohen at 7:05 PM; minutes recorded by Teresa Boatright

In Attendance: Dani Cohen, Julie Blaufuss, Todd Corsetti, Belinda Dicky, Jennifer Frotton, Ahad Aziz, Teresa Boatright, Lori Thune, Christina Kraus, Cynthia Neely, Maksim Smotkin, Trish Narimatsu, Fran Sinapi, Diana

President's Report – Dani Cohen

- MPACT needs your help.
 - MPACT is the organization that sponsors Grad night, Scholarships, supplemental funding for leadership, staff appreciation week, and we provide funding for grants. MPACT also facilitates services like concessions at athletic events and Mountainside spirit gear.
 - We can only keep this going with your help.
 - We have lots of volunteer opportunities.
 - Come out and support us at our Dining for Dollars events, Earth Day Recycling event.
 - Consider joining the MPACT Board. We will have open positions for VP of Merchandising, President, and the fundraising committee. At our next general meeting, we will hold board elections.
 - For more information, visit our website or email President@MountainsidePACT.org
- Motion to approve the minutes from the general meeting
 - Correction to general meeting minutes – spelling of Ahad Aziz's name.
 - Motion made to approve the meeting minutes as correct by Dani Cohen
 - Motion made by Dani Cohen
 - Second by Lori Thune.
 - Motion approved.

Student Leadership Report - Maksim Smotkin

- Manes for Mavs is this Friday, March 17 – students can donate up to 8 inches of hair
- Blood Drive on March 3rd - very successful blood drive with over 69 donors
- Planning underway for Mountainsides Got Talent, our big talent show

Principals Report – Todd Corsetti

- Area schools want to visit and learn more about our Leadership program. Great job Eric and students!
- Grade reports show that our students are doing really well!
- Stuff the Stables event was great! There was a great girls basketball game and dance afterwards
- Kids finished forecasting today.
- When we return from Spring Break, ACT, SAT, IB Testing – will need parent volunteers to proctor the exams.

Vice Presidents Report – Lori Thune

- Snack drive was successful! Thank you.

- Staff Appreciation is the 2nd week of May this year and we will be hosting lunch for the entire staff! ~150 staff members
- Grad Night Party plans are moving along. Ticket sales are going well and Yard Signs are being sold. We are seeing lots of involvement from parents of all grades. Thank you!
- Senior scholarship – MPACT will award 10 scholarships in the amount of \$500 each. Students can get more information from the Counseling office.
- Non-Senior parents. We could use your help reviewing scholarship applications. As a panelist, you can help us decide who gets the award. For more information, email president@mountainsidepact.org.
 - Question – Is there any help for families who may not have the funds for lawn signs or Grad Night tickets?
 - Answer – Yes. There is assistance available. Reach out to the Counseling Office and they will help facilitate this. We are also accepting donations from anyone who would like help other families cover grad expenses.

Treasurers Report – Ahad Aziz

- Last 2 months have been good due to winter sports. Approximately \$2,000 brought in from winter sports concession sales
- Spirit sales are winding down, however you can always purchase merchandise online.

VP Fundraising Report, Jennifer Frotton

- Our recent Dining for Dollars events have been very successful. These support MPACT and Grad Night. Thank you! Upcoming Dining for Dollar events include: Menchies, Society Pie, Chipotle, Joes & Choza.
- Our Recycling event at Als Home and Garden is coming up on April 22, from 9am to 12noon. Tell your neighbors and friends to bring their electronic recyclables to help support MPACT and Earth Day. A list of accepted items can be found on our website. Asking for a donation and for volunteers. Adult volunteers are needed. Opportunity for student volunteers to earn service hours.

VP Merchandising Report, Christina Kraus

- This has been a fantastic year and we had a very successful event at Curriculum Night. You can continue to order spirit gear online.
- Are you creative and do you enjoy designing? Consider joining the MPACT board. This is a fun position and we are actively looking for someone to take it on next year.
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VP Concessions Report, update provided by Dani Cohen

- Big thank you to those athletic teams that have volunteered to help run concessions!
- For teams that take on concessions, MPACT offers \$100 or 15%, whichever is greater.

VP Volunteers Report, Belinda Dickey

- There are lots of volunteer opportunities coming up including the Earth Day Recycling event and the school is looking for help proctoring IB exams.
- If you have not yet volunteered at Mountainside, you will need to set up a profile through Better Impact, pass a background check and provide proof of vaccination or an exception. After you complete this process, you will begin to receive emails from our volunteer coordinators.

VP Marketing Report – Teresa Boatright

- Stay up to date on our events and volunteer opportunities by following Mountainside PACT on social media – Facebook and Instagram.
- You can also visit us on the web: <https://www.mountainsidepact.org/>

Open for questions:

Dani Cohen: As we budget for next year, is there anything that should be considered in the MPACT budget? Are there things in the school that could use our support? For example, someone mentioned more microwaves are needed in the cafeteria. If you have thoughts or suggestions, you can email president@mountainsidepact.org

Fran Sinapi: Where can we find line item budget items?

- Dani: go to <https://mountainsidepact.org> – there is a tab called events. Under news, you'll find the budget and meeting minutes.

Meet adjourned 7:52pm

Next meeting: May 10, 2023