

**MBS PTO Meeting
January 10th, 2019
MBS Library @6PM**

Attendance: Madison Freed, Danielle Bevins, Tiara Porter, Gail Messier, Angela Hardy, Christine Lombard, Julie Faas, Kim, Margaret Brown, Mindy Demeo, Trish DiFonzo, Angela Bean, Tara Brown, Mindy Demeo, Joy Eidsheim, Kim Yousey-Hindes, Elizabeth Eastman, Jordan Burke

School Updates: Assembly Update, Flash Mob, Mrs. Eastman shared enrichment assembly updates.

Finances: Currently all CSD PTOs are under the same corporate entity. It is recommended that each PTO becomes its own entity. One of the options is to be our own 501 c(3).

Another option is to become a PTA. It is 4.50 a person to be members of a PTA. Within a PTA only members can vote. As part of becoming a PTA, organizations become their own 501 c(3).

Danielle Bevins, Gail Messier, and Tiara Porter have done some research. Milton has a successful PTA. Another benefit is that the PTA has resources at the state and national level that could be helpful.

There are are some upfront costs - (\$700 - 1000). The PTA would also need by-laws.

The PTA doesn't provide professional liability insurance. This would be something that we would need to be separate.

As part of the process of becoming a PTA, officers need to be re-elected.

Any questions can be directed to Trish DiFonzo.

MBS Robotics Team Update: Angela Hardy came to talk about the Colchester Robotics Team. Students in grades 4-6 won a Vermont Robotics Competition. The team has qualified for a world competition in Detroit with 180 other teams. The team is currently looking for donations to attend the competition. Local businesses have already made donations. The competition is in April.

The committee agreed to donate \$500.00 to the Robotics Team. Gail Messier suggested \$500.00. Joy Eidsheim seconded.

Bowling Transportation: The PTO agreed to subsidize the PBIS bowling celebration with 1000.00. Mindy Demeo suggested the \$1000.00. Tiara Porter seconded.

Parent Teacher/Conferences: PTO will discuss teacher meals for Parent/Teacher Conferences in February.

T-Shirt Fundraiser: Mindy Demeo proposed doing a t-shirt fundraiser instead of the seed sale this spring. Joy Eihseim seconded.

Yearbook: Order forms will be available online.

Lucky Day Carnival: Lucky Day Carnival will be March 15th.