

**MUIRLANDS MIDDLE SCHOOL
PTA MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 17 2009**

The meeting was called to order 9:05 a.m.

The minutes were read.

PTA Presidents report - Angela Schuetz.

Teacher breakfast went great. Thank you Georgia Hornbeck.

Discussion re: Merging Muirlands Foundation and the PTA.

What does each organization do? Do they really need to function separately at our school? Does separate mean more antonymous?

Open discussion on subject...as this was talked about by the PTA back in 2008.

Would dissolving strict PTA structure lead to Parent issues? What would those issues be?

What would the trickle down effect be to high school and elementary schools?

How could this effect/help with the current budget crisis?

Still thinking but basic notion, one organization with different branches,
Two vice presidents and one is Pres elect for succession year.

Would still need... Treasurer and Asst Treasurer (or 2), VP Academic affairs,
Grade level Liaisons, Secretary, and Corresponding Secretary...

A suggestion was made, this could simplify the shortage of volunteers with
smaller board and repetition of positions leading.

Sarah suggests this was discussed 2 years ago and there is an official PTA
protocol for disbanding. Be sure rules are followed.

Suggestion is made that high school PTA is still strong and people can still join
there.

Suggestion that PTA has been losing members consistently for years because
technology has improved communications.

Suggested PTA Commitments such as cultural arts can easily be supported
through the foundation.

A suggestion was made that a notification to district PTA and Parents needs to be done in advance. A survey sent through an Eblast would be great to encourage communication and discussion on this topic.

A discussion about the nominations for next school year.

Adjourned 10:35