## MHMAA Board Meeting Charlene Brax Ospital' Home Westchester, Calif. March 19, 2016

- **I. Welcome**: The MHMAA Board meeting was called to order at 10:45 by President Beverly Silsbee. Members present: Beverly Silsbee, Charlene Ospital, Carrie Anthony-Colby, Patsy Brierley, Nancy Larr, Hal Hunt, and Linda Thompson.
- **II. Minutes**: The minutes of January 12 were approved unanimously.

## **III. Committee Reports**

Scholarship Committee: In the absence of Chairman Dave Bustamante, Charlene Brax provided an update. All applications were due on March 12 and the response was excellent: 22 for the Academic Scholarships; 6 for the Torch Awards; and 1 for the Trades Scholarship. MHMAA also assisted in encouraging 8 students to apply for the Stifel Scholarship. After a review of all applications, 15 finalists were selected. Applications are being sent to the 9 member Scholarship Committee for review of the essay and activities. Interviews will be held on May 12 and May 13. The recipients will be announced at Senior Awards Assembly, to be held May 25 at MHS. Immediately preceding the Assembly, MHS will host a reception for MHS faculty and MHMAA members.

**Website:** Charlene Brax, Webmaster, reported on the status of the website. The next update will be done in April when the Spring Campaign information is mailed. With the assistance of Hal Hunt and Dawn Vincent, the website now has a Pay Pal button. Contributions can be made online via the website, and donations will be deposited into our MHMAA checking account. Donors will receive a receipt from Pay Pal, and MHMAA, as required. Work continues on trying to provide a menu for designated donations.

**Teacher Grants:** Teacher Grant Committee: Beverly Silsbee reported that – since our last meeting in January - the teacher grant recipients continue to use their grants, purchasing needed items and taking students on interesting field trips that enhance learning.

- Ms Woods took ASB students ice skating
- Mr. Gonzalez has purchased materials and provided transportation to MESA competitions.
- Mr. Slack's drama class used his grant for costuming and videotaping expenses for a Black History production this past month.
- Mr. Lockett, Mr. Slack, and Mr. Lackey took students to the LA College of Music
- Mr. Lackey took his band members to an LA Philharmonic Concert
- Ms Haro took Spanish classes to the Museum of Latin America
- Mr. Brown took his Special Education students to the Natural History Museum
- Ms Hirata has purchased instructional materials for her severe Special Ed class.

Ms. Mayfield will use the balance of her principal focus fund to offset senior activities in May. Of a total of \$10,600 to be awarded, \$8469 has been distributed so far. All requests for expenditures reimbursements are due by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Financial Report**: Charlene Brax, Vice President, reported that the quarterly financial results will be produced in April. Since January, expenses have been primarily Teacher Grants (see Teacher Grant Report). Income has been approximately \$2,000 in memberships and donations.

## **IV. Old Business**

**Spring Campaign**: Charlene Brax reported on the Spring Campaign. Information will be mailed to members and friends the second week of April. In lieu of the party, members are being asked to make a donation or sponsor the campaign by May 21. The projected net profit for the campaign is \$10,000.

Hal Hunt reported on the PayPal information, which we can use in addition to checks being sent to Patsy or through the PO box. A monthly report will also be sent to Susie who will report which categories are going into PayPal. The logistic of PayPal to coordinate with people receiving checks/donations

**Boys State:** Beverly Silsbee met with students on Friday March 18 and – with the help of Assistant Principal Isaac Burgess – interviewed four Juniors as candidates to go to the American Legion Boys State held at the University of Davis June 18-25. Of the four, two will be chosen to attend; two will be alternates. The applications are due mid-April. Mr. Migliazzo – past Assistant Principal of MHS -is a member of American Legion Post 77. He is sponsoring the students to attend this great camp.

The Awards Ceremony is scheduled for May 25. Last day of school is June 9

V. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned 12:00.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Thompson, MHMAA Secretary