

## Friends of Morgan 2024-2025 Closed Meeting Minutes February 7, 2025 at 8:00 am

- Start Time: 8:55am
- Attendance:
  - President- Cristin Matula
  - Vice President- Open
  - VP of Programs-Brittany Mac (absent)
  - VP of Spirit- Brittany Samudio
  - VP of Fundraising- Crystal Pape
  - VP of Fundraising- Kara Abrameit
  - Treasurer- Kim Treacy
  - Secretary- Courtney Abbott
- President Update
  - o Kaila Hamilton has stepped down as President.
  - o 9 weeks Treats for kids- 3/3, popcorn at recess
    - Need to create and send out volunteer sign up
    - Need to order and pick up on 3/2
  - o Next year???
    - Members returning?
      - Will announce openings at next open meeting
    - Vote soon to amend by laws
      - Suggested new positions
        - o Split VP Programs
        - o VP of Volunteers
        - o VP of Hospitality
- VP Update
  - Yearbook sales close on 2/21
  - o May need a new yearbook chair for next year
  - o 3rd 9 weeks teacher luncheon- 2/17 Chick-fil-A
- VP of Programs Update
  - o Volunteers of the Month for February-Kelsey and Kaylor?
  - o Room mom- Gala baskets- 3/7
  - o Father/Daughter- 2/7
  - o Valentine parties 2/14, decorate 2/13@3
  - o Check Day before party checklist coming soon
- VP of Spirit Update
  - o FOM Spirit Wear Update
  - o Continue with Pinky and Black for vendor
- VP of Fundraising
  - o Gala-April 5 Casino Night 7-11pm, Hollis Event Center, Cocktail Attire
  - o Food/Drink- Local Table heave apps, charcuterie, cash bar, cakes up for bid
    - **\$3,094**
    - Bartenders (2) \$530- includes cups, cocktail napkins, garnishes
      - Actual bar from Hollis? \$200. Working on getting donation
    - Dates for save the date (Feb 13)
    - Ticket sales (March 3)-auction promotions, casino cutie cards
    - Ticket sales and casino cutie card sales close- March 21

- Fun at Gala- DJ, Mirror Photo Booth, Pop Duo Display, Wine Pull, Bourbon Pull, Live Auction, Silent Auction, CASINO Tables
- Tables for check in?
- Auction Items
  - Police ride alongs, seats for graduation
  - Raffle Prizes- to win with funny money tix
  - Parties
    - Trucker hats and trouble makers
    - Wine sips and wine bottles
    - Mamacitas and Margaritas
- Sponsors- Burn, Local Table, Heather Construction, Revive
- Donations- Brazos Baking (cake and cookies), Danjoys cooking class
- Sponsor/Donation Procedure- explain to group
- Volunteers
- Auction Site
- Collecting Money
- Ticket Price-\$75- includes admission, 2 drink tickets and \$5000 in chips
  - 150 people plus FOM board, plus tickets given to sponsors
- Fundraising for ?
  - Backpack hooks
  - Yearly supplies each grade
  - 2 teachers to Ron Clark
- Treasurer Updates
  - o Bank Account as of 2/5/2025 approximately \$53,000
  - o Recent Expenses:
    - Valentine's Party for students (including treats for students): \$
    - Morgan donated a basket for the LEAF auction: \$300
      - LEAF is Lamar Educational Awards Foundation, and this organization provides grants for teachers. They have a fundraiser every Spring.
    - Water bottle fillers: \$8,245
    - Father/Daughter Dance: \$2800
    - Moms/Misters: \$3200
    - Teacher/staff lunch on 2/17 Chick Fil A
    - Gala budget:
  - o Need to discuss: sending teachers to Ron Clark
- Secretary Update
  - o Teacher Appreciation Week- dates?
    - Chair-Amy Carlson
    - Theme-?
- Communications Update
  - o Need a list of graphics needed for gala
  - o Posting schedule/deadlines
- End Time:

## **Upcoming Dates**

- February 11- snack provided for teachers
- February 14- Valentines parties
- February 17-Teacher Luncheon- Chickfila
- February 19- Open FOM Meeting 9:30
- February 28- Go Texan's Day/House Day/Early Dismissal

- March 7- Early Dismissal
- March 7- Closed Board Meeting
- March 10-14: Spring Break
- March 19- Open FOM Meeting 9:30 (Board Nominations Due)
- March 21 Principal Meeting
- March 25-2nd grade field trip
- March 28- Early Dismissal
- April 4-Kinder Field Trip
- April 4- Closed Board Meeting
- April 5-Gala
- April 8- snack provided Teachers
- April 11- 1st grade field trip
- April 11- Principal Meeting
- April 16- Open FOM Meeting 9:30 (New Board Voting)
- April 17 early dismissal
- April 18,21st- No school Easter
- May 2- Closed Board Meeting
- May 5-9- Staff Appreciation Week
- May 9- Principal Meeting
- May 13- Staff snack?
- May 22- Last Day of School

## **FOM Purchases:**

- Escape Room- Staff Development
- Back to school photo booth
- 3 Teacher Luncheons
- Staff Development Snack Bar
- Flags for Veterans Day Program
- Slide for House Day
- Stock the Lounge
- Grandparents Day Decorations
- Teacher Scholarships to the Ron Clark Academy
- Field Trip Shirts
- Marquee letters
- Christmas Parties
- Hot Chocolate & Cookies

- Field Trips
- Staff recognition gifts
- Sponsor and family signs
- StoryWorks Magazine for students
- Watch DOG pizza party, refreshments, and shirts
- Online Directory
- Movie Night ticket donation
- Yearbook class photos
- Angel Tree
- Valentine's Day Treats Staff
- Valentine's Day Treats Students
- Father/ Daughter Danc