

PSMS PTO MEETING MINUTES

11/9/17

9:00 AM

PRESENT: Stephanie Sale, Betsy Lewis, Jonna Brandel, Amy Perkins, Julie Rudman, Aimee Bernstein, Kara Golian, Anil Kumar, Tiffany Way, Melanie Marquardt, Andrea Myers, Susan Campbell, Eric Rembold

- I. WELCOME—Stephanie Sale
- II. SECRETARY’S REPORT—Susan Campbell: October minutes were approved.
- III. TREASURE’S REPORT—Kara Golian and Anil Kumar: Treasurer Report for 11/9/17 included the following information: Checking account balance at 11/6/17 - \$45,162.59. We have submitted all necessary forms for taxes and they are wrapped up until next year. Recent deposits include \$205.00 for directory ads. Recent checks written include – \$365.00 for PE Uniforms, \$16.56 for slime supplies, two checks totaling \$641.12 for Staff Appreciation and six checks totaling \$248.06 for teachers participating in the Staff Welcome Back. Our current PTO Invest and membership in PSMS balance is \$17,255.00 and our 8th Grade Farewell balance is \$4,835.00. Overall, a quiet month.
 1. Susan moved to approve the Treasure’s Report and Budget for November. Andrea seconded the motion.
- IV. PTO/PSMS INVEST REPORT: The goal for INVEST this year is \$17,500. Current INVEST balance is \$17,255! We will try to increase the publicity of the need for and allocations of the these monies.
- V. VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORTS
 - A. 1ST VP REPORTS—Betsy Lewis. PE UNIFORMS--Jonna Brandel reported we have finished with PE Uniforms for this school year. She will revisit the topic in the spring. SCHOOL SUPPLIES: Betsy has a “perfect” list for school supplies for next year. We will stick

with EPI. Sending supplies to the school for the 2018-2019 school year will be reviewed as an option at a later time. SPIRIT WEAR: Sarah McQueary emailed Stephanie. There are items to sell. A flyer will go out prior to Winter Break.

B. 2ND VP REPORTS—Aimee Bernstein. COMMUNITY SERVICE—Julie Rudman: Collected left over Halloween candy was sent to troops. 8TH GRADE FAREWELL—Tiffany Way and Amy Perkins: Tiffany inquired as to whether or not there was a committee for 8th Grade Farewell. There is not currently a committee; Jonna Brandel will assist Tiffany. Tiffany asked about the video. She will touch base with Lisa Nocita to possibly assist with the video. It was recommended to select a different option for breakfast than Chris Cakes. Main Event and Power Play are already booked for potential last day of school. Dave and Busters is available. Tiffany will check event locations for May 22nd and 24th. Eric will get feedback from the 8th grade team regarding the possibility of changing the date and procedure of 8th Grade Farewell. PANTHER NIGHT/FALL FRENZY—Julie Browne, Mary Garreston, and Tricia Bath: These are completed for the year. HEALTH SCREENINGS: Jonna shared that Health Screenings went well. May have an additional screener. Jonna will share her notes with Aimee.

C. 3RD VP REPORTS—Melanie Marquart. COMMUNITY PARTNERS—Andrea Myers: The original plan did not include holding an event in December, however we are going to have an event at the Ice Skating Center on December 4th. 20% of ticket sales will be give to PSMS. Chick-Fil-A, Sunset Grill and Chipotle have not yet been confirmed. Kona Ice is set up for all games. Chipotle may be in March. We will possibly have a second Sonic Night in April, in addition to a Sunset Grill night in the Spring. Commerce Bank will not likely be a PSMS partner. Partnership with this business appears to involve staff participation in listening to bank presentation(s). Eric will put in a work order to investigate getting the PSMS marque lit up a night. STAFF APPRECIATION: October 25th/26th P/T conference meals were provided. Lunch was provided on Thursday from Nick and Jake's.

Heavy appetizers and snacks were offered on Wednesday. Cans of soda are a great idea. Inspirational treats throughout the year in mailboxes will be provided. Many items for Staff Appreciation will be collected through Sign Up Genius. Holiday Jars may be done for each staff member. 75 jars will be collected by parent volunteers. A list of “likes” will be provided. Parent volunteer will purchase \$20-\$25 worth of “likes”.

- VI. PSMS ADMINISTRATION REPORT—Eric inquired about interest in Major Saver. Full participation would include a 15 minute assembly, a pizza party, and limo ride. Another option might be to sell cards at school events. Eric will discuss this option with BVEF representative. Paul Aubrey received a grant for brass mutes from BVEF. The school also received a \$2500 grant, which will be used for mobile furniture. Students are working on proposals for utilization of these monies. Eric asked for feedback on conferences. Some feedback included possible options for timing the conference and more visible or “taller” signage for identifying teachers. Basketball has begun. Both teams won. Eric addressed the issue of families in need, as holidays draw near. One option might be to give gift cards as opposed to items. There would be a possibility of asking for \$10 gift cards, rather than \$5 for sign up genius for gift cards. Additional support may be solicited as needed closer to the Holidays. We currently have funds in a counselor’s fund for a staff member in need that will be distributed in gift cards. Eric shared that Guided Studies is currently offered in our building on A and B days. On B day Guided Studies, students will begin to attend a Design Thinking Lab. This will allow students to begin the process of thinking in a Design Thinking way on a more regular basis. Students will be given the option to sign up for the Design Thinking Lab topic of their choice. They will choose a first and second choice and will be assigned one of their choices. Genius Hour will be offered for those who want to investigate their own topic, or whom might not have found an option that interests them. CANVAS is the resource for accessing student grades. Parent Vue will be the record of grades for quarter and semester grades.
- VII. PRESIDENT’S REPORT—BVSDOPKSparentgroup leaders is our new website. Over 240 teachers hired. Middle School Task Force has begun. The inhouse meetings are on alternating Wednesdays. All

meetings are open if you wish to attend. We do not currently have a fund for those in need. One option is to give varied dollar value gift cards to counselors to distribute as needed.

VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED. NEXT MEETING Friday, December 1, at 9:00 a.m.