

## **SMOS PTA Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, May 9, 2019

7:00pm

33 in attendance

1. **Opening Prayer & Welcome** - Julia Merideth
2. **President's Report** - Julia Merideth
  - a. PTA executive board for 2019-2020
    - i. Julia Merideth will remain President, Ebony Ingram will become President-elect, Angela Faul will remain Secretary, and Julie Mudd will remain Treasurer.
  - b. PTA committee chairs have been filled for the Dance, Pizza Day, Art @ SMOS, and Room Parents.
  - c. Our new principal, Clare Abkemeier, introduced herself! She is excited and eager to be a part of our welcoming community.
  - d. 8th grade portfolio breakfast
    - i. New request this year; breakfast will be provided for 8th graders and their parents during portfolio presentations. MOTION: Portfolio breakfast should become a new tradition and line item in the PTA budget. VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.
3. **Treasurer's Report** - Julie Mudd
  - a. \$25 Target gift card was given to both Ms. Wilder and Ms. Soderquist for their new babies.
  - b. Harry & David baskets were given to Chris S. and Jennifer S. for administrative professionals day.
  - c. Thank you from Peggy Hoy for the donation to the 8th grade party, and from Emilie Overberg for the 2nd grade picnic.
4. **Committee Reports**
  - a. Special Projects - Emily Schiltz
    - i. There will be a "party on the blacktop" on the last day of school for the students in honor of Ms. Hased's retirement. There will be snacks, activities, and the Bubble Bus from 11:15-11:45, followed by an all-school assembly from 11:50-12:15 to wish her farewell.
  - b. Outreach - Rochelle Albright
    - i. Welcome mass will be June 15 at 4:30pm.
    - ii. There are currently 27 new families for next year. We are in search of mentor families, specifically ones who will have a PreK child in the fall. Please contact Rochelle if you're interested!

- c. Field Day/Pizza Day- Chelsea Dieters
  - i. Last pizza day will be May 24, which also happens to be field day. About 24 volunteers needed to serve all students at the park and at school. See signup sheet that was sent via email this week.
  - ii. MOTION: Request for \$20 to buy field day related supplies. VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.

## **5. New Business/Parent Questions**

- a. Emilie Overberg - The end of the year picnic will follow our Festival of Nations themed week with food trucks from FarmTruk and Locos Tacos. The grill will be going for anyone who wants to grill their own meat. A snow cone truck will also be on site, along with kegs of water from 4Hands (BOY water bottle) and adult beverages. The cost of the picnic comes to \$1681. AA has committed \$400, and PTA has traditionally donated \$500. MOTION: PTA will increase contribution to \$750, and the school budget will cover the remaining gap, per Ms. Heses. VOTE: All in favor. Motion passed.
  
- b. Carrie Redd - Suggestion to hold a Back to School Parent Party at Mad Art Gallery on Friday, August 23. The ticket price will be \$50/person (with late signup increase to \$65), and will include food, beverages, and entertainment. This price point will yield a profit.
  - i. Traditionally this party has been an Auction item, offered for the start of the Auction "off" year. Tickets were sold at the Auction and potential profits went to the school as regular Auction dollars. Because there were so many items at this year's Auction, the idea is to offer it as a PTA event, with potential profits benefiting PTA.
    - 1. A lively debate was held as to whether or not this type of high price event should be held as a PTA event, in light of the efforts to promote inclusiveness and a welcome community to all at SMOS.
    - 2. MOTION: PTA will promote and provide the upfront costs for this event, with all profits to benefit the Teacher Grant Program. VOTE: Majority in favor, 7 opposed. Motion passed.

**6. Adjournment**      Next meeting -- June 11, 2019 -- 7pm