



SEMS PTO Meeting Minutes

August 24, 2023 @ 1:00pm

Members Present: Robin Holland, Alesia McCully, Lindsey Smith, Tricia Storey, Jodi Rowin, Julie Murphy, Drea Colores, Kristin Jenkins, Jill van Es

Guests: Jill d'Artenay, Lauren King, Gretchen Foster, Jessica Ackerman, Kelly Hill, Lori Davis

President Robin Holland called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm.

A motion was made by Kristen Jenkins to approve the May minutes. Julie Murphy seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

I. President Report - Robin Holland

- A. Back to school breakfast
 - a. Thank you to all that helped set up the back to school staff breakfast, Kristin Jenkins, Jocelyn Frost, Alesia McCully, and Lindsey Smith.
- B. BTSN
 - a. September 7th - 6th and 7th grade
 - b. September 14th - 8th grade
 - c. 5:45 pm - 7:30 pm both days.
- C. Book Fair
 - a. Starts same night as back to school night, 9/7- 14 7:30- 2:45/ 1:45 weds open and lunches
 - b. PTO will sent out volunteer opportunity for this
- D. Recruitment
 - a. Many of us are leaving and moving on to other schools and are in need of replacements.

II. Treasurer Report - Robin Holland for Jamila Gowdy

- A. 2023-24 Budget
 - a. We will be operating at a loss due to the loss of Color Battle last year. Hoping our own version of this will replenish what we lost last year. Drea Colores, Jill d'Artenay, and Kelly Hill will be running it.

- b. There was a general overview of our budget. It still reflects \$30,000 for after school enrichments and tutoring. Hops in Hills was reduced to \$4,000 to reflect what was received this past year.
 - i. Jodi Rowin made a motion to approve the 2023-24 budget, Lindsey Smith seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed.

III. Administration Report - Tricia Storey

- A. Back to School report
 - a. Thank you to the PTO for all your work, much appreciated.
 - b. Welcome back and web days went great.
 - c. The Welcome Back staff breakfast was outstanding and the teachers loved it.
 - d. Homework time starts next week in the library after school.
 - e. The weekly email will also include any needed info from teachers, PTO, and athletics.

IV. Fundraising Report - Julie Murphy

- A. Fund the Nest
 - a. Thinking of doing some sort of homeroom contest to motivate donations.
 - b. We will start the push for Fund the Nest on BTSN nights and will run for 2 weeks.
 - i. Need to work on incentives for the contest.
- B. Spring Fundraiser - Drea Colores
 - a. Our own version of the Color Battle will take place on March 8, 2024.
 - b. The push for this fundraiser will start on February 26th.

V. Communications Report - Lindsey Smith

- A. Will make posts next month for Fund the Nest kick off.

VI. Volunteer Report - Jodi Rowin

- A. Will send out Sign up genius for Book Fair volunteers next week.

VII. Spirit Wear Report

- A. Spirit Wear continues to be sold online through Big Frog.

VIII. ASB - Jill van Es

- A. Thank you for the sweatshirts that were funded by PTO, they were a hit.
- B. Talked about possible incentives for Fund the Nest homeroom contest.
- C. Would like to have a larger version of kahoots to allow more students on at the same time.
- D. ASB elections are coming up.

- E. Would like to do Club Rush in September.
- F. The 8th grade dance will be December 8th from 6-8pm.

Teacher Social Committee - Lori Davis

- A. Received around \$2000 from dues which didn't quite cover the 2 holiday parties. PTO does cover the rest.
- B. Would like to do art events with staff, asking for some funds to cover some supplies (tie dye, paint pour, pottery).
- C. Looking for fun ways to get students and teachers together with games such as kickball, basketball, soccer, and pickleball.
- D. Would like to do an on campus happy hour for staff with lawn games and refreshments.
- E. Robin Holland asked Lori Davis to come back with art supply costs and then we can vote on what we can subsidize.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:09pm. Next meeting will be on September 21, 2023.