

SEMS PTO Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2024 @ 1:00pm

Members Present: Robin Holland, Alesia McCully, Lindsey Smith, Jamila Gowdy, Jodi Rowin, Tricia Storey, Drea Colores

Guests: Bianca M., Wendy Garafalo

President Robin Holland called the meeting to order at 1:01pm.

A motion was made by Lindsay Smith to approve the December minutes. Jamila Gowdy seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

I. President Report - Robin Holland

A. Looking to fill open positions for the next school year: President, Secretary, Treasurer, VP Fundraising, VP Communications, and Hospitality.

II. Treasurer Report - Jamila Gowdy

- A. Went over income/expenses.
- B. Funded the Math Nest program.
- C. Placed a P.E. order, the department has now used up all their funds for the year.

III. Administration Report - Tricia Storey

- A. Thanks again to PTO for supporting the after school programs and tutoring. They will be starting back up January 29th.
- B. Also thanks for supporting the Math Nest program. The program is currently just for 7th and 8th graders by invitation only.
- C. Wrapped up winners of Iready and Panorama. We are going through the data.
- D. Project Alert has started, kids are playing games now in SEMS circle during lunches and enjoying the balls that were purchased.
- E. The PTO office has been removed and all items are being stored in closets in PAC until a new space is found.
- F. The front office was revamped to create a more welcoming and safe space.

IV. Fundraising Report - Drea Colores

- A. Color the Nest/Color Battle kick off will be on February 26-27 and the actual battle will be on March 8th.
 - a. The Pledge Star website will cost us \$1000. Donations will be made through the website and any check donations should be turned in to the front office.
 - b. We will hand out a half page flier to all 1480 students with info about registration and tiers of prizes.
 - c. Will need to coordinate with ASB to hold lunchtime pep rallies during lunches on kick off day.
 - d. Will also promote on SEMS TV.
 - e. Discussed donations tiers and possible prizes.
 - f. Went over supplies needed to make the event happen.
 - g. Plan to do a homeroom competition.

V. Communications Report - Lindsey Smith

A. Put a post on Instagram regarding the PTO positions needed for next year. Will also post on parent site to get more awareness. Would also like to do a post per day highlighting each position.

VI. Volunteer Report - Jodi Rowin

A. If volunteers are needed for the spring fundraiser, then we will put out a Sign-up genius.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:59 pm. Next meeting will be on February 15, 2024.