



DRAFT MINUTES

SSCPS Parents Association

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Meeting Date & Time: Wednesday, February 16 @ 6:30

Meeting Location: Zoom

Attendees:

Katie Vecchione, Laura Foley, Andrea Poudrier, H Achille, Denesia Tardif, rsamuels, Moulay Ridaoui, Linda MacDonald, Vanessa Fuentes, Anne Bell, Stephanie Inniss, Elsy Njau, Stella Schandorf, JOSELYN ZHONG (Lam Yong), Chris Ogbewe, Shanda Stepp, Michelle Rankin, Perkins, Judette Joseph, Brenda Kozuch (Brenda), Liz Sweeney, Alisha Uhlenbrock-Furst, Ramona Porter, Barbatine Saint-Louis, Eileen Dorrian Lefsky, Saio, fpena, Patricia Kelley, Debbie Harper-Padula, Ana's iPhone, Ana Costa, Joliane McRae

Please note that these names were recorded from your Zoom names. If incorrect, please reach out and let us know at apoudrier48@yahoo.com

1. Welcome

- Katie opened meeting
- Minutes from last PA meeting to be voted/approved
 - Motioned – Laura
 - 2nd – Anne
 - Approved unanimously

2. Treasurer Update/Grant Requests

- Starting Budget \$5000
 - \$362 Educational Tech Platforms for Pre-AP World Literature - Approved in Nov
 - \$984.93 Shelf replacement for Kassandra's classroom – Approved in Nov
 - \$358 Cricut machines – Kaitlyn Curry – Approved in Jan
 - \$639.80 Rolling carts for K classrooms – Melissa Freitas – Approved in Jan
- Remaining balance: \$2,655.27
- Grant request form can be found on sscps-pa.org

3. Level & Grade Representative Updates

- **General**
 - Intent to Return is due 2/28
 - Enrollment application due 2/28 (current student do not need to re-enter lottery but siblings do)
 - Lottery 3/4
- **Kindergarten**
 - No update
- **Level I**
 - • Farm days are back!

- Grades I and II will be visiting Holly Hill Farm for a winter woods walk. Students will leave SSCPS at 11:30 and return by 2:00. Please be sure that your child is dressed for the weather on their farm day. Children will need boots, hats, and mittens. If snow remains on the ground, they should wear snow pants. The farm schedule below.
 - **Grade One:**
 - Monday, February 7th - Deana's Pod
 - Tuesday, February 8th - Jessica E's Pod
 - Wednesday, February 9th - Nikiesha and June's Pod
 - Thursday, February 10th - Crystal's Pod
 - **Grade Two:**
 - Monday, February 14th - AuJané's Pod
 - Tuesday, February 15th - Tracey's Pod
 - Wednesday, February 16th - Derek's Pod
 - Thursday, February 17th - Jessica W's Pod
 - Classroom donations are always welcomed
- **Level II**
 - No update
- **Level III**
 - Math homework 2x week will be starting
 - Art at high school 1x week
 - MCAS – ELA in April, Math in May
- **Level IV**
 - The Student Council is talking about a dance, but nothing has been scheduled or approved by administration yet.
 - Will have to wait until late May or June for any scheduled dances
 - Mostly likely use the tent space out back
 - April 14th - 8th graders will be taking the PSATs during the school day.
- **Grade 9**
 - Nothing
- **Grade 10**
 - Stephanie is planning on meeting with the Sophomore class the Monday after break to go over the upcoming testing schedule, course selection process and exit standards reminders.
- **Grade 11**
 - Jr/Sr Prom – May 20th
 - With pandemic, how are students fulfilling community services hours – any changes in hours needed?
 - Katie will be following up with school
- **Grade 12**
 - Jr/Sr Prom - May 20th
 - Graduation – June 3rd
- **Student Rep**
 - Not in attendance

4. Committee Updates

- Fundraising
 - Skating fundraiser on hold
 - Family photo shoots - Norris Reservation in Norwell
 - May 14th
 - May 21st (rain date)
 - More info on pricing and timing to come

- SSCPS T-shirts from Community Day still available!
 - \$10 – white T with pawprint logo – willing to tie-dye if requested for additional \$3– reach out to Andrea at apoudrier48@yahoo.com
 1. Adult XL – 14
 2. Adult Lg – 10
 3. Adult Med – 5
 4. Adult – Sm – 6
 5. Child – XL - 14
- Community Building
- Volunteer Committee
- Communications & Technology Committee
- Library Committee
 - Overdue notices will be going out next week

5. Additional Topics

- School Council update
 - Update from the previous School Council Meeting on Feb 10th 4:30PM-5:15PM
 - Reviewed updated draft of the school improvement plan, highlights include:
 - Anti-racism education – This is an important goal for all areas of the school. A group of 30 teachers and administrators attended the National Anti-Racism Teach In (NART) summit. The administrative team is reading/has read the book “Grading for Equity”. This is important and should be included as an overall goal as well as be imbedded within each academic area otherwise it gets overlooked.
 - The “School to Family” (Strengthen digital communication between home and school) benchmarks were updated from last year and now read in draft form:
 - Schedule a virtual monthly Principal’s Coffee and place on the website calendar, fall 2021
 - Plan for family meetings, parent-teacher conferences, and school events taking into consideration which events have worked well virtually during the pandemic, summer 2022
 - Create a new digital report card for grades K-4, summer 2022
 - K-4 Report Cards - School is evaluating an update to the report card process and tools used. Discussion amongst faculty and parents on what they like and dislike about the information shared in this format and the process to create and review them. Angie and team will be doing benchmarking process to assess alternative options and share them back with this group for feedback at a future meeting.
 - Continue use of social media for communication, ongoing
 - Support students in organizing and prioritizing their digital communications, ongoing
 - The Family Engagement (Assess the current state of the community and plan for increased family involvement in the school) benchmarks read as follows:
 - Increase the diversity of parents involved in school related activities by drawing on digital resources, ongoing
 - Create structures to connect students at the town/community level, ongoing
 - Assess interest in current family outreach events and make changes to reflect current interests, ongoing

- Reestablish the INPAC (Inclusive Parent Advisory Council) group and establish an ELPAC (English Learner Advisory Council) to increase parent voices in Special Education and English Learner programming, ongoing
 - One specific place that the school is asking for help from the PA is with the Relationship Building focus area. This goal reads as:
 - Support students in their ability to form and maintain healthy relationships; foster healing from the trauma caused by the COVID-19 pandemic
 - The school is also asking if the PA could help brainstorm some community building events for the spring and next year.
 - If parents/guardians want to get more engaged in planning/implementing on these goals please come to the next Student Council meeting or reach out to Angie Pepin
- Next meeting Mar 10th 4:30PM-5:15PM
- Mask mandate
 - Following DESE guidance mask mandate has been lifted effective 2/28
 - Exceptions that still require a mask
 - Bus (federal mandate)
 - Nurse's Office
 - 5 days following a quarantine
- At-Home Rapid Antigen Testing
 - Sign up to participate
- Nurse's Appreciation
 - Gift bags delivered to 3 full time nurses and 3 part-time nurses
- Staff Appreciation Event ideas
 - Espresso Dave
 - Crumbles cookies
- PA By-law review
 - Asking for volunteers to assist in updating PA by-laws contact Katie Vecchione at kvecchione@hotmail.com
- Transportation
 - Discussion on transportation needs.
 - Can we look at Grants from state to fund transportation?
 - Fabrina Pena to research further

6. Open Discussion & Call for Agenda Topics for Future Meetings

Closing of meeting

- Motioned - Katie
- 2nd - Anne

7. REMINDERS: Non-Financial ways ALL PARENTS can help SSCPS

Log your volunteer hours: Attend Parent Association Meetings. Every Parent is a member of the SSCPS PA!

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