

SONORAN SKY

Sonoran Sky Elementary PTO Board Meeting Minutes August 1, 2017

Attendees

President – Alison Feinberg

Principal – Rob Dawson

Treasurer - Michelle Jaleeli

Secretary – Jen Taulbee

VP, Marketing – Megan Starr

VP, Fundraising; Student Council - Whitney Crutchley

Chair, Enrichment – Faydra Huntingford

Chair, Hospitality - Anita Elton

Chair, Volunteers – Nikki Coburn

UPC – Marisha Geraghty

PTO Teacher Representatives - Debbie Arn, Erin Spiekerman, Rachael Wyatt

Committee Chairs – Michelle Kass, Julie Burr, Becca Norton, Alison Plotnik, Marcy Tyree

Alyce Neal, Ashley Suedekum, Mary Hatsakorzian, Elana Kutz, Lisa Merendino, Tamara Gold, Becky Schroepfer,

Kyla Johnson, Yutao Jiang, Judy Hudek, Kristen Dezso, Paula Kirklys, Pearl Woodring, May Hajbandeh, Thein

Prem, Alana Raizer

Welcome - Alison Feinberg

Around the room introductions.

Standing Presentation Items

- Principal's Report - Rob Dawson

Thank you for being here. Welcome. Introduction of new Asst Principal, Ms. Ritter. I have been communicating some reminders about upcoming events. A lot of exciting things happening around here, including some building upgrades. We have a few new staff members and teachers this year. We are changing our stance on birthday treats and/or star of the week must be prepackaged. It has always been the standard, but we are going to enforce it this year.

- Financial Report – Alison Feinberg

Piecharts are passed around for review. General report given regarding year end numbers including inflows, outflows, and numbers in regards to fundraising efforts and events. Approximately 66% went directly back into the classroom.

Voting Items - Alison Feinberg

- Minutes from May PTO board meeting.
Alison P moves, 2nd, all aye. Minutes approved.
- Board nomination of Alyce Neal to fill School Spirit & Events chair vacancy
Elana motions, 2nd, all aye. Nomination approved.
- Motion to approve budget oversight of every other year staff t-shirt expenditure. Motion to approve the budget overage not to exceed \$950 by Becca, 2nd, all aye. Approved.

Additional Presentation Items - Alison Feinberg

- PTO Volunteer of Month Parking Spot Raffle – Tamara Gold
- Kudos and Thank Yous – Thank you to everyone who stepped up and contributed over the summer to get our school year ready. Executive Board in particular.

Discussion Items

- Upcoming Events
 - SSOS Backpack Donation - Michelle Kass / Julie Burr
We have two drives – school supply & backpacks, and holiday giving tree that we share with our sister school, a Title 1 school, and those in our own families who need a little extra assistance.
 - Back to School Event (8/7) - Alison Feinberg
We need assistance stuffing school and PTO folders that go home. General preparation to assist the school for the big day.
 - BooHoo Breakfast (8/9) - Melanie Halpert & Dana Kern
First day breakfast for kindergarten families.
 - WooHoo Lunch (8/9) - Open
If anyone is interested in putting this event together, please contact Alison.
 - Kindergarten & general school volunteers – Mr. Dawson
We could always use a few volunteers the first week of school to help guide kids and families. Would like to get the morning greeter program running again this year.
 - Team Thunderbird Roll-Out - Whitney Crutchley
See below.
 - Volunteer Orientation & **Copy Machine Training (8/16)** Nikki Coburn
It is very important to attend this meeting because of the new district paperwork required this year, the new copy machine is very different and it's very important to be trained. We will also have available the Volunteer Interest Form.
 - Back to School Nights & Adults Only Dine-Arounds - Elana Kutz
Planned for both nights curriculum for afterward. Great, fun, social events that also gives back to our school.
 - Ambassador Dance Party (8/25) - Megan Becker
It's a ton of fun and we look forward to it again this year! DJ, popsicles, lots of fun.
 - Health Screenings - Nikki Coburn
If you are interested in helping, please contact me or go to the website and fill out your Volunteer form and I will get in touch with you.
- Other Chair / Committee Reports (as needed)
 - Fundraising/Team Thunderbird - Whitney Crutchley
We are rebranding our annual voluntary donation program. It is now called Team Thunderbird. Similar to last year, we have levels and swag. Hoping to increase our success this year. We will also be incentivizing the classrooms to participate. Drive is targeted from now until the end of September. General discussion on the difference between Team Thunderbird fundraising and CSF and facilitating the knowledge of all of the programs supported at school.
 - CBP - Whitney
Businesses in our community can participate by donating at one of two different levels, or an in-kind donation such as supplying food for teachers on conference night, etc. We promote their businesses on our website, eblast, directory, etc.

- Read-a-thon – Alison Feinberg
In lieu of APEX, we are doing a read-a-thon. Kicking off mid-book fair and looking forward to it.
- Cantina Night – Alison Feinberg
Fun, social evening. Working on solidifying our venue.
- Dine-Around Fundraisers - Marcy Tyree
The Vig is offering a give-back the entire month of September. Contacting other places for dine-around opportunities. We plan to do another Kendra Scott night. J.Crew has also approached us.
- Marketing - Megan Becker
Would love a co-chair for marketing. The spirit store is not quite open but will be soon.
- School Spirit & Events - Alyce Neal
Trunk-or-treat coming up, Talent Show is now in the Fall, another Spring Fling.
- Capital Projects - Alyce Neal
We are looking at new a/v equipment and some extra items for the MPR. We are also looking at an additional playground equipment for our large playground. Submitting proposals to district for approval. We are also looking at maker-space opportunities within the school.
- Hospitality - Anita Elton / Jen Burns
If you would like to help out with baking, organizing, anything related to providing food, snacks, and goodies for our teachers. Please contact us if you are interested.
- Enrichment - Faydra Huntingford
Almost up and running on the website. Our teachers are preparing their classes and we are working on getting everything all set up for the first week of school. Registration will begin on the FIRST day of school.
- UPC - Marisha Geraghty
Discussion regarding all of the business happening at the district, including the upcoming November 7 override. First meeting is on August 16th.

Adjourned 11:32am