



Sedgefield Middle School PTO Board Meeting Minutes

February 15, 2022 at 12:30 pm

- I. **Welcome and Approve Minutes** - M.C./Ann-Miller
 - a. Meeting was held on campus for the first time in over a year!
 - b. Minutes from the January General PTO meeting as well as the January Board meeting were presented and approved.

- II. **Principal Update**
 - a. SIT team meeting showed projected scores to be approximately at the same level as the end of last year. 56% of students made growth. Administration is being intentional about strategies to increase student growth.
 - b. Geometry was a major area of growth for 6th grade students.
 - c. Intervention groups and tutoring groups re up and running to assist students who need to increase foundational learning.
 - d. Zero staff openings. Administration is beginning to look at intent for next year to determine staffing needs.
 - e. Community Service and Partnerships are upcoming. March Dadness, ladies focused event in May. Life Church Sunday events for students that may need more behavioral focus than academic focus. Probably 2 events, one on campus and one near Byers near Siegel community.
 - f. Student academic interest forms will be upcoming. Electives are expected to remain the same. Math 1 placement for upcoming 7th graders will involve identified students solving Math 1 problems one on one with a teacher. Parents will be notified by letter of suggested student placement.
 - g. SMS Administration looking into offering English 1 and Earth and Environmental Science (high school courses) in middle school.
 - h. Restrooms are in need of repair and CMS has a shortage of plumbers, so restroom maintenance is taking longer to complete than usual.
 - i. School pictures have not yet been taken. Ms. Miracle is exploring other potential photographers.

- III. **Treasurer Update**
 - a. All corporate sponsorship donations have been received, bringing Empowering Extraordinary total to \$112,481!
 - b. Charity Solicitation license late fees totaled around \$300. We are unsure as to why we have this license and how we cannot be exempt as an NC public school. Conversations are ongoing.
 - c. Current spending: Volunteer lanyards, Prospective Parent event reimbursement, Spartan fund—hotel for family in need, staff appreciation, Hoplite portion of Empowering Extraordinary, field trip bus expense, Novels for ELA, EOG prep, Student Council support.
 - d. New line item added for miscellaneous technology expenses including podcast materials and mousepads.
 - e. Cash on hand \$78,281.72. \$41,088.21 is available for remaining expenses this school year.
 - f. A meeting will be held to discuss staff appreciation expenses including meals, snack bags, and staff gift.



IV. **Nominating Update**

- a. Nominating Committee Slate was presented for a vote and approved. Lynn McDonald, Amy Britten, and Lauren Brandt will join Laura Murdock and Meredith Murchison who will serve as co-Chairs. April Whitlock will act as an advisor to help recruit rising 6th grade families.

V. **Communications**

- a. Spartan Express will be sent March 1st, content due February 22.
- b. Website Security upgrade costs approximately \$250 and will include increased coverage, upgraded service, and increased support from the company.

VI. **Staff Support**

- a. Staff Valentine's lunch from Something Classic was very much appreciated.
- b. Planning will soon be underway for Staff Appreciation week.

VII. **Student Support**

- a. Possibility for a parent to act as an advisor to Student Council.
- b. Spring Planning Update
 - i. Field Day - 4/8
 - ii. 8th Grade Dance will be held 4/29 from 6:00-8:00. Location/masks TBD. Student Council needs to consider expenses like DJ, catering, location (if off campus), and décor to determine estimated cost. Parent volunteers, school resource officers (2), 12-15 administrators and staff will be needed.
 - iii. Spring Event - 5/20 (bingo and tie dye or bingo and mini talent show?)
- c. Volunteer opportunities (Greeter, Lunch Buddy)

VIII. **President's Update**

- a. Are extra HAC bags needed?
- b. Behavior Incentive for March will be chips and a cold mini soft drink. Assistance will be needed to ensure soft drinks are chilled.
- c. Mascot costume costs will be around \$3,500-\$4,000. Designs will be presented at the next Board meeting to narrow it down to two designs for students to vote for their choice.
- d. Parent Room clean-up 9:00-12:00, Wednesday February 16th
- e. Potential for a Hispanic Family engagement night.

Upcoming Events:

February 21 - No School - Teacher Workday
March 4 - School-wide Behavior Incentive
March 9 - Early Release Day
March 15 - SMS PTO Board of Director's Meeting
March 24 - PTO-Sponsored Woo Hoo Cart
March 28 - No School - Teacher Workday
March 30 - Early Release Day