



# SEDGEFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL

## PTO BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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April 23, 2025 | 12:00-2:00 | In-person Meeting

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### Meeting Invitees

Kyle Bumgardner, Chrissy Brown, Lauren Gomez, Alison Hackney, Susan Holloway, Ann-Miller Mattocks, Suzy McIntosh, Sheena Miracle, Meredith Murchison, Cara Pearsall, Evonne Peterson, Ginny Sloan, Liz Waller, Margaret Jane Willoughby, Raechel Zientek

### Meeting Facilitators

Alison Hackney and Liz Waller, Co-Presidents

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### Welcome and Call to Order

Alison Hackney and Liz Waller, Co-Presidents

### Approval of March PTO Board Meeting Minutes

Susan Holloway, Secretary

- Susan will send March and April PTO Meeting Minutes via email for approval

### Principal Update

Sheena Miracle, Principal

- CMS testing schedule has changed to allow for re-testing to happen during school hours and prior to June 10. There are 3 holidays in the testing window when tests cannot be given.
  - May 22 – 8<sup>th</sup> grade science and 7<sup>th</sup> grade Math 1 EOGs
  - May 28 – School-wide ELA EOGs
  - May 30 – School-wide Math EOGs
  - June 4 and 5 – retest dates
- I-Ready results received. Beginning of year, I-Ready projected 53% of SMS students proficient in ELA. Actual I-Ready results showed 63% of students proficient in ELA. Beginning of year, math was projected to be 50% with 60% actual. Admin is hoping MVPA results will look similar to I-Ready proficiency scores, resulting with a school grade that will be a high C, possibly a low B.
- Scavenger Hunt, with approved cell phones, planned for students who show growth.
- Incentives, including color run, planned for following EOGs.
- Still hiring for 2 positions. May have found a candidate for a second counselor. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Math position is still open. Additional ELA position is also still open.

### SMS Staff Update

Evonne Peterson, Art Teacher/PTO Staff Representative

- Attending a field trip today.
- Ms. Peterson working with an outside contractor to repair the kiln.

### Budget Update

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Raechel Zientek, Treasurer

Suzy McIntosh, Assistant Treasurer

- Capital Expense Review
- Multi-year use expenses: gym tarp, blinds in the cafeteria, scanners for Chromebooks, etc.

- Monthly Budget Review
- Continuing to receive donations.
- Looking for surplus areas in the budget for the year and planning to those areas spend down. \$20k must remain in the bank account.
- DCA grant funding will no longer be needed to include the purchase of Chromebook for the “centers.” Ms. Miracle was able to find 16 Chromebooks from CMS. Looking into a book study for the teachers focused on students’ engagement.
- Additional spending ideas: update the sound system in the auditorium and enhancements to the stage; murals.
- Ms. Harmon requesting additional funds to support the yearbook layout.
- Golf team only had one team shirt that they shared all season. TBD on uniform purchases for teams. Needs to be consistent across all teams (parents buy some, PTO buys some, etc.). Follow-up with Tatom on plan to streamline uniform purchases across all sports.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance will spend all their remaining budget.
- Field Day expenses still coming in.
- Per Ms. Miracle, the PTO needs to be prepared for field trips to cost more in 2025-26. Interactive field trips are the most popular with the students. Each grade received only 1 field trip this year. In years past they have had 2 field trips.

## **PTO General Business**

Alison Hackney and Liz Waller, Co-Presidents

### **Please update your Roles and Responsibilities documents in the PTO shared drive!!**

Update on the PTO Slate for 2025-26 School Year

- Most all positions filled except for a few committees and co-president to work with Ginny Sloan. Meredith Murchison will serve as Past President. President-elect is Chrissy Brown and Bethany (last name). Suzy confirmed as Treasurer. Cathy Molton will serve as Treasurer-elect.
- Executive PTO Board voted and unanimously approved the Slate as submitted.

Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week

- A breakfast and a lunch provided from the PTO. Other treats and snacks provided by community partners.
- WooHoo cart will attend the staff meeting. Tiff’s Treats cookies/brownies also provided for staff meetings.

Administrative Staff Appreciation Week

- Scheduling Taco Mama lunch for front office staff. Ms. Shields has returned.

Spartan Games! - Friday, April 25

- Rescheduled to this Friday given the rain on the previous date.

Blue Out! - Wednesday, April 23

- Scheduled for today! Pompoms, face paint, food trucks, etc. all confirmed

Athletic Banquet

- Scheduled for May 1. Parent Square message went out and following up with Tatom on sending registration link via BAND.

Hoplite Update

- Remaining Hoplite funds have been received by the PTO. Part of those funds used to pay for Sports Banquet awards, medals, and plaques for 2025.
- Next steps: remove Hoplite sign from scoreboard.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance

- DJ, Photo Booth, decorations, etc. all confirmed
- Some 8<sup>th</sup> Grade teachers also attending. Asking for help with more male chaperones/volunteers.
- Tickets are \$15/each, includes food.

## Graduation

- PTO will purchase ferns, 4 frames for certificates.
- Ms. Miracle and her team are coordinating the logistics for the event, including check-out process for students after the ceremony. Hoping to invite back 2024 Spartan Award winners for the ceremony.
- Staff member will film the awards portion of the ceremony.

## Calendar Review

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| April 23       | Blue Out – Soccer and Baseball games    |
| April 24       | Science Benchmark Testing               |
| April 25       | Spartan Games                           |
| April 29       | Math Benchmark Testing                  |
| April 30       | Reading Benchmark Testing               |
| May 1          | Athletic Banquet                        |
| May 5-9        | Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week         |
| May 8          | Rising 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Pep Rally  |
| May 13         | Spring Band Concert                     |
| May 16         | Behavior Incentive                      |
| May 16         | 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Dance             |
| May 14         | PTO Board Meeting (12-2pm)              |
| May 22         | General PTO Meeting via Zoom (6:00pm)   |
| <b>May 26</b>  | <b>No School – Memorial Day Holiday</b> |
| May 28         | Science EOG                             |
| May 29         | Math EOG/EOC                            |
| June 3         | Reading/ELA EOG                         |
| June 6         | Kona Ice                                |
| June 9         | 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation        |
| <b>June 10</b> | <b>Students' Last Day of School</b>     |
| <b>June 10</b> | <b>Fourth Quarter Ends</b>              |
| June 11-22     | Teacher Workdays                        |
| June TBD       | PTO Board Meeting                       |

## 2025-2026

- Date for Matthews Playhouse Play – Tentatively February of 2026
- Still TBD: Dates for 2026 DC trip and date for rising 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent meeting in April 2025

## Round Table Updates

Athletics – Kyle Bumgardner

- Coach Tatom and Susan Holloway finalizing awards for Sports Banquet

CMS Communications – Ann-Miller Mattocks

- No update from CMS

Family Engagement – Chrissy Brown

- Covered updates earlier in the meeting

PTO Communications – Lauren Gomez

- Over 400 on SMS email distribution list

SIT/Community Partners – Ginny Sloan

- Ms. Eldridge working with community partners on teacher/staff appreciation (ice cream truck, raffles, etc.)

- Clothing donations are continuing to come in for in-reach

Staff Support – Margaret Jane Willoughby

- Considering a “Build your own trail mix”, popcorn, snacks during a week that is not a testing week

Volunteers – Cara Pearsall

- Board members shared funny stories from their Spring Break trips.

### **Next Steps and Adjournment**

Alison Hackney and Liz Waller, Co-Presidents

- Next PTO Board Meeting – May 14, at 12:00pm in the Media Center