

PTO Minutes : March 4, 2019

Call to Order: Pres: The March 4, 2019 meeting of the SSESH PTO is hereby Called to order 6:09pm

Reading and Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from our last meeting are electronically distributed on our webpage, **President:** does anyone have corrections, great since there are no corrections the minutes are approved as read

President Report:

Old Business:

-our March Coffee speaker, Mary Yenik, spoke to us about the Nurtured Heart Approach to parenting. She was so amazing we are bringing her back again May 14 for part 2. If you can read "transforming the Difficult Child: the Nurtured Heart Approach" by Howard Glasser and Jennifer Easley

New Business:

-next Buff Burger - May 17th

Holli Richardson our Fine Arts Teacher Rep: Fine Arts update:

- Hamman Hall is the location for the Musical this year which is terrific and accommodates a larger group (450 seats). The plan is to make sure that SSESH community will have their opportunity to purchase tickets before we open up tickets to prospective parents, church groups, high school fine arts directors, etc.
- The visual art show is happening conjunction with the Musical at Hamman Hall as well.
- April 1st we will open it up to the community beyond and potentially some complimentary tickets for our sponsors.

Allison, PTO communications - current signups and voting procedures for May meeting:

-looking for parents to volunteer as parent ambassador for our upcoming April tour: sign up link in the latest hallway.

These slated officers as well as any other individuals who complete the nomination form to self nominate and submit that information to me by March 22nd will be included on the written ballot at the May meeting.

PTO bylaws on voting:

*Section 2: VOTING—Each member in attendance at a PTO meeting is eligible to vote, one vote per household. Absentee and proxy votes are not allowed

When you arrive for the May meeting the sign in will be a bit different as you will need to mark yourself off of a list of school families, once that has been completed one ballot will be provided for each family and votes will be collected until 6:15pm so that the tally can be counted and the new officers can be announced before the close of the meeting.

Chevonne, PTO president elect - presentation of 2019-2020 PTO board slate, reminder about ongoing community projects:

2019-2020 Slated officers

President - Chevonne Greaser

Vice President - Stephanie Capps

Treasurer - Jessica Parkerson

Communications Secretary - Allison Kellogg

BoxTops, we are always collecting them - please connect this to your community - get grandparents, neighbors and friends involved.

Summer Camps at SESH

Gladis Martin - Summer camp coordinator for SESH (Lower School)

Camp has lots of fun but is also an enriching their learning and extending what we teach during the school year in a montessori setting. The SESH summer camp is also a great opportunity for students who will be new in the fall to get acclimated to the school, the classrooms and spaces.

Session topics for Lower School

1. Bugs life
2. Under the sea
3. Dinosaurs
4. Crazy science

Session topics Lower EI through 6th grade - (Coordinated by Darcy)

1. Music and Sound
2. Watercolor
3. Ceramic Sculpture
4. Screen printing

A great benefit is come into the summer program and come into the fall with a group of friends and familiarity of the teachers. There is no deadline to enroll as long as there is availability. Non refundable \$195 registration fee, no partial weeks are allowed but you can attend one of the two weeks of the session. There is now an online payment option.

Community Interaction: Q and A with Jerri 15 mins

- Middle School is off to DC, work is continuing on the Middle School building
- Re-enrollment on Friday night was up from the past two years. We have had so few issues with the contract system, so that has been great.
 - Working out some issues with primary parents assigned to
 - Reduced hiccups in the entire process.
- Calendars - main dates out by the time tuition is posted and hoping to finalize the calendar so that it is absolutely finalized and there will not be any last minute changes. The church will have input as well to be sure that there are no conflicts.
- Start of school - for example, will be a Tuesday which is a bit different with all students as a half day. Refer to email from Jerri for more details about these main dates for the upcoming school year.
- Attendance is very encouraging at the campus tours that people in the community are interested in filling any of those additional spots.

Closing Summary and Adjournment:

Since there is no additional new business on the agenda I will close this meeting of the PTO. A reminder if you have items you want to get on the agenda for our next meeting please email us.

Our next meeting of the PTO be the April 4 special presentation on cyber safety by crime stoppers at the **Community House** immediately after drop off. Our final evening meeting will be May 6 here at pecore. And our last coffee will be May 14 in the Community House.