

## Approved 09/12/17 PTO MEETING MINUTES

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### **Approval of 06/01/17 Meeting Minutes (Donna Aylsworth):**

Minutes approved

### **Principal's Report (Mrs. Rassow):**

Mrs. Rassow welcomed everyone to the new school year. She also announced:

...there was an enrollment surge at South Davis. The school went from 327 students last year to 352 students this year. There were 30 new students to the school - this was not including the normal flow of exiting 5<sup>th</sup> graders & incoming Kindergarteners.

...code of conduct assemblies to be held – forms to sign will be sent home.

...there will be Volunteer Orientations to be held before both Open House dates at 5:30pm on Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> for all new volunteers & those new to the district. She will be running these. There is now a link for an online orientation for those who can't attend the in house orientations. For those who have already attended, please sign and return the "Annual Acknowledgement" letter that was in the PTO folders that went home. Additional copies were available at the meeting & are also online under the PTO link.

... South Davis has been selected to be a teachers college project school with Columbia University. There will be a reader's workshop for K-5 at Windom, Ellicott & South Davis. K-2 lab site here.

...discussed the Virtual Backpack that is on the website. Community groups can also post flyers with preapproval through the district office.

...Rachel's Challenge is entering year two. In addition to South Davis & Eggert, Ellicott & Windom are now also joining the program.

### **Mrs. Holowka:**

She advised that Orchard Park Homecoming is on Saturday, 09/30/17. There are a series of events taking place at the high school during the week. On Saturday morning, there will be a community parade, followed by a free carnival at the high school. Later in the day the homecoming game & the homecoming dance. She suggested that South Davis be part of the homecoming parade with a South Davis float. Theme is "Under the Sea". This was found to be very favorable, & a group will be formed to work on this as the parade is coming soon.

### **President's Report (Michelle Slotman and Patti Mancabelli):**

Michelle & Patti welcomed the group & introductions were made around the room. Welcome back folders (that were sent home with the youngest member of each South Davis family) were discussed.

...announced the following 2017-2018 **open positions:** Holiday House & Basket Auction, Family Fun Night, Science Night and Welcome Wall.

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...Incorrect dates listed on PTO Calendar of Events handout  
SD/WE Holiday concert is on December 6<sup>th</sup> (was listed as 7<sup>th</sup>)  
Holiday House is December 8<sup>th</sup> (was listed as 7<sup>th</sup>)

...They reminded event chairs to meet with Mrs Rassow 3 weeks prior to event for permits & to go over event layout.

...Virtual Backpack can also be used for our events. PDF should be sent to Karen in the office for approval. Paper copies should also be printed & sent home with the students as virtual backpack is new & not always checked. Also, approved PDF can be sent to Katie Fabianski to put in Quick Bits.

...Welcome Back Mixer is Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, after the PTO meeting. The mixer will be at the Byrd House & all parents are welcome to attend.

### **Treasurer's Report (Anetta Hendershot and Chris Popek):**

Anetta and Chris both present. Treasurer's report for July 2017 & budget were handed out. Report given.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Summer Box Tops Drive (Debbie Munson):**

Debbie reported that the summer drive ends 10/02/17. Winning class gets a pizza party.

#### **Book Fair 09/19/17-09/22/17 (Kelly McCabe):**

Kelly announced the book fair dates. A flyer with the class schedule already went home in the backpacks. A volunteer sheet went around for anyone interested in helping. She advised that the visiting author has ties to Houston, TX & that there may be a collection taken at the book fair to help those in Houston effected by the hurricane.

#### **BRO Program (Greg Wollen):**

Greg advised that registration is now open at South Davis, but there are limited spots available. He also advised that the program has now expanded to other districts. Any questions on the program to contact him.

#### **Movin' & Groov'in 09/28/17 (Greg Wollen/Marty Munson):**

The event was summarized – biggest fundraiser of the year, exercise & fun for the kids – families welcome to join & walk with their kids. Volunteers are needed. Signup sheet was passed around for those who could help prior to the event & the day of the event. Flyer to be sent home with additional information. Rain date is 09/29/17.

#### **Fall Fundraiser (Niki Szalay/Chelsea Haven):**

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Niki absent. Chelsea reported that there will be more gift items this year. Starts 11/01/17 with order forms & catalog will be sent home. Orders will be here in time for Christmas.

### **School Spirit Merchandise (Petra Novak):**

Petra advised that flyers were to go out Friday. There is one flyer for all grades. The other flyer is for a special 5<sup>th</sup> grade shirt.

There is also a website that takes credit cards which makes it easier for her – same pricing. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade signature shirts are not on there – they are a separate item/process than the general merchandise.

A vote was taken during the meeting for the purchase of 5 South Davis t-shirts for Mrs. Hurley to have for emergencies. The money would be taken out of the profit of the sales. It was approved.

### **Monthly Retail Coordinator:**

Anetta advised that she did start contacting various businesses to set up fundraising dates. She was filling in until someone takes over the open coordinator position. Details will follow on the locations & dates.

\*Jahna O'Connor is now the monthly retail coordinator.

### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

09/19/17; 6-7:30pm:	Open House Grades 3-5
09/19/17 – 09/22/17:	Book Fair
09/20/17; 6-7:30:	Open House Grades K-2
09/26/17:	Zoup Fundraiser
09/28/17:	Mov'in & Groov'in
09/29/17:	Mov'in & Groov'in Rain Date

**NEXT MEETING: OCTOBER 5TH; 6:30PM**