

SCARLETT MIDDLE SCHOOL PTSO



Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2019 – 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Our Mission: To facilitate close cooperation among parents, teachers, and students in order to raise funds for a variety of enrichment opportunities and foster a strong learning community!

Welcome and Introductions

- Attending: Jaye Peterson, Margarita Barrientes, Victoria Engling, Amy Balzer-Pemberton, Leslie Wilkins, Devin Hutchings, Jill Priestley, Carolyn Holland, Serry Gardner, Laura Lovasz, Kathy Owens, Sri Tharika, Reem Alwan, Tina Jones, Leslie Baugh.

Student Council Update - Ms. Baugh

- Student Council is a group of amazing and hardworking students.
- Two representatives from Student Council presented information about Socktober. They are selling socks to raise money for girls in Uganda. Visit tinyurl.com/y4ywqnvq to order. Also, with the purchase of socks, socks will be donated to the homeless in Washtenaw County.

Presentation by Dr. Peterson: How to Support Your Adolescent Learner

- Dr. Peterson discussed three concepts used by teachers at Scarlett.
 - One is Oral Cloze Reading. This strategy gives students the task of involvement. The teacher reads aloud, but omits highlighted words. Students read the highlighted words together, helping them to stay engaged and pay attention. It also helps students to learn to pronounce/read more difficult words without the potential embarrassment of mispronunciation.
 - The second is the Circle of Power and Respect (CPR). It's a daily meeting meant to build community and trust and has four parts: a greeting, daily news, sharing, and an activity.
 - The last is a social contract. Each CCA worked on a social contract and then the school created a contract based on the students' ideas. This year's social contract is:
 - Embrace diversity.
 - Take responsibility for your actions.
 - Treat others as you would like to be treated.
 - Handle success and failures with grace.
- An overview of the teenage brain:
 - At this age, the part of the brain that makes good judgements is still developing.

- Emotions we are born with are sadness, joy, disgust, anger and fear.
- We are taught sympathy, patience, gratitude, compassion, humility, forgiveness, empathy, optimism, communication, cooperation, assertion and responsibility.

President's Report - Margarita Barrientes

- As a background in PTSO spending, the majority of PTSO funds go to busing field trips because the district does not provide busing.
- The Airtime Fundraiser made over \$500.
- Chili's Restaurant Fundraiser also made about \$500.
- The next PTSO meeting is on November 11th at the Leo's Coney Island Restaurant night.
- The next restaurant night is on October 23rd, or half day, at Marco's Pizza.

Approve September minutes

Minutes were read and approved.

Principal's Report - Dr. Peterson

- Parent/Teacher conferences begin on Thursday and are split by alphabet.
- Testing is over for the fall. There are no more tests planned until March.

Treasurer's Report & Budgeting - Amy Pemberton

- Working on ordering Spirit Wear.
- Because our tax status has been corrected, accounts can be set up on Amazon Smile to earn money for Scarlett.

SCARLETT MONTHLY SUMMARY

ACCOUNT BALANCE	September
SAVINGS	\$10772.81
CHECKING	\$29380.00
CD	\$6045.67
CURRENT MONTH	
DEPOSIT	\$3143.85
WITHDRAWAL	\$400.43

For the month of September, we had income as follows:

\$860.04	Spirit wear
\$251	School store
\$512	Field trip donations
\$525	PTO Thrift
\$310.29	Grocery cards

\$685.52 donations

Expenses were as follows:

\$214.73 School store

\$102.48 Spiritwear

\$28.22 Hospitality

\$55.00 Fees & Dues

2019 8th grade trip \$962.14

2020 8th grade trip \$483.24

2021 8th grade trip \$0

Athletics \$917.68

Scarlett Study Club - Laura Lovasz

- Study Club is now the Roadrunner Ready Club. It's an all school club in which students can stay after school and study with UofM students and community members.
- Roadrunner Ready Club shares a space with Roadrunner club and they also share snacks. Laura Lovasz asked the PTO to help fund these snacks. The PTO voted to approve funding snacks for both clubs.

PTO Thrift Store Update

- We've sold 74 Raffle Tickets. The PTO thrift store raffle is November 11th. The PTO needs help selling them during conferences. Devin discussed ways to make it easier for people to check out raffle tickets to sell.
- A reminder to send the proof that we've included the PTO Thrift store ad to our emails so that we can receive money for advertising.

Fundraising

- Box Tops are going digital this year. Once you have the app, just take a photo of your receipt. Your box tops purchases will go to the school. We are also still collecting paper ones until they stop printing them.
- The Carnival is the biggest fundraiser of the year. We'd like to put together a planning committee now. Planning goes more smoothly with a bigger committee, and the event is more successful. We need organized and creative people to help (you don't necessarily have to be both)!
- Leslie discussed a possible trust donation. If chosen, we could possibly use the donation to fund an all school field trip.
- Cookie dough fundraiser - planning to send cookie sheets home so that students can sell them over Thanksgiving break. Trying to find a supplier with a \$10 price point option.

Meeting adjourned 7:46 pm

Looking ahead

- Next meeting is Monday, November 11th at 6:30pm at Leo's Coney Island