

PTO MEETING MINUTES
September 15, 2014

Members in Attendance: Glenn Sumpman, Margaret Mahoney, Sara McManus, Jessica White, Vickie Salokas, Joanne Dispenziere, Beth Greene, Ashley Donaghy, Beverly Pilger, Stephanie Fryer, Mike Lavin

Began: 7:05pm

Treasurer's Report: Jessica handed out the summary. We have \$16,197.68 in our account. She had deposited money coming in for pizza lunch and mentioned that we had just paid money out for the upcoming Casino Night.

Superintendent Report: Mr. Sumpman gave us all a brief description of his background as most of the PTO members were not here when he previously worked at SWS. He mentioned that he was excited about the upcoming first assembly which will be held on Oct. 3, 2014. It is a visit from an author and will be about reading. It will be broken up into 3 parts geared towards the different grades.

Teacher's Report: Mrs. Donaghy was speaking on behalf of Mrs. Diane Green regarding the 3rd grade books. She is requesting our assistance to pay for them. She will try to come to the October meeting. Mrs. Donaghy also spoke on behalf of Mrs. Yanecko regarding the Trep\$ program. Mrs. Yanecko has agreed to be the program facilitator but will need several parent volunteers to make it happen. Mr. Sumpman agreed to help draft a letter to see if parents in grades 4-6 would be interested in getting involved. He also said he would mention Trep\$ at back-to-school night.

By-Laws- Margaret explained that we had a by-laws meeting last spring and we passed around a copy of them. We have copies available if anyone is interested.

Budget - Jessica handed out a copy of our PTO budget. We had a vote and the budget was approved. Margaret will be sending a letter to the teachers regarding teacher grants. We also mentioned that we are considering offering a scholarship to a high school senior who had graduated from SWS. We were told we could contact KRHS guidance office for assistance. Beverly

Pilger asked a question about the tax money. We explained to her how much we have been charged in the past. She mentioned she will consider doing our SWS taxes next year. We already have someone doing them this year.

New Officers: Margaret introduced Joanne Dispenziere who will be heading up the Fundraising Committee and Theresa Prtorich who will be heading up the Refreshments Committee.

Yearbook: This will be Mrs. Wesighan's last year running the yearbook committee. We need someone to volunteer to take this over next year and to possibly work with Mrs. Wesighan throughout this year to learn how it's done. We would love to have a teacher volunteer along with a few parent volunteers to share this committee and work with the 6th graders.

School Store: This will be Kelli Hickey's last year running the school store. We will be in need of someone to volunteer to take this over next year.

Box Tops: Beverly Pilger volunteered to be the contact person/organizer of the box tops this year.

Back-to-school Night: Will be held Wed. 9/17/14. There is a spot on the agenda for the PTO to say a few words. Margaret agreed to this.

School Directory: Vickie Salokas asked if it would be alright to again compile a school directory. We all found it very useful throughout the year. Mr. Sumpman agreed to allow us to do it. It will be voluntary and Vickie will handle it.

New Lock: Behind the school, there is a shed/closet that is for both the Sandyston Rec committee and the SWS PTO. We need to replace the lock and key. We approved this for \$50.00.

Fundraising: Joanne spoke about the first fundraiser we will be doing. She sent home 111 Kids Stuff Coupon books this week. We make a profit of \$12.50 per book sold. In November, we will be doing Gertrude Hawk Holiday candy sale. Also, she presented an idea of cookbooks as a fundraiser. We will talk more about this in upcoming meetings.

Pizza Lunch: Jessica had a question regarding whether parents with younger siblings at home can volunteer to help with pizza lunch. Mr. Sumpman made the decision to not allow any younger siblings who are not in school at SWS to come to help with pizza lunch. It causes too much distraction.

Costco Membership: Jessica mentioned not renewing her Costco membership this year. She only goes to Costco for the salad bags for pizza lunch and feels the savings is not worth the cost of the yearly membership. Theresa Prtorich said she has her own Costco membership and would pick up the bags of salad once a month for pizza lunch. If for some reason she cannot do this, we agreed to allow Jessica to purchase bags of salad at any local food store.

Upcoming Fundraisers: Casino Night (10/4/14), Holiday Vendor Event (11/22/14), and Tricky Tray (3/20/15).

Family Events: We discussed some fun family events we are considering. A chili cookoff/craft event is a possibility. Mr. Sumpman approved this. Stephanie Fryer said she will head this up. Tentative date is 11/14/14. We also considered a movie night outside, but decided we will have to plan it for mid-September next year.

Meeting end: 8:15pm

Next meeting is scheduled for October 20, 2014.