

**Summit Middle School PTO Meeting**  
**April 30, 2018, 6:30 p.m.**

Meeting called to order 6:30 p.m.

Present: Amy Peckinpaugh, Lara Schreck, Jessica Nix, Brook Sipe, Carrie Parrish, Josh St. John, Mr. Beck

1. Staff Representative Report: Jeff Beck (Athletic Director)

- Summit Athletics has had high participation numbers this school year: 125 participated in fall sports, 155 in winter and 125 in the spring season.
- We've had three Conference Championships this year!! Girls Swim and Dive, Girls Cross-Country and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball. Congratulations to all of our amazing athletes.
- Woodside and Summit received a combined \$20,000 sponsorship from OPS this year. It will be spread out over 4 to 5 years.
  - Some of the money has already been used for new basketball uniforms and a new sound system at the Summit football field for announcements at games and during Physical Education classes.
  - Future plans for the funds: more uniforms, track equipment, etc.
  - Mr. Beck would like to put together an expenditure plan to give a more accurate picture of how the funds will be utilized in the future.
  - Signage for the OPS sponsorship will be coming soon.
- Free physicals were given on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> starting at 8:00 a.m. Information was posted on the website and sent out via email. Any physicals taken after April 1<sup>st</sup> will count for the following school year.
- The Athletic Department appreciates the money received at registration from parents joining the Athletic Boosters and the PTO sponsoring new pads for the football team in 2017.

2. Principal's Report: Josh St. John

- If the PTO conducts a fundraiser in the future or has a surplus in budget next year, some possible items Dr. St. John suggested are the following:
  - Electronic Marquee Sign (approximately \$15,000) outside Summit to promote events such as band concerts, school-wide testing dates, and other general messages.
  - Flat-Panel Screens (would replace projectors on carts and/or "short-throw" projectors on brackets in classrooms)
    - 55-inch in Commons (\$600) for scrolling announcements. ***\*\*UPDATE\*\* In May of 2018, PTO approved \$600 toward the purchase of this flat screen TV effective immediately.***
    - 50-inch for classrooms (\$475 per classroom)
    - 32-inch for media center, Team Time room, etc. as "student collaboration stations" (\$370 each plus cost of tables/chairs)
- New Program to Replace "Natural Helpers" Program
  - The current Natural Helpers Program at Summit was started in 1993 by school counselor, Sharon Fountaine. It is a student leadership program where students are selected by their peers and go through training to help fellow students with any issues/problems they have by asking questions, identifying red flags, etc.

- A new program called "Sources of Strength" will fill a similar role at Summit in 2018 but will utilize additional regional resources. Supported by the Lutheran Foundation, students will also be selected by their peers and student/adult mentors will be trained in the fall through an on-line program.
- Academic Bowl: Summit won 1<sup>st</sup> place in every subject area in the local competition (Math, Language Arts, Science, Social Studies, and Interdisciplinary) and will move on to the next level of competition. Outstanding job representing our school!
- Summit Teacher of the Year: Mrs. Tacket, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Teacher. She is the first two-time award winner at Summit for this well-deserved award. Congratulations!
- Retirements: Carol Blanchard (School Nurse) and Mrs. Schenkel (7<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Teacher). The new nurse will be Maria Lund from Covington.
- Upgrades to building:
  - Improving the drainage system outside the building to alleviate flooding/ice in the crosswalk area.
  - Structural issues with walls in the Natatorium.
  - Entire HVAC System getting upgraded in phases. Should be complete by the end of the summer of 2019.
- Last ISTEP is complete and a new ILEARN test (an adaptive test like NWEA) will debut next year.

### 3. Secretary Report: Lara Schreck

- Minutes from last meeting were emailed, approved and uploaded to the website.
- Kroger Rewards: Received \$994.40 at the end of April for a **grand total of \$4,109.22** for the 2017-2018 school year.

### 4. Treasurer Report: Amy Peckinpaugh

- Income: Received \$60.00 for Honey Baked Ham Restaurant Rebate and \$2.23 from Credit Union dividends.
- Expenses: Paid \$66.84 for Teacher Hospitality, \$500 for Student Awards, \$1,174.47 for 2017-2018 Grants and \$356.50 for the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade End of Year Party. \$1,000 in grant money still needs to be submitted for reimbursement. Natural Helper money will be used next year for the new program training in the fall and \$70 in Staff Incentives remains to be spent this year. Teacher Appreciation committee has been approved to exceed their budget for this school year.
- Current Credit Union Balance: \$10,361.03.

### 5. Committee Reports

#### a. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade End of Year Party (Jennifer Shaw)

- The party took place on May 18<sup>th</sup> and was given a new name this year: "8<sup>th</sup> Grade Send Off" with the theme "Circus Spectacular."
- For an entrance fee of \$10, the students received 2 slices of pizza, dessert, and a drink. There was a DJ, concession stand, Dodgeball tournament and even a petting zoo!

b. Board Positions for 2018-2019: OPEN: President, Vice President.

We have had a few people express interest in the Board President/VP positions for next year, but if anyone else is interested, please contact Board Secretary, Lara Schreck, as soon as possible at [schreckstuff@comcast.net](mailto:schreckstuff@comcast.net). Thank you!

Next meeting: NEXT SCHOOL YEAR. Have a great summer!

Meeting adjourned 7:30 p.m.