

Summit Middle School PTO Meeting
September 10, 2018, 6:00 p.m.

Meeting called to order 6:05 p.m.

Present: Amy Peckinpaugh, Lara Schreck, Jessica Nix, Brook Sipe, Shannon Spikes, Torii Jenkins, Emma Bloom, Dr. Josh St. John

1. Teacher/Staff Update (Torii Jenkins and Emma Bloom, Technology Team Time)

- History for this program: Several years ago, Summit switched to a modified block schedule, which allowed for implementation of a "Team Time", modeled after Woodside's Integrated Solutions Block (ISB). Half the time is with core teachers (Math, Social Studies, Science, English) and the other half involves learning the Technology Curriculum.
- Torii Jenkins and Emma Bloom co-teach the technology side of Team Time for all students. All 686 Summit students will engage in Computer Science experiences this year.
- Summit now has a PLTW Computer Science Curriculum with two modules spread out over three years. PLTW maintains a focus on Activity, Project and Problem-Based Approaches.
- Skills developed in Computer Science: Communication, Critical Thinking, Problem Solving, Creativity, and Growth Mindset.
- Summit's program will host classroom visits this year from members of the community involved in technology.
- There is a growing demand for jobs in the tech industry. Over 600,000 high-paying technology jobs were reported as being unfilled in the United States in 2015.

2. Secretary Report: Lara Schreck

- Minutes from last meeting were approved.
- Kroger Community Rewards: Quarterly amount of \$940.45 was received in September. The program has recently changed our enrollment ID number, but hopefully this won't affect people signing up, assuming most people search by name instead of entering the specific number.

3. Treasurer Report: Amy Peckinpaugh

- Income (July through September):
 - \$2,420 received for Membership in August, exceeding our expected budget by \$920. Amy believes this increase can be attributed to better marketing for our free spirit wear shirt with a donation of \$25 or above.
 - Spirit Wear brought in a total of \$848 in August and September. This is \$352 under budget but there are many more shirts available to be sold during lunch hour and athletic events this year.
 - Kroger Community Rewards: \$940.45 received in September.
 - Dividends totaled \$3.53.

- Expenses (July through September):
 - Registration/Administrative Costs: \$150. Of this, \$100 was for the cash box, which will be reimbursed, and \$50 for a gift for Mrs. Harber's retirement.
 - Spirit Wear purchases totaled \$1,181.
- Current Credit Union Balance: \$11,975.70.
- 2017-2018 Grants remaining to be paid: \$553.35.

4. Principal's Report

- Staff updates:
 - Mrs. Harber (Front Office Secretary) retired and Sharon McAlister has moved into this position.
 - Mary Leininger is the new Computer Specialist, leaving an Instructional Assistant position currently open.
 - Maria Lund is the new school nurse this year.
 - Emma Bloom is a new Technology Team Time teacher.
 - Maggie Kruger is a new science teacher after the retirement of Mrs. Schenkel.
- Practice E-Learning Day tomorrow (September 11th)
- Grading/Assessment practices are evolving throughout the school district to help motivate the students and monitor achievement
- PBIS program continues to be successful
- Email policy: Summit always sends out a newsletter around the 1st of the month from October through May and at the beginning of August. The PTO is welcome to add information to this email when needed. Information needs to be submitted about one week before the 1st of the month.

5. Teacher Appreciation

- The TA chairs will email a sign-up genius for September donations using the contact information from last year. In the meantime, Jessica, Amy and Lara will work on formatting PTO emails for future email blasts.
- Schedule for 2018-2019:
 - September 18th: Coffee and Cider Bar, Desserts
 - October 18th (Parent-Teacher Conferences): Baked Potato and Chili Bar
 - November 19th: Pie for each teacher
 - December 12th: Cookies including cookie boxes for the bus drivers
 - January 7th: Breakfast for the teachers' 1st day back for second semester
 - February 13th: Taco Bar
 - March 19th: Mail box treat - cupcakes
 - May 6th-10th: Teacher Appreciation Week with special items every day, including a BBQ lunch one day
 - May 31st: Staff Breakfast

6. Board Positions Recently Filled for 2018-2019

- Social Media - Teri Litwinko will continue in this position
- PBIS/School Store - Pam Guzman
- Amazon Smile Fundraising - Brook Sipe

- Book Fair - No chairperson required - just need to email a sign-up genius for volunteers (Dates: 10/15-10/19 and 5/13-5/17)

7. Spirit Wear

- Shirts will be sold this Thursday and Friday during lunch periods.
- Dr. St. John will add this information to the morning announcements this week.

8. Grants

Grant applications have been placed in teacher mailboxes with extra copies available in the office. 2018-2019 Grant applications will be due on October 1st. Approval will take place at the October PTO meeting so that teachers can purchase their supplies/materials and use them throughout the school year.

9. PTO Meeting Schedule (2018-2019)

October 15
November 12
January 14
March 4
April 22

All meetings will take place in the Summit Conference Room on Mondays at 6:00 p.m.

Next meeting: Monday, October 15th at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned 7:10 p.m.