

September 21, 2023 Schalm ASK PTO Meeting Minutes
Meeting conducted in-person

Attendees: 17 (Salisa Savel, Teri Zacharov, Teri Drake, Rachel Elias, Sarah Smith, Bianca Sines, Jen Skridulis, Amber Lewis, Amy Colon, Danielle Titus, Dan Titus, Dan Ewald, Amber Gudowski, Heather Todero, Nicole Bye, Kimmy Gabrys, Nicole Wright)

Call to Order: 6:37 pm

President's Report by Heather Todero

Introduction of the Board and attendees

Information about the PTO

Robert's Rules

Reminder that volunteer forms must be filled out yearly and are available tonight.

Items can be added to the district social media as needed.

Secretary's Report by Nicole Wright (prepared by Rachel Elias)

Review of May 2023 minutes. Motion to approve by Salisa Savel, seconded by Danielle Titus. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report by Kimmy Gabrys

2023-2024 Budget Plan. Motion to approve by Jen Skridulis, seconded by Teri Drake. Budget approved.

Budget surplus left from last year, we can come up with ways to spend this money this year.

Encourage use of discretionary funds for teachers this year (include a sign in the lounge).

Salisa Savel requests a budget for balls for cafeteria/recess. Proposed \$200/year. Motion to approve Sarah Smith, seconded by Nicole Bye. Motion approved.

September Budget Report. Motion to approve by Salisa Savel, seconded by Jen Skridulis. Motion approved.

School Board Report by Daniel Ewald

There is an opening on the school board for anyone who would like to apply due to a resignation.

September is National Suicide and Substance Recovery Month.

Minor changes have been made to the school calendar.

Hired a new Assistant Superintendent to handle business, Jackie Johnson.

Principal's Report by Bianca Sines/Nicole McDonald

Fall testing is continuing, not all classes complete. Testing will be done within the first 30 days, data meetings begin the first week of October.

CKLA is the new ELA curriculum. Teachers received 2 full days of training in August. It is a coherent ELA piece and is going well.

Volunteer forms must be on file for anyone working around children, even after-school events; safety first.

Classrooms tentatively can have a maximum of 5 volunteers per event.

Nicole McDonald and Bianca Sines will be sharing after-school events. At least one will always be in attendance.

Clawson had the best improvement in 3rd grade ELA in all of Oakland County!

Staff Report - Salisa Savel

Lots of ice packs and bees at recess. Kids are getting into the routine of things.

Committee Reports/New business by Heather Todero

Committees

- a. **Catalog Fall Fundraiser.** Delivery Nov. 1st. Sign-Up Genius needed for sorting at 1 p.m., pick-up 3:30-6. Heather will help Salisa.
- b. **Dine to Donate-** Amber Lewis, possibly Chelsea Jager
- c. **Christmas in Clawson-** Kimmy Gabrys. Takes place in November, Schalm is responsible for signage to receive funds. Volunteers are needed to place large signs (banners) and distribute signs (mid-October) and take down. Next meeting will have a sign-up for volunteers. The show is a great opportunity for HS volunteer hours. They can easily get all 10 hours done in the weekend.
- d. **Spirit Wear Shop** is currently being set-up. Commemorative shirt designs are being mocked up. Suggestion: "Someone I love was a Schalm Shark."
- e. **Fun Run-** Amy Cooper (last year)
- f. **Staff Appreciation** Rachel Elias, Jen Skridulis
- g. **Holiday Shop-** Salisa Savel & Nicole Bye
- h. **Carnival**
 - i. Game Room- Nicole Bye
 - ii. Kitchen-
 - iii. Auction-
- i. **Scholarship-** Board and Salisa Savel
- j. **Trunk or Treat** with donuts, to be approved in budget. Proposed \$300. Date still needs to be approved. Must coordinate with childcare and sports. Motion to approve Heather Todero, seconded by Salisa Savel.

Open Discussion

Spirit Week next week.

New Girl Scout Troop formation for 4th and 5th Grade. Oct 2nd in the first meeting.

Reminders

Fill out volunteer forms. Join the PTO and our Facebook group!

Door prize

Sarah Smith and Amber Lewis

Meeting adjourned: 7:43 pm