

## SMS PTO Meeting Minutes October 18, 8:30 AM

### AGENDA

- Large fundraising creative suggestions
  - Race
  - Games night
- Technology Sub-committee if able to attend
- Scholastic Book Fair Dec.7-16
- YMCA nights and other social events (dances)
- Speaker planning
- Big Blue Swag
- November meeting location and time (evening)

### MINUTES

- YMCA nights to be planned again. Cost \$600 for two nights. 5/6 and 7/8. Dates TBD. Will require parent volunteers. Target for Winter.
  - A request will go out for a fundraising committee.
  - Election bake sale fundraiser will occur
  - Grade 7/8 dance to be planned for March again. PTO would like to include a fundraising idea – pizza or glow sticks etc...
  - Technology update – N. Paine
    - See below link for full slide show survey results
    - Survey results showed that the existing chromebooks are being fully utilized by all grade levels on every school day.
    - 80% of teachers reported using chromebooks in class
    - Many teachers reported that they would like additional chromebooks/ipads so they are more available to all and to special teachers
    - We currently have SMS WiFi throughout the entire building!
    - This is year 3 of many of the chromebooks and a replacement plan should be planned.
    - A Hardscrabble grant is planned for additional chromebooks
- <https://docs.google.com/a/swampscott.k12.ma.us/presentation/d/1lkdeJD9e4xXXtePoOLugYh0yDPCWJReklwseSZHYn80/edit?usp=sharing>
- Fundraiser: Chipolte Dec. 8 SMS receives 50% of sales – will hand out flyers at school
  - Speakers planned: Executive functioning speaker is of interest. Jaren to follow-up and contact Sarah Ward as a suggested speaker.
  - BB Swag: Sweatpants, PJ pants, Sweatshirt and shirt will be offered just in time for the holidays through Marblehead Sports Shop
  - 2016-2017 PTO budget unanimously approved.
  - Request for funds: RFFs will be discussed on a rolling basis and reviewed at PTO meetings until December. The PTO may consider setting a December and May target for

requests for non-urgent items to allow for prioritization. Post meeting note: Process to be discussed at next PTO meeting so it can be communicated to faculty/staff.

- Library
  - Dec 7-16 Book Fair
  - Dec 7 representative will be in the library all day to train volunteers on the scanner. Email J. Townsend for details. A volunteer sign up will be distributed.
  - February Cultural Arts Grant submission speaker if approved
  - SEF Impact grant for the library under consideration – due January
  - Books requested for library on hold. District under budget freeze