

SMS PTO Meeting

November 14, 2017

8:30am

10 attendees, next meeting January 17, 7pm

Enrichment Update - Roxanne Schena

Indoor Field Trip Requests

-5th grade Museum of Science (indoor visits, scheduled with Mrs. Pappas)

-Elizabeth Englander

Social Media, Online Cyber Bullying,

Lori Sanborn saw her speak, she was amazing!

Should we bring her in to Swampscott?

\$1500 to speak, nations leading expert on the topic, should be held in the SHS auditorium

Professional Development as well (extra cost)

Q&A was very extensive

Focus on behaviors of teens not us focusing on the Apps, etc.

Example: car rule, no devices in the front seat, program them to be prepared not to text/drive

-Mt Washington Weather came for the 5th grade

-Mrs. Beck has an idea regarding a speaker for the 6th grade, bullying, social/emotional wellness

-Rob Surette Painting choices - we would like a woman, board would like Malala!
Friday before holiday break, December 22 - 9-10:30am, 7th and 6th grade only

Water Fillers - Mr. Andrade/Mrs. Vanderhoof

-Thank the PTO for the support of the water filler stations!

-Big thank you sign in the main hallway signed by students and teachers

-First 30 days, saved over 5000 water bottles from the landfills

-A few years in the works, many grants applied for but it all worked out with the PTOs support!

-Blue Marbles gifts for the PTO, represent the planet and that this is all we have, take care of it

Principals Report - Lori Sanborn

-Update on Advisory in the AM - teachers are split, administration loves its (less tardy, less detention, kids are working instead of the afternoon advisory where nothing getting done, more hallway roaming)

-Drug Update - Main office has had some reports that some SMS students are vaping, not surprising, but parents should discuss with their children....no way to tell if it's a cigarette or marijuana or something laced with worse

-2 devices - one like a pen, one looks like a mini flask/flash drive

-SHS students are bringing onto school property

-No sign of edibles yet, but so difficult to regulate what's inside it - yikes

Treasurers Report - Diane O'Brien

- Bills have all been paid
- 23K in the bank
- Roxanne Schena suggested and PTO approved to fund lunch for teachers on conference day and breakfast on last day before holidays

SMS Clothing - Diane O'Brien

- Marblehead sports shop will handle the entire sale!
- Hope to have samples available during the book fair in December
- Long sleeve jersey (less expensive), athletic wear and then thicker hoodies

ASP Update - Alexis Runstadler

- Fall ASP finishes up last week of Nov, teacher payroll numbers by December
- When does next session start? January 2018
- Looking for a graphic designer to take over the pamphlet for next session, Brendyl Christison offered to review
- Becky White and Casey Rakhmanov are slated to take over for next year when Alexis has graduated from SMS

Book Fair - Sandi Moltz, Librarian

- Sandy Moltz will handle teacher sign ups
- Rachel Dicker to handle SignUpGenius (Becky White to send last years)
- Sandy's suggestion to get teachers to commit to coming to the fair
 - Raffle for English teachers who commit to come to the fair? \$75/\$50/\$25 per teacher who will commit
 - 8th grade will be tough to get
- SignUpGenius out on the first week of December
- Book Fair Dates:
 - Wednesday 12/6 - set up at 9am (allows time to review stock and reorder)
 - Monday 12/11 - class visits 8:15-3pm
 - Tuesday 12/12 - 8:15-4pm (half day plus conferences)
 - Wed 12/13 - class visits 8:15-3pm
 - Thursday 12/14 - 8:15-7:30
- Books go back on Friday Dec 15, takedown can go as late as required on Thursday December 14th
- Library Advisory Board will make announcements in their homeroom
- Blog, Website, School wide email, Brochures, Facebook updates - fair \$\$ etc.

Big Blue Bargains - Monica Lagerquist

- Lori Sanborn to research our email issue
- concern that we have lost hours at BBB due to lack of communication

Band \$\$ Request

- Voted to approve on this teachers Request for Funds amount if reasonable
- Brendyl Christison to get back to us on specifics

Gift Cards and Thank you Notes: Casey Rakhmanov

Mr. Calichman, new baby Whole Foods GC

Congratulations Cards – Mr. Moran, Dr. P and Mrs. Regan

Box Tops – Roxanne Schena

-she will collect this session