

PTO Discussion Meeting
July 20, 2011
Minutes

• **Katie Giller will record the minutes**

• **What we learned from other PTO committees**

Kathy Pine handed out a PTO/PTA interview summary with information from 4 local PTO/PTA members. She has this in hard copy if anyone would like to read it.

We like the idea of the PTO having 3 main goals for the year and meetings would be about achieving these goals.

All PTO's offer childcare, and one idea that was popular was to have the 8th graders babysit and raise money for their field trips

We all agreed that minutes from previous meetings would be available on the website, a mission statement would be read at the beginning of the meetings and rules would be read and reenforced at all meetings.

All social events are going to be coordinated by PTO to streamline information and the school community will know who to talk to with ideas or complaints. Social events are Boo Hoo breakfast, pot lucks, Spring Fair, and other non fundraiser events.

Subcommittee leads (beautification committee, fundraising, volunteer committee, CYC, Social events) may have their own meetings and will have a chance to report to the PTO at each meeting. The leaders of each committee needs to set goals for their committee and share with the PTO.

• **Positions**

Kathy Pine used a survey that parents answered to place interested people in different sub committees. We discussed with everyone if they were comfortable with where there name was on the spreadsheet. We still need a lead for CYC Liason. Darcy McNairy is going to speak with the committee to decide who it will be. Katie Giller was moved to Secretary and will wait for the vote. Katie Giller removed her name from fundraising lead. Nadine Harmon was moved to co-lead for Communications with Jeannette Tomany. Leslie Carmicheal will co-chair fundraising with Jen Hagen. Everyone else on the list was happy with where their name was.

• **Where does EDP, Library, student government and Technology fit**

There was a long discussion about the library and where it should be to get support. Should it have it's own committee, and will this mean we have lots of sub committees and volunteer burn out? It was decided that since it is curriculum improvement, it is not the job of the PTO but the staff. The PTO or volunteer committee can get help for the library and Fundraising could have

a fundraiser to buy books, but it should not be its own sub committee. We tabled the discussion for another time.

•**Officer vote**

Officers are going to be voted in by an on-line survey before the next PTO planning meeting. Majority of the votes will win. Kathy Pine will e-mail the survey. Kathy would like all the subcommittee leads to read through job descriptions that were e-mailed and make any changes to the list. Leads should write down their main goals for the next school year.

•**SCSF and PTO**

SCSF and the PTO are going to overlap until we can make a smooth transition to just a PTO. There are certain non-profit rules that must be followed.

•**By the first official PTO meeting we would like to have a mission statement and policies and rules. At the first official PTO meeting we will vote for the 3 mail goals for the year**

Next PTO Discussion meeting is July 26, 2011 6pm SCS