

**South Middle School PTA
General Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2022**



I. 7:00pm Call to Order: Donna Ekl

- A. Welcome and Introductions
- B. Attendance - 12 members: (4) Board, (3) Faculty, (5) General

II. 7:10pm Administrative Reports

- A. Secretary's Report: Allison Tucker
 - 1. Action Item: minutes approved
 - 2. Correspondence
- B. Treasurer's Report: Jenny Skidmore
 - 1. Monthly Report delivered
- C. Vice President's Report: Lauren Rogers - *nothing new to report*
- D. Principal's Report: Dr. Morrison
 - 1. See reports from Associate Principal Sheri Rosen
- E. Teacher Liaison Report
- F. President's Report: Donna Ekl

III. 7:30 PM: Committee Reports

- A. ABC/25 Liaisons: *no update*
- B. Activity Nights:
 - 1. 6th Grade: *after winter so it can be held outdoors*
 - 2. 7th Grade: *after winter so it can be held outdoors*
 - 3. 8th Grade Dance: *outdoor picnic where the kids could dance w/DJ, have parents interested in planning that*
- C. CulturalArts: Sheri Rosen (Admin) *8th grade SS has booked Holocaust 4/22 virtual assembly. Although typically the speaker is free, Sheri requested a donation to the museum in the speaker's name. Approved at meeting.*
Note: *Brian Wolf is new chairperson.*

- D. Directory Spot: *no update*
- E. High School Liaisons: *no update*
- F. Hospitality/Teacher Appreciation: *stock the pantry in the works*
- G. JuvenileProtection: *no update*
- H. Legislation: *no update*
- I. LMC Coordinator: *no update*
- J. Membership/Marketing: Catherine Olson *no update*
- K. Publicity/Social Media: *Catherine will use social media to promote open positions for next year, excess funds committee openings, info about plans for grade level activity nights, & 8th grade EOY plans*
- L. Reflections: Heather Lepold *Fewer submissions than in recent years. Theme for 2021-2022: I Will Change the World By... 5 total submissions this year; 3 Literature & 3 Visual Arts. All 5 projects advanced to Region (Northwest Cook Region). We should learn the list of students who advanced to State by the end of Jan/early Feb.*
- M. Scholarship Application Reader: *need 2 readers, typically 1 from SMS staff and 1 parent. Rosen, Jacobelli, & Olson volunteered.*
- N. Spirit wear: *there will be a spring sale along with 6th grade 4/13 orientation. All styles except for "year" shirts are available in grey, black, or red*
- O. Student Pictures: *Lauren Rogers - 8th grade graduation pictures are 2/15*
- P. Sunshine: *no update*
- Q. Technology/Website Coordinator: *no update*
- R. Volunteer Coordinator: *no update*
- S. Yearbook: *started on content, using social media to explore new yearbook company options, waiting on an invoice*

IV. **New Business**

Need 2 Excess Funds committees to allocate last-year's and this year's excess funds (did not have a committee last year).

V. 735 PM: Adjournment

UPCOMING EVENT DATES

Jan 17 | No School - Holiday

Jan 26 | Middle School Bee

Jan 28 | Report Cards

Feb 10 | District Bee

Feb 17-18 | Conferences