

Attendees – 19 members

Jennifer Young, Tom Leone, Christine Gilbert, Kim Kratzer, Wendy Brademeyer, David Middlin

Rebekah Barten, Kim Bondy, Hugo Gayosso, Michelle Galbraith, Christina Hasselkus, Cindy Kumpelis, Keri Middaugh, Nicole Ridenour, Catherine Tabor, Frances Todoro-Hargreaves, Punam Vyay, Stephanie Ward, Liz Wynn

Review of Minutes

A request for questions & comments on last month's minutes – none.

Treasurers Report – Tom Leone

PTO earnings, expenditures, budget

A lot of activity in December. The report is online on the SA PTO website. The popcorn Friday is a good fundraiser with a good profit margin.

We want to spend the money that we have in the bank instead of holding a large balance because we want the kids that are here to benefit.

We have not received as many donations as budgeted for, we had budgeted \$2,000 for general donations from South Arbor families.

DISCUSSION: Michelle Galbraith asked when will we send out requests. We sent a request on the email system, but we are planning on sending out a special request via mail.

Funding Requests – *all will be voted on during the meeting*

1. Kelly Kmieske is requesting up to \$500 for concessions at the Zap Zone family fun night. Depending upon ticket sales, this money may be fully reimbursed by concessions and ticket sales. - *APPROVED 18 yes, 0 no*

DISCUSSION: This money will not all be used, but money is being requested to purchase concession items and prizes ahead of time. This money is expected to be recovered during the fun night (we will receive a kickback from Zap Zone for each ticket sold).

Updates & New Items

1. Updates from Kelly Kmieske, VP
 - a. Zap Zone laser tag – January 17th
 - i. There are a lot of items that are going to be donated, Hiller's
 - ii. Can we put it on the website to pay by PayPal
 - b. Nomination updates – for next year's board
 - i. Kelly is looking for more board members. The bylaws state that it is a one-year term, but we ran two years because of the PTO generation. We are looking for more people to get new ideas.
 - ii. Elections will be at the May 9th meeting.
 - iii. Keri said that she does not see people from last years nominations that did not make the board last year, and now do not attend the meetings. Why are they not involved?
 - iv. Stephanie said we could put videos on the PTO website.
 - v. Cindy Kumpelis said that maybe all nominees could be at the April meeting so that they could speak about why they would like to be on the board.
 - vi. Wendy B. thinks we should do the speeches in May instead of April so that they can speak and then we could vote.
 - vii. Election items will be posted on the website.

viii. Liz Wynn said that May is a busy meeting. That maybe we should have the voting on a different night. Jen said that it would be doable, but it is in the bylaws for May, and it would need to be changed.

2. Updates from Kim Kratzer, Parent Rep

- a. Kim is going to coordinate family fun events and is looking for an Events Committee; some ideas are bowling, ice skating, roller skating, movie nights, Zap Zone, carnivals, dances, Nerf night, McDonald Family Fun Nights, auctions or drawings.

Kim said that we are trying to do more family fun events instead of fundraisers all of the time; it would benefit the PTO still and creating a community with our school. Kim is looking for some people for her committee. We want to gear it towards all ages.

Events tab needs to be opened up to Kim....there could be a "fill out" screen for ideas. Christine has since added Kim to be an editor to the Events page on the PTO website.

Middle school movie night was a lot of fun. The middle school had rented out a whole theater room at Rave Motion Pictures and the middle school students were able to go (in the evening) for a mixer. It was a fun time. Tickets were \$10 per child – this included the ticket, a snack of popcorn, drink and a small candy and the whole room reserved just for South Arbor.

3. Green Team updates from Keri Middaugh

Cell phone recycling happening on January 17th & 18th. There will be 2 or 3 adults and 6 students walking around collecting the parking lot at drop off and pick up. Teddy Bear Daycare and It's a Small World are both partnering with us and are asking for donations as well.

Mrs. Bondy said that the NHA PR department is interested for contact info for the World Fair Potluck and for the Cell Phone for Soldiers.

Open Floor

The PTO does not want to be known as a fundraiser; we need to do more "fun" things.

Michelle Galbraith stated that it is nice that the parents get to come together too during these kind of events.

Michelle Galbraith said a few words about the World Fair Potluck - this is being done by the Culture Club. These students have picked countries and learned about them and are presenting on that region. Some students are talking about countries that they came from. There will be food from different countries. Kelly wanted to mention that the Culture Club does have a \$600 budget; and nothing has been spent yet. Michelle said most of that money will be used on drinks, utensils, table clothes, etc. Entertainment will be there, it will not be hired out, it will be some of the children doing things such as an Indian dance, singing, etc. There will be different "terminals" and "passports" for each country.

Closing

The Hasselkus family won the Jean Day drawing. Mrs. Brademeyer won the \$10 Target gift card due to Stephanie Ward attending the meeting.

Next Meeting

Thursday, February 21, 2013 at 6:00pm – (one week later due to Valentine's Day)