



SOUTHRIDGE PTO

PARENT-TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Southridge Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

Southridge High School Booster Council Inc. dba Southridge PTO General & Executive Meeting Minutes Wednesday, October 10, 2018

A meeting of the PTO was held Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at 6:30pm in the Southridge Community Room. Attendees included: David Nieslanik – Principal, Ilirija Encinas & Jen Moser – Co-Presidents, Kristin Wood – VP Volunteer Coordinator, Maureen Wagner – Treasurer, Juli Madill – VP-Marketing/Social Media, Diane Scannell – Skymart Manager and Members Sunnie Hernandez and Becky O'Malia.

Call to Order: 6:30pm

Administration Update – David Nieslanik, Southridge HS Principal:

- Looking at the budget for next year; anticipating a \$13 million shortfall for the district.
- Program guide for next year is being reviewed and will be finalized in Dec; not adding anything, just cleaning up the Sports Medicine pathway and fine tuning the marriage between Engineering and IT (Mechatronics).
- Next week is Days of Understanding for Sophomores; senior leaders have been selected to help lead related activities; will have a whole school Days of Understanding activity on Monday that will include community building activities.
- Varsity Football is in the top 16; if they win one of the next three games they'll be in the playoffs; Southridge will likely host a playoff game on 11/2, whether or not Southridge makes it to the playoffs.
- Fall sports are almost over; starting to look toward the winter sports schedule. Cram the Cage was moved to 2/1 (week after finals, runs four days); girls varsity vs Beaverton on that Tues; boys varsity vs Jesuit on that Fri; assembly and dance will be on 2/1.
- Recently hired a new technology support technician; website will now get updated!
- Past events:
 - PSAT was Wednesday, 10/10 and was taken by 164 students.
 - 848 students attended the Homecoming dance.
- Upcoming talking point: juuling and substance abuse issues within the school.
- End of October/beginning of November Southridge will begin state mandated K-12 curriculum around Erin's Law (mandatory consent/sexual assault education).
- Parent member asked how things are going this year between Beaverton HS and Southridge HS. David clarified that Beaverton HS sees Southridge as their main rival, but Southridge sees



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Mountainside as their main rival. Last year there were multiple incidents within the building involving two central students who transferred in from Beaverton HS as a result of the boundary changes. Those two students are no longer at Southridge and there have not been any issues in this regard this year.

Old Business

- Motion was made to approve the PTO minutes from September 12, 2018 and seconded. All attendees were in favor.
- Information Session, Wednesday, 10/24 at 6:30pm: speaker is licensed Psychologist, Dr. Andrew E. Bliesner, Psy.D., in the Community Room. Discussion will include the challenges of monitoring social media use and the effects on the mental health and brain functioning of teenagers. Dr. Bliesner will provide helpful strategies for preventing or dealing with problematic use. Discussion was held how we can promote this presentation. Kristin said she could send out an email to all the volunteers in the Better Impact database. Ilirija will ask Mr. Healy if this can be on the school reader board. Juli will post on Facebook and Instagram.
- Ideas for November's session were discussed. Ilirija sent an email to counselors, administrators, program leaders asking them to submit topics or suggestions for speakers but hasn't received any response yet. Jen suggested it would be great to have a speaker relevant to the Erin's Law curriculum the school will be focusing on at that time. She has a contact she will reach out to at the SARC (Sexual Assault Resource Center) and see if they might be available. An idea for Jen suggested for January (due to the holidays there won't be an information session in December) was to have a presenter from Lines for Life (substance abuse and suicide prevention non profit).
- Skymart was opened on Back to School Night and had a lot of visitors; was definitely worthwhile.
- Write-a-Check campaign: Thank you notes were sent – thanks Jen! Have been asking customers if they would like to round up when purchasing apparel at football games, but were seeing mostly kids at the last couple of games who are buying low priced items.
- Board members were encouraged to sign up for these upcoming PTO activities:
 - 10/12, Principal's Coffee
 - 10/24, Information Session
 - 10/26, Apparel Tent

Volunteer Report – Kristin Wood:

- At the Homecoming dance, volunteers ran out of cups; ASB did try to order more but Mr. Traeger said they had enough (he thought there were more in storage, but when they went to get them that night, they were gone); Diane said Sandy from cafeteria commented the doors were not shut when she came in Monday morning; Kristin will communicate to Mr. Traeger to be sure he and his leadership students make sure all doors are closed.
- Next dance will be Cram the Cage, 2/1.



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- Student Government will be doing a blood drive 10/25 and need one parent volunteer from 7:30-2pm; Jen Moser volunteered

Apparel Report – Jen Moser

- Sale of Leadership t-shirts & fanny packs – Traeger asked if the PTO would be willing to sell these items in Skymart and at the games and split the proceeds; no cost to PTO; items are \$10 each and PTO will get \$5 for each item sold. Board approval was obtained via email. A motion was made, seconded and all were in favor to waive the associated fees; PTO will cover these costs. May also be doing this with the spirit shirts Leadership purchased this year.
- Earrings purchased, 26 pairs, and are on their way.
- Full inventory needs to be taken to determine profit/loss before we can purchase anymore items.
 - Diane did a spot check to compare and see how the inventory checks out and there were some discrepancies.
 - We have an excess in inventory of chromebook sleeves; suggestion was made to approach the middle schools and see if they would like to purchase a supply for \$7, which is virtually at cost (\$6.52 each).
 - Jen is the advisor to the Fashion Club; could have the student members of the club come in and take inventory once a month. Will ask this Friday at the club meeting and get volunteers to come in next week some time.
 - May not be worthwhile to buy large quantities of items that will take us 5+ years to sell (like the chromebook sleeves and lanyards).

Treasurer's Report – Maureen Wagner

- Income/revenue to date from Apparel sales is \$1276, as of 9/5.
- Skymart sales are doing very well this year compared to last year.
- Apparel we have sold more at this time than last year, most likely due to having new merchandise this year
- Grad Night Fundraising is currently at \$606.
- Previous fund requests – Have only received request for reimbursement for the Membean grant.
- Other expenses - \$450 is from Veteran's Lunch Spring 2017; check was lost and reissued this year
- Directors & Officers liability insurance: We had talked about switching brokers; Maureen became aware that it was necessary to renew the policy with the same company so there would not be a gap in coverage; pricing ended up being better sticking with the company we've used previously; extended the existing policy to May 2019 for \$525 annually; will send an invoice for the following year (May 2019-May 2020) because it's a two year policy; may need to do additional paperwork to extend after May 2020. Soft copy of all associated documents are in Dropbox.
- Two staff grant requests were submitted for consideration:



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- Librarian & Student Library Advisory Board, Battle of the Books Books, \$381.21 – Funds would be used to purchase multiple sets of books to encourage participation in OBOB; library book budget has already been used for single set of books; after OBOB the books will supplement freshman Lit & Comp class libraries. A motion was made to approve the grant request, seconded, and all were found in favor.
- Ashley Jetton, Global Classroom Field Trip, \$315 – Funds would be used to pay for bus transportation of 50 AVID students to the Portland International Film Festival. A motion was made to not approve the grant request, as it does not meet the requirements of the PTO by-laws. The motion was seconded and all were found in favor.

Marketing Report – Juli Madill

- The number of followers on all social media accounts are slowly increasing.
- Last posting made was regarding the Seminar options for this next quarter.
- Upcoming posts planned: Information Session; Principal's Coffee; Whole Foods 5% Day; college visits

Skymart Report – Diane Scannell

- All is well; have enough volunteers.
- Placing a new order very soon; almost out of cookies.
- Have had an influx in sales of cups of ice (which sell for .25 cents each).

Grad Night Committee Report – Jen Moser & Juli Madill

- 50 seniors currently registered.
- Venue is set.
- A lot of parents attended the first Grad Night committee meeting, but not many stepped forward to volunteer.
- Many have expressed interest in establishing a theme for the party this year. At the meeting, a vote was taken and they are leaning towards "Oh, the places you'll go."
- Committee's Dine Out coordinator stepped down so they're looking for another volunteer to fill this role.
- Squawks should be starting up soon.

New Business

- Whole Foods Market Greenway 5% Day
 - The last time Whole Foods supported us, the PTO received a \$250 GC that was used for staff appreciation week to purchase coffee cart & fruit baskets.



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- Agreement was entered for this year; give back day is Thursday, October 18, all day; 5% of net sales will be donated to Southridge PTO; funds received are to be put towards "general healthy eating programming".
- Discussion was held and it was decided that the funds will be used for Grad Night to purchase gluten free, vegan, etc. snacks.
- Whole Foods offered us to set up in-store that day to speak with shoppers about our programming; will provide a table for us and snacks.
- PTO is considering the idea of allowing Southridge clubs/activities/athletics to use the PTO's Square credit card service for purchases made during their fundraisers. We have done this a couple of times (i.e. Football BBQ; Hawkette spirit sales, etc.). PTO writes a check to Southridge HS and Accounting deposits the funds into an account the club/activity has with SRHS. Further exploration is needed to make certain the security of the Square app is not compromised and we're not putting our assets at risk. Parameters will also need to be established to ensure the service is fair and equitable to all Southridge clubs/activities/athletics.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.