

**PTO Executive Board and General Meeting
August 21, 2018**

Executive Meeting called to order at 5:36 p.m.

1. Review 2018/2019 School Year Budget – motion to pass: APPROVED

Executive Meeting Adjourned: 5:42 p.m.

General Meeting called to order: 6:03 p.m.

1. Welcome & Introductions of the Board
2. First week of school went well with parking, giving directions, etc.
3. Volunteer Opportunities
 - We're partnering with Palomino Elementary to provide volunteers for their health screening day. We need to find 2 more volunteers: 9/4-9/7, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
 - This Thursday 8/23 is Picture Day, 8:45 – 2:30. We still need lunch volunteers that day.
 - Ruby has volunteer forms for those interested in volunteering throughout the year.
4. Communications – How to stay connected
 - Visit SandpiperPTO.org for information
 - Sign up for text alerts (via SandpiperPTO.org)
 - Sandpiper PTO Facebook group (not the same as the grade-level Facebook groups)
 - Dad's Group texts
5. Community Update – Upcoming Events
 - Boo Hoo Breakfast on 8/7 was a success
 - Sock Hop is being changed to a Glow Party – October 5
 - Hoedown is October 25
 - We will need volunteers for all these events!
6. Direct Giving Week
 - October 1-5
 - Donations pay for teacher and school needs
 - There are competitions to make it exciting for students
7. United Parents Council (UPC) Update
 - Gives parents a voice within the District; advocates for education, children and families
 - Each school can send two representatives to the monthly meetings
 - Opportunity for representatives from different schools to come together and share ideas
 - UPC hosts a monthly learning series one Wednesday morning each month; the first one is Sept. 26 and is about getting ready for middle school.
 - Subscribe to UPC on Twitter or Facebook to get updates and reminders
 - There is a new Immersion Committee as part of UPC to help provide feedback on middle and high school immersion programs
 - UPC voted to oppose Prop 305 because we don't want voucher program expanded; visit TeamSOSArizona.com for more information

*** Motion: Sandpiper as a school moves to oppose Proposition 305 – Motion Passed**

8. Teacher's Report – Ms. Adam
 - Teachers thank the PTO for all they do

9. Principal's Report – Ms. Cameron

- Beginning of school year has gone amazingly well
- 61% of students are open enrolled
- All positions are filled except for custodian; a final candidate is being checked

10. Dad's Club

- Bank account and paperwork is established
- Looking for a new group of leaders to take it on and meet with the previous officers to transfer responsibilities
- It's a statewide organization so dads from other schools can join too
- Interested dads can sign up for the text list via SandpiperPTO.org

11. Box Tops program

- Last year's collection drive went well; we raised \$1000
- This year's goal is \$1500
- Over the summer we raised \$300
- Drives throughout the school year will be fun for the kids with contests they can win
- Last year's funds were used to pay for new PE equipment
- BoxTopsforEducation.com provides a list of brands that participate

12. Marker Recycling Program

- There is a large Crayola marker bin in the library for markers that no longer work – all markers, not just Crayola. We then send the old markers to Crayola and they recycle.

13. Questions, Comments

- Total school enrollment: around 615 K-6 grade students
- School security: you must come in the front doors, sign in, wear a visitor sticker. When you leave, you must go back to the front office to sign out – don't just leave. Gates close in the mornings at 9 a.m. Never let someone in the gate – everyone must go through the front and sign in.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:02 p.m.