

Seven Generations Charter School April PTO Meeting Minutes

Today's Meeting	Date: 4/11/19	Time: 6:30 PM	Location: IS
Next Meeting	5/9/19	6:30 PM	IS

1. Introduction at 6:30

Attendees: Andrea Dougherty, Emily Palmieri, Caitlyn DeNora, Julie Shook, Dawn Campbell, Sharon Snyder, Nikki Hawk
Staff: Amanda Cossman, Paul Hunter

PTO Mission

As the SGCS PTO, it is our mission to serve as a collaborative team of parents and staff members supporting the core values of our school. We enrich and enhance the quality of educational experiences by: engaging parents as active participants, building community, coordinating events, resources, expertise, and time in alignment with the values of our school.

Meeting Norms *We agree to listen and respond to one another in a respectful way, creating a safe environment allowing all to be heard.

*We agree to allow all participants to be heard and have an equal say, gather input from everyone, and utilize some form of consensus for decision making by people present.

*We agree to allow all participants an opportunity to contribute their voice in a safe, welcoming environment and to have a clear communication to the school community of agenda, minutes and other information.

*We agree to start and end on time, be respectful of time by staying true to the agenda.

*We agree that official PTO communication distributed will be fact-based, unbiased information and will not include any personal sharing or details.

*We agree to an environment that is welcoming, open minded, and positive where we all follow agreed upon norms.

2. Discussion Review

Opening/Introduction Andrea & Laura	Check in, Intros, Mission and Norms review, Parking Lot review. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Review of the parking lot procedures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ if you have anything not on the agenda that you want to discuss, please write it down and we will address it at the end of the meeting or put it on next month's agenda
Review Emily	Handling of PTO Funds and Treasurer update final copy printed. everyone handling money should sign it. Proposal for a PTO iPad or device for running the triangle. Caitlyn will come back with options and prices for the next meeting.
Discussion Emily	Silent angels update-*(7 remaining) possibly getting them a gift for the end of the year. Emily to do a sign up genius. Julie will send emily the list

<p>Discussion Christel, Laura and Andrea</p>	<p>Upcoming fundraisers-*(Don Juan and Rita's) Don Juan April 23</p> <p>Rita's too hectic this time of year, August or September would be better for them table for summer meetings</p>
<p>Discussion Julie, Christel, Emily, and Mrs. Cossman</p>	<p>Upcoming community events-*(Science night on 4/12, Iron pigs on 5/11 and EOY campfire in June).</p> <p>Science Night 4/12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Rossi Pizza p/u 5, 5:15 at school to set up. Open doors at 5:45, selling fruit, pizza and drinks ● Wildlands 6:00, Fire and Ice show begins at 7:00 ● Food trucks need to be booked 6 months in advance for future reference <p>Iron Pigs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 78 tickets sold, 69 field seats, 9 lawn seats <p>Camp Fire</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Wednesday, June 12, 6-9 ● band confirmed, pizza sign up ahead of time. ● recreate flier and signup from last year <p>Spirit Wear</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● sales during gallery walk and kindergarten orientation and assessments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ May 15th Julie volunteered to help for orientation ○ May 29th Caitlyn ○ Gallery walk-Nikki and Laura
<p>Discussion Caitlyn, Sharon, Julie, Dawn, and Nikki</p>	<p>Teacher appreciation week-*(May 6th-10th).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● April 18 planning meeting 6:30 at Wegmans ● Luncheon May 8 in the IS ● Breakfast set up 8:00 in the ES ● Sharon: survey monkey to see what the staff likes for salads & reach out to the parents-sign up genius for parents/community for donations through constant contact, supplement with Wegmans or another caterer ● Personal touch, warm event Ms. Miller decorations during art class ● up to \$600 budget approved. donations first through signup genius then using the approved budget
<p>Discussion Andrea & Laura</p>	<p>Questions, concerns, parking lot, May's PTO date & agenda items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Caitlyn iPad or other device ● Mrs. Hersh's birthday, Mrs. Cossman is away, Mr. Hunter will be here.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● May-June discuss ideas for next year-for back to school night have a year long plan written out sign up for events including what is needed for coordinators and helpers ● Possible summer plans: BBQ, Ritas, playdates
	<p>Budget: annual report, spending, fundraising, goals for next year. A published report for where the money is being spent for transparency (budget post online is from 2016-17 and needs to be updated). What are we bringing in vs. what we have rolled over from past years?</p> <p>Ways to increase teacher involvement, encouragement to come to events and participating in regular meetings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Have teachers create a grade level or school wish list-EIC wishlist, global theme ● Invite teachers to make a requests for PTO funds, but they would need to be present at the meeting to present the requests. Have something teachers are working/ funding for (ie recess cart or grade level needs) to encourage their involvement

Next Meeting Details
May 9 next meeting