

## SSMS PTA MINUTES JANUARY 19, 2016

**Treasurer's Report:** C. Belling Balance \$29011.08; Deposits \$50 Fall Fundraiser +\$25 apparel

**Thank you:** C. Murray Barbara Barker for Picture retake; expecting \$37.50 rebate. Alanna Bender for Models fundraiser. Emma & Cindy for Reflections

**SEP:** L. Mullen Camp Fair for everyone is 2/8/16 at SSHS cafeteria. Bring kids. Hoops for All is 1/26/16 at Covert, 8:30-10:30a.m.

**DRUG/ALCOHOL:** R. Cammarata Confide 516 subcommittee presents from SSHS "Power of Prevention" to 7th & 8th graders the next two Fridays. SSHS graduates had approached Ms. McGinn to present to the 7th & 8th grade Health classes.

**NUTRITION:** P. Barrett Nothing substantial. Visited HS. The state review was mostly good. Had to change a couple to things. Beth Savion(? P.B. unsure of name). Taste testing drinks.

**REFLECTIONS:** Emma 35 entries of varied mediums. LA department phenomenal with promoting & offering extra credit. Made promotional movie. Seven advanced to County level. All receive participation certificate but looking for prizes. Should hear soon if any advanced to state level.

**PRESIDENTS' NEWS:** T. Garrett No Curriculum update. RVC School summer activities dispersed due to SSMS & SSHS construction. ACE will be at Hewitt. Rec Center will be at Wilson & Riverside. HS remedial classes will be at 2nd floor Wilson. SSMS remedial classes will be at Watson. Pre-K & PAL remain at Covert. MLK remains at Watson. Need a chairperson for the Nominating Committee.

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:** S. McGinn Presented library remodeling photo/blueprints board. Will have moveable stacks, scanners, Smartboards, seating areas. 56 seats with room for 25-30 more people. Music & band room being refurbished. Not redoing auditorium balcony seating. Fits approximately 900 people. All top lips in stairwells being replaced. All doors will have safety hardware. All rooms have air conditioning. Roof work starting now. Brick pointing will be done.

8th grade CYP in full swing Examples are book drive for Bronx school K-8. "Gift Box" started by J. Radigan last year. It's mostly for kids in the after school program with a personal shopper. Gift boxes are in the basement. Gently used & new item donations are accepted year round. Drop donations to security. Now need birthday & generic wrapping paper. Uncertain if PTA can donate to closet. Cindy Branching "mitzvah" is Sunrise Day Camp Art supplies. Future LIJ book drive. School staggers bake sales & fundraisers which need approval of teacher. Part of CYP process is fundraising plan & approval & process journals. Ms. McGinn will present program to Board of Ed. tomorrow night & discuss at February PTA meeting.

DC trip will be discussed at tomorrow's Board meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS: GRANTS** K. Baxley 3-4 scanners in building. 2 larger scanners will be in library. Grants rejected scanner grant request b/c curriculum oriented & should be provided by district, which they now are. Approved mascot costume for Mr. Gazzo. Please keep his ID a secret.

**Challenge day** (8th grade) funds were \$6,000. Can funds go to another 8th grade event? Don't have money for 8th grade tee shirts. This is second year school has requested funds for shirts.

**Motion to Close Meeting:** C. Belling. Seconded by D. Scala