

Simpson Elementary School
PTA Board Meeting Minutes
Friday August 16, 2019

Members Present:

Mallory Even, Brittany Adams, Bron Gayna Schmidt, Heather Reich, Samantha Morgan, Megan Skurski, Ashley Guelfo, Beth Goldstein, Christy Grant, Dana Samuel, Kelly Powers, Katie Berrigan

Members Absent: Christina DelGaudio

Welcome and Orientation:

Reviewed the Board Handbook & FAQ

Budget:

The board is striving towards a balanced budget this year which reduced the funds for special projects to zero currently.

Call to Order:

Mallory Even, PTA Co-President, called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. in the Professional Development Room

Treasurers Report: Heather Reich

Looking into setting up Venmo for the PTA to reduce/eliminate credit card fees.

Finance: Samantha Morgan

School kit sales sold 644 kits with only 4 not sold. Printed box tops are being phased out and going to electronic box tops through an ap. Working on communicating this to the school. Spirit wear sales are down related to the Kindergarten shirts. The PTA is considering ordering less of these shirts next year. Price increases on spirit wear to round numbers was discussed and approved.

Communications: Megan Skurski

Submitting requests for information in star news is now through Google Form. The link is on the PTA website and the deadline is Tuesday at noon each week.

Academics: Ashley Guelfo

Organizing and preparing for the Book Fair has begun.

Arts: Beth Goldstein

No update.

Family/Community Outreach: Christina DelGaudio

Fall Festival is in the process of finalizing the details. The dates for the Mother Son Game Night and Father Daughter dance are being finalized. Membership and donations for the PTA are continuing to be collected.

Health/Environment: Christy Grant

Starburst t-shirts are being ordered. Recycling lunch trays was discussed, and Ms. Grant is looking into it. Walk to School Day will not allow bikes or scooters during this day. The PTA would like to suggest adding bells to the bikes, so bikers do not hit children who do not hear them coming.

Publications: Dana Zamuel

Balfour is our new yearbook provider and we will no longer use Josten. You can upload pictures for the yearbook through their website.

Staff Student Services: Kelly Powers

Revised handbook outlines the structure. All the class coordinator positions have been filled and it went smoothly. Family support and outreach for the special needs classes is continuing. Special needs families can choose to be added to the class roster.

Principal's Report Bron Gayna Schmit

There are 4 new staff members. Actual enrollment is 992 and 990 was the projection. Working on managing the communication and steering it in a positive way related to the class groups on Facebook. Discussed how to manage or handle social media discussions that have been negative.

OTHER BUSINESS

Discussed the calendar for the upcoming year. Dates are still being finalized.

NEXT MEETING The next PTA board meeting is scheduled for September 6.

ADJOURNMENT Mallory Even adjourned the meeting at 11:45 p.m.

Katie Berrigan