Meetings minutes SMPO – August 22, 2017

#### Attendance:

Rudder Mbrs: Kelly Crantford, Joie Linser, Krystan Krailler, Tara Brock, Chelsea Myers, Margo Smith-Joseph, Nikki Marksberry, Stephanie Smart, Jessica Smitson, Colleen Noble, Chris Vockell, Holly Fritz, Pedro Souza, Vanessa Barth, Sadie Bonifas, Sarah Fuller, David Brenner, Sarah Stitzlein, Heather Gerker, Krista Clark, and Natalie Butcher

Others: Julie Miller, Angela Lyman, Amanda Harney, Emily McNicholas, Kimberly Richardson, Todd Shreve, Sarah Klayer, Raj Sher, Claire Stewart, Camille Bellen, Casey Highly, Anne Salzarulo, Casey Ivvih, Julie Nipper, Caitlin LaVine, and Sarah Lord.

Welcome and call to order -

Meeting called to order: 7:03 pm by President Joie Linser. Introduction of board members and parents at the meeting.

Kelly Crantford filled in for Business manager Sarah Gilchrist presented the budget for 2017 - 2018 School year.

Budget was voted on and approved 35 in favor and 0 against.

Principal's Report – Mrs. Lord

Thank you for the wonderful back to school breakfast for staff and for stuffing the back to school folders.

Our staff is grieving the loss of Doug Barnes, night custodian at Sands. The visitation will be tomorrow. If you would like to donate restaurant or grocery gift cards for the family, please bring them to the office by 9/1.

During our opening staff meeting, we partnered with XU to begin work to strengthen our Montessori identity. We plan to revisit our core values, mission, and vision this fall.

We had our opening Business Assembly with students on Friday, 8/18 where we reviewed our school expectations: Care for Self, Care for Others, Care for Environment. We also discussed that each student has a responsibility to take a stand if he/she observes someone being unkind.

We have new car line procedures that were outlined in the back to school red folder. Please display the car line signs that were sent home with your child.

Dr. Elizabeth and I are reading to every class this week. I am sharing books about peace and discussing how each student can be a peacemaker.

Preliminary data indicates that we improved in 9/11 tested areas on the Spring Ohio State Tests.

We are glad to welcome Jill Crawford as our new Senior Support Specialist.

We will have Sands Montessori Open House on September 14th from 5-7 p.m.

We are seeking 50 volunteers to assist with reading tutoring and 50 volunteers to assist with math tutoring.

## **Officers Reports**

Business Manger – Sarah Gilchrist not present, Kelly Crantford Presented 2017-2018 budget.

Fundraising - No officer

Asked parents to consider becoming the fundraising chair.

Krystan Krailler reported on the Carnival. The Carnival will be October 28, 2017 and it is the 2<sup>nd</sup> biggest fundraiser. She asked for volunteers to help with sponsorship, marketing and running games. All volunteers for games must be 18 or older due to money being exchanged.

Parent at large – Carrie Petts and Lisa Moreland not present Back to school picnic was a success.

Teacher Liaisons – Nikki Marksberry, Stephanie Smart, and Jessica Smitson Teachers enjoyed the breakfast at the first staff meeting of the year.

SEP - Collen Noble

SEP Fall offerings will be coming home next week and classes will start on September 11<sup>th</sup>. The list of classes are on the SMPO website.

Communications – Chelsea Meyers and Tara Brock

Email blast will go out weekly will go out Wednesday night. Can email items to be include in weekly blast to smpocommunications@gmail.com. Encouraged parents to interact with Facebook so more people will see what has been posted. Creamy Whip is donating 20% of sales to Camp Joy today.

Volunteer Coordinator- No officer Not present

Athletics Coordinator – Chris Vockell

Soccer is set for the fall and the schedule will come out in ten days. Greg Carrelli is in charge of soccer. Basketball sign up will be in two weeks from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Number of teams will be determined by the number of students that sign up. No one has stepped up to run volleyball so as of right now there will not be a volleyball team. In the past the volleyball team was coed.

If anyone is interested in taking over volleyball the athletics department has the equipment and contact Chris. Chris will get with Allison to have sprit wear sold at games and to combine his inventory with her inventory.

### Technology – Pedro Souza

Nothing to report as he has just took on this role.

# Teacher Rep - Vanessa Barth and Sarah Fuller

Thanked SMPO for breakfast. Will be asking for room parents and SMPO room parents to help organize fundraising events within the classroom.

#### LSDMC - David Brenner

Will have the first meeting on September 12<sup>th</sup>.

#### **ILT- Heather Gerker**

The ILT has already met this year. They meet two times a month. There is a Sands Communication Form if a parent has something they would like discussed they can fill out the form and it will be discussed at the meeting. They are working on professional development with Xavier University and Beech Acres. They have approved the calendar for the school year, the PBIS(positive behavior intervention support) plan. It has been 3 years since the 9 to 12 has been changed and they will evaluate how it is going and if anything needs to be changed. She encouraged everyone to be using Schoology. All third graders were promoted to the forth grade.

#### Garden Committee - Natalie Butcher

Thanked everyone who watered the garden over the summer. They will be working with classes over the upcoming weeks to harvest the garden and get it ready for fall. There are volunteer opportunities if anyone is interested. Wednesday nights from 6 to 7 Julie will be working in the gardens if anyone wants to help her. On Saturday August 26<sup>th</sup> from 9 to 11 the committee will be cleaning up the garden and all are welcome to come help.

#### **New Business**

Still waiting to start working on the Pergola due to problems with the permit. Will need volunteers.

Buddy program started this year where new families are paired with existing families. The new families will have someone to go to if they have questions.