

SMPO Meeting November 21, 2023

Attendees

Kim Fulbright
Andrea Money Penny
Alex Shepherd
Kristin Neidich
Dave Rolfes
Erin Heitsch
Amy Malmstrom
Kris Spurgeon
Meghan Covey
LeAnn Gardner
Sybil Brown
Jimmy Franxman
Kari Armbruster
Katelyn Hembree

Lee Allen (General Parent)

Call to order 6:35

Motion to Approve Meeting minutes Dave Rolfes
Seconded Erin Heitsch

Kim

- Let's be mindful of communication
- Give grace when we feel things are doubling up
- We are making a list of things to continue improvement and processes
- Donuts for Grown Ups today was smoother and still ways to make even better
- Raised more money for Dug with tickets and tees so we should be extremely close

Jimmy & Carrie

- Let's continue to discuss yearly costs and the best way to go about it

Kim

Community Builder to discuss thankfulness during this holiday

Sybil

- Donuts with Grownups was "stinking amazing"
- Most smoothly run to date
- Humongous turnout and all so happy and thankful
- Trunk-or-treat was another success and suggests being annual event
- 9-12 dance thanks to all who made it wonderful
- Thank you for LaRosas for Parent Teacher Conferences

- Current enrollment is 674 (one family moved out of state)
- Staff is continuing benchmark data collection and support discussions
- Picture Retakes
- Camp Joy hosted 6th grade Student Council for team building
 - Hope to make it a tradition for incoming 6th grade council members from here on out
 - YMCA funded those that couldn't pay so all could go
- Bus Issues - District Rep Dr. Martin went to LSDMC
 - Goal is for all students to be here by 8:55am
 - Past 15 days all arrived on time (within the grace period)
 - Afternoons are still tricky but students not missing instructional time
 - Often 4:10/4:15 when last bus leaves
- Sarah's father passed and we all wrap her in love and condolences

Katelyn

- Donated \$1,400K from YMCA for Camp Joy and utilities and needs
- Thank you for the wishlist donations
- Sands Families were able to receive Thanksgiving Dinners
- Going to have a holiday shop for children to shop for \$1
- Still need a crossing guard
- Darnell & Andrew at Kroger are awesome and donated so many granola bars

LeAnn

- Will be sending a newsletter out this week

Erin & Dave

- Getting Dug funds together
- Gold Star \$414
- MadTree \$619
- Kroger Quarterly \$1262 donations
- Mitza charcuterie class at Big Ash \$60

Amy

- Needs volunteers to recruit new SMPO new rudder members
 - Courtney & Andrea & Lee (2013 Room Rep)

Jimmy

- Waivers coming in
- Spring Soccer sign ups should be coming

Kris

- Thanks for dinner
- So Close to Dug Completion! Will know if we made it soon. Huge Thank You!
 - Making mini Dug's

- Tees getting ordered
- (Kim) Ongoing funding for Dug: Are there future fundings that we need to know about?
 - No more fees from Circle Tail
 - All trainings are now included for Dug
 - Evaluations will continue
 - Additional Trainings now covered for handlers

Kim

- Ms. Toebe was mentioning a separate fundraiser in future
 - We will learn more but our calendar seems full for this school year
 - Courtney mentioned 5K and Adult Gala/Silent Auctions have been a high request

Carrie

LSDMC

- District wide LSDMC meeting
 - Tracking diversity metrics
 - Working with demographics to represent and handle diverse populations with best practice

Kristin

ILT

- canceled this month

Kim

- Old Business
 - Carline Clarity - MW community Council has given communication
 - (Jimmy) turns are waiting and blocking for very long time
 - (Kristin) has seen dangerous situations
 - (Carrie) mentioned the inner lane turning right is a problem too. All need to stay in curb lane
 - (Sybil) mentioned the CPS officer said it is difficult to find a crossing guard.
 - (Lee) said CPD and CPS don't communicate to coordinate this
 - (Erin) wants to reach out to CPS officer and urban planner Adam Highland for more ideas
 - Buses
 - No new updates for field trips
 - (Courtney) 14 Vans purchased by CPS - will dig in more
 - Trunk or Treat
 - Good weather, candy lasted
 - Calendar

Erin

- <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jZhSMp6WRlxJ-WJoCnaR38u5VdzCNMai/view>
- How can we use this list to piece together community building and fundraising
- (LeAnn) reminds the importance of committees to continue the work between meetings
- (Courtney) reminds that we need the free and fun to energize between fundraisers
 - What talents do our families have that can give
- (Kristin) suggests use more time in January planning next year
- (Jimmy) reminds that we can be forward thinking but mindful that next year's Rudder may want to do things differently

Informal Social December 12 6:30 - 8

Next meeting January 16 6:30 - 8

Motion to Adjourn Meeting 8:23 Courtney

Seconded Jimmy