

Call to Order: Ami Boehlje, Chairperson 6:30 p.m.

Introductions: Those in attendance introduced themselves - 22 parents signed in.

May 2019 meeting minutes were approved.

### Minutes

#### Chairperson Report

1. PTO reviewed the First Friday Breakfast schedule. The senior class will provide breakfast on Friday, September 6th. Please note that families do not need to provide paper goods for breakfasts this year - there are ample supplies in the PTO closet.
2. Beautification Day - This Fall's Beautification Day has been set for Saturday, September 14th from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Information will be shared with families via the Facebook Parent Page and Mr. Lawler's newsletter.
3. Membership Toolkit - Rebecca Diekemper and Greg Small shared updates to Metro's online site for parents and students. Membership Toolkit used to be called My School Anywhere and was then purchased. We have approximately 158 family contacts and 169 students in the system. Rebecca and Greg will coordinate efforts to continue to build enrollment. Ideally, Membership Toolkit will eventually have enough family representation that we will be able to use it for PTO announcements, Sign-Up Genius, etc. Rebecca will coordinate with Mr. Lawler to make sure teachers and coaches understand how to utilize this resource.
4. Book Fair at Left Bank Books - Metro will host a Book Fair Fundraiser at Left Bank Books the weekend of November 16th. Details coming next month. Corinne Groark and Christina Robinson will co-chair the event. Student and parent volunteers will be needed.
5. Metro Reads - Mr. Lawler and Ms. Kukay (Metro Librarian) shared information about this year's Metro Reads book, "A Long Walk to Water" by Linda Sue Park. Ms. Kukay is working with students to organize follow-up experiences on campus around the book, including a possible fundraiser.
6. Fund Drive and Trivia Night Committee - Lisa Granich Kavarick will coordinate this year's Annual Fund Drive. Lisa will distribute informational fliers for a "soft opening" at Open House with a big fundraising push beginning around Parent Teacher Conferences, October 15 and 16. Lisa reminded everyone that if you want your donation to be tax deductible, it needs to be donated to Metro via the SLPS Foundation.

Mario Stanton volunteered to coordinate this year's Trivia Night. Both committees need volunteers!

#### Treasurer Report

The budget for the 2019-2020 School Year was approved. Myra shared an updated budget report for the year and explained the various accounts that are included in the budget.

**[Attach Treasurer Report here.]**

### Principal Update

1. Principal Lawler shared information about the NIMSY grant Metro received.
2. Open House is August 29th.
3. September 21st is the tentative date for the Junior Class Sponsored lock in.
4. Mr. Lawler explained the Open Campus policy. Freshmen do not leave campus until second semester, and only with a buddy. Sophomores are allowed to leave campus during lunch with parental permission. Juniors and Seniors may leave campus during lunch and study hall. Off campus benefits are a privilege. Students will remain on campus if their grades go below a C average.

**[Please attach Principal Report here.]**

### Class Updates

*Seniors, Class of 2020* - Mr. Lawler reported that the Seniors have received their Senior Shirts. They are working on the Senior Buddy Program and thinking about a mural project at Metro.

*Juniors, Class of 2021* - No report.

*Sophomores, Class of 2022* - Patty Schneider Gibson shared details from this summer's Freshman Welcome Picnic. Approximately 25 students and their parents attended. Patty recommended making the welcome picnic an official budget item for next year. It was great to have the picnic after orientation, but the group discussed whether attendance might be bigger if the event was held earlier or later in the summer. Sophomores also plan Homecoming and they are already making plans to raise some money for this event, including selling snow cones at the Open house.

*Freshmen, Class of 2023* - Genyne Rideout and Janary Stanton have volunteered to work with Mei-Ling Tung as Freshmen Parent Representatives. Thank you to all our volunteers!  
Student Rep - Student Council elections take place next month and then we will invite a Student Representative to attend PTO meetings.

### New Business

1. The PTO Bi-Laws need to be updated. Tricia Moyer, Parliamentarian, will lead this work. Current bi-laws are on the SLPS website.

2. Mr. Lawler explained that students are not expected to have phones and/or computers in class. There should always be supports in the classrooms available to students who do not have their own technology.
3. Mr. Lawler updated parents on the lunch process, the challenges in the lunch room that will resolve themselves with time (new staff, new students), and the popularity of Nacho Friday. All students should have at least 10 minutes to eat after waiting in line.
4. Metro is now using an online Spirit Wear company to provide gear to families and reduce the space needed in the school to outfit students and families. Mr. Lawler will keep us posted on new developments.

### Upcoming Dates

Next PTO Meeting - September 10

No School - September 13

PTO Meeting - October 8

Parent Teacher Conferences - October 15 and 16

No School - October 18

No School - November 11

PTO Meeting - November 12

Thanksgiving Holiday - November 27, 28, 29

POT Meeting - December 10

**Meeting Adjourned - 8 p.m.**