

Attendees: Ed Sciciliano, Jen Egan, Matthew Baird, Kate Chanin, Pam Porter, Mouang Jopson, Vanessa Ghantous

Co Chair's Report (Ed):

- **New officers** – The PTO welcomes Dani Scalise as the new treasurer and Sarah Fournier Hillman as new secretary. Thank you for volunteering!!
- **Bylaws** – Discussed revising Bylaws to allow officers to vote in the event there's no quorum. Article 8 Sec. 3 allows Executive Committee (4 elected officers plus Steve (or Pam) and teacher rep (Steve/Pam will appoint one) to take action on time sensitive matters so board felt no revision was necessary.
- **Student Directory** – PTO thanks Vanessa Ghantous for taking on the student directory.
- **Mum sales (Mouang)** – over 400 mums sold (gross over \$1000). Pick up Thursday Sept 19 at pick up (or contact Mouang).
- **Fundraisers** – Andrea Frickman will chair Mystic Knotworks fundraiser. Other suggestions include Trivia night, color run, restaurant nights (need restaurant connection?).

Treasurer's Report (Matt): Matt's term has ended. Thank you, Matt!

Principal's Report (Pam):

- **Author visit** - Steve booked Native American author/musician Joseph Bruchac and his son to visit SBB on Nov. 4 and is asking PTO to fund \$1200 of the \$2500 fee (book fair proceeds will cover the rest) Pam will provide more details on the program. PTO asked whether \$2500 seemed steep (Pam had local author visit for free in the past). PTO offered to review contract for cancellation terms, etc.
- **Illustrator visit** – Pam asked PTO to fund \$600 to bring illustrator Eric Sturtevant back to SBB for 2 days of art-themed master classes. Request approved.

Other Business:

- **USCG concert field trip** - Steve Schneider asked PTO to fund 2 buses for 4th and 5th grade to attend free US Coast Guard concert this fall (\$280 total). PTO thought it qualified as a "field trip" under the budget but approved it anyway.
- **Special Ed Coffee Cart** - Mrs. Salovitz asked PTO to fund \$78 to reimburse expenses relating to coffee cart as part of a "life skills" educational program. Total cost was \$278, of which \$200 was paid for with PTO money budgeted for teacher spending. PTO suggested asking for parent donations throughout the year. Profits will fund pizza party for kids at the end of the year.

Next meeting is October 16, 2019. Meeting adjourned.