

September 17, 2021
8:30am-9:30am
Agenda

- **Welcome and Opening Prayer**
 - Opening prayer said by Karen

- **Introductions**
 - SPA Board
 - Kerri Handren(co-president), Lindsay Hobart (co-president), Joy O’Keefe (treasurer) and Karen Johnson (secretary) are on the current board. The two year year runs through the end of the school year 2021- 2022
 - SMCS Parents
 - Parents attending the meeting (both in person and virtual) introduced themselves

- **General Overview**
 - What does SPA do
 - SPA supports the enhancement of education through enrichment programs in all areas of our curriculum as well as community service and social events. Our goal is to create a sense of community and caring between parents, staff and students while raising funds to support programs and projects that otherwise would not be funded by the current budget
 - 2021-2022 Calendar of events
 - The 2021-2022 calendar of events and corresponding dates was reviewed. Some of the events that we could not hold last year due to the restrictions in place we are looking forward to bringing back this year such as the parent social and spring fling (winter dance in past years). The chairs for 2020-2021 events were thanked for all their help last school year. SPA could not successfully run all our events without our volunteers.
 - Meet & Greet
 - The meet and greet held on the first day of school for 1-8 and preschool-K went well. There was a great turnout of families. Thank you to everyone who came out. It was nice to see families from past years and meet some new ones!

- **Budget Overview**

- Year by year comparison

- Joy explained the current budget. The main source of revenue for SPA programming is through Booserthon (see below). Last year SPA raised a record amount of money. The estimate for our initial goal this year was conservative however we hope to exceed it!. Other sources of revenue for SPA include the used uniform shop (which has already raised ~\$1200 just at the summer sale) and SPA events. Some of the events run by SPA carry small charges such as our Christmas events and the school dance. There was also carry over from last year in the amount of \$7167. Estimated expenses for the current school year will be flexible and may need to be increased due to the increased number of students at SMCS this year. Expenses include SPA programming (events such as field day), teacher/staff requests, donations and new initiatives. Last year some money for new initiatives was spent on new basketball hoops, parking lot banners, items for the robotics club and new ipads and chromebooks.

- **Upcoming Events**

- Walk to School

- Planned for Friday 10/1/21. Police will assist the kids in crossing the street and getting into the school. More information to come. Be on the lookout for the google sign up sheet. Kids need to be registered to be able to walk. Preschool and Kindergarten children will need a parent to walk with them otherwise you are able to drop your kids off at the Mansfield library. Parents are welcome to walk as well! Thank you to Marianne Mackinaw for chairing this event.

- Parent Social

- Thank you to Sarah Linsdstrom for chairing this event. Different restaurants are being looked at. Look for more information to come in the coming weeks.

- Trunk or Treat

- Thank you Kelly Tinkham and Shannyn Mason for chairing this fun event. It is scheduled for 10/30/21, 12-2pm (rain date 10/31). We will be looking for about 50 volunteers to decorate their trunks. Other volunteer opportunities will also be available. There will be a costume contest for each grade as well as best trunk and a

pumpkin decorating contest. It was discussed that SPA would potentially buy all the candy for the event. A google sign up will be sent out in the coming weeks with volunteer opportunities and more detailed information.

- **Fall Fundraiser-Booserthon Fun Run!**
 - Important dates
 - Pep Rally 11/1
 - Team Days 11/2-11/11
 - Fun Run 11/12
 - This is SPA's big fundraiser of the year and the 4th year that SMCS has chosen this fundraiser. Kids earn money for each lap they run. There are 35 laps and the kid's have a blast. It is a sport's theme this year. Prizes are earned for pledges the kid's receive. The school also offers school wide incentives for the kids too. Parent's will be able to attend this year to cheer the kids on.
- **Other**
 - Used uniform event chair
 - Thank you to Gisela Marcano-Smith for helping with past used uniforms sales. At this time we are looking for a new chair for this project. If interested you can reach out to Gisela (info on renweb) or the SPA email.
 - Teacher Requests
 - Kindergarten requested a document camera for \$99.55 and was approved
 - Middle school requested additional ELA books for \$149.15 and this was also approved
 - Mr. Bourque Announcement
 - Mr. Bourque thanked everyone for attending. There was a great showing at the meeting (~40 people!). He reminded everyone that while the SPA meeting times do not work for everyone's schedule there are plenty of opportunities to help. Some events are held at night while other day time events require some behind the scenes work that anybody can do anytime.
 - He also thanked everyone for their donations to the Reach for the Stars Fundraiser