



PSO Meeting Minutes August 12, 2022

Board Attendees: Mark McAfee, Kelle Hohl, Amanda Shearer, Kelley Crandall, Aimee Avery, Major Kindsfater, Veronica Palmieri

Missing: Lynn Gerveler

Additional Participants: Heather Wimsatt, Kim Isom, Nicole Amarel, Lori Keever, Jennifer Kindsfater, Stacey Reeves, Sharon Stropka, Shelly Jin, Chan Jin, Sherri Dixon, Jigna Narang, Kaprice Collins, Gaur Gopalakrishnan, Johanna Tesoniero, Lynn Madonna, Lynette Collins, Shannon Joslin, Kara Stanek

8:15am In person meeting start

President Report (Kelle Hohl)

- Introductions
- Please fill out the volunteer interest forms. And please reach out with any questions or ideas.

Headmaster (Mark McAfee)

- Thank you so much for the warm welcome.
- We are happy with the way things are going but we are always looking to be better. We always need to be improving.
- We had a leadership retreat this year - we talked about growth for leadership to teach growth to students, setting good examples for students - Greek word mimesis (mimic). These are our four pillars to embody excellence - improving our craft, sharing community ownership, dedication to responsibilities, and modeling of virtue. These are the things we will be taking seriously this year.
- We have a big roll out for extracurriculars the week of September 1st. Reach out to Ms. Smith if you have any questions before that.

Family Giving and Community Engagement Officer (Lisa Noyes)

- I am working on community investments across Archway and Scottsdale Prep. We will have the push for tax credits soon. Please encourage friends and family to participate in tax credits. If you have any ideas for our program please let me know.

Treasurer (Amanda Shearer)

- Last year we were transitioning from our own accounting system to the GH accounting system. We are all on the GH system now. If you have questions on reimbursements just reach out.
- Last year we raised about \$80,000. We gave a \$50,000 gift to school. The school purchased a projector, screen, and sound system for the library, a number of security cameras, and overhead projectors for the classrooms.

VP of Passive Revenue Generation (Kelle for Lynn Gerveler)

- Our lunch program is going well. Thank you for supporting our lunch program.
- We still have lunch volunteering opportunities on half days. Please sign up.

Booster Club (Major Kindsfater)

- I love sports, teamwork, and the community aspect. We would love to see more parent involvement. The athletics program is fully funded by your tax credits. So as you can imagine we are under funded. Please support the booster club with tax credits, additional donations (you can get a backpack, a tumbler, magnets), and come to games. We also have a new corporate sponsorship program.
- Our first football game is next Friday. We will have a cookout and snow cone truck. It's going to be a great event. Bring your own chair.
- We have funding for lights, score board and bleachers but we will not have them for the first game. We hope to have the lights and scoreboard for our homecoming game. Bleachers will come later. The bleachers will hopefully be in by the last game of the football season.
- Barrett Jackson - we are hoping to have a third party run parking that week. We could raise potentially \$30,000. We will look for volunteers to sell water, snacks, etc.
- We are pushing to have parent liaisons for each sport this year.

VP of Community Engagement (Kelley Crandall)

- Our focus this year is building our community and friendships. Three main areas...
 - Community of teachers, parents and students with social events.
 - Teachers - Stock the pantry, lunches, birthdays, and Snowstorm.

- Students - First event will be an ice cream social during Lyceum and we will have grade level breakfasts.
- HS Parent Social - August 16th. Please rsvp, but come even last minute if you can.
- Looking for someone to help organize HS social events.
- Please sign up to volunteer. And invite a friend
- We have new instagram accounts, the school and the PSO.

VP of Communication (Aimee Avery)

- Everything that is in the newsletter I add to the website. Trying to make things a little easier to navigate for parents. There's a helpful "dates to remember" section. Our website is within the school website, under parent resources. Or search spapso.org.

Additional Committee Reports

- Shopper Programs (Heather Wimsatt)
 - All the programs are free and you can join if you shop at the stores. They all give money back to the school. Amazon, Fry's, Shutterfly, Raise Right, etc. All the information is in the weekly update and the liaison emails.
 - Amazon smile - you need to verify twice a year.
 - Raise Right gift card orders - please watch for it in the weekly update.
- MS Social (Kim Isom)
 - Most of our events are break even events. We need to plan ahead and have numbers for each location.
 - Our first event is tonight, Bowlero, we have 97 attending. We will also have a parent social.
 - We will be enforcing positive behavior and following the handbook. Faculty will be there.
 - SkyZone (September 9th) - open to siblings and parents need to stay to supervise their children.
 - Boo Bash (October 29th) - we need a committee to help plan the event.
 - Movie night (December) - Details to TBD.
 - Spring - we will have another dance.

Next meeting is a board meeting on Friday, September 2nd at 8:15 am.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30am