



## **KMS PTO Meeting Minutes from May 10, 2018.**

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

1. Maureen Hirt 2. Julie Smith 3. Christine Riscili 4. Kristin Jacobs 5. Krissie Knapik 6. Laryn Ullman-Koenig 7. Kim Phillips 8. Michele Martino 9. Rod Ramsey 10. Shelly McDonough 11. Pat Brockway 12. Julie Voudris 13. Stacey Jones

Meeting was called to order at 9:37 am by KMS President Laryn Ullman-Koenig.

There was a motion called by Kim Phillips to approve the April minutes and this was seconded by Julie Smith. The April minutes were approved.

### **PRINCIPAL, PAT BROCKWAY'S REPORT:**

- Day 3 is going well in DC.
- One of the DC buses has a broken AC and they are sending a new bus.
- The 7th grade leaves Monday for Camp.
- This is the last year for 7th grade camp at Camp Mowana as the company was sold.
- We are looking at Camp Christopher in Bath for 7th grade camp in 2019.
- 8th grade party~ the teachers are thrilled
- Two students came to talk with Mrs. Brockway and all of the students would like to do superlatives for the teachers.
- 6th grade~ Science Museum on the last day of school.
- 7th grade~ Fun N' Stuff on the last day of school.
- Testing is all done and we only had a handful of students who didn't take the test.
- We didn't drop below the 95% state requirement of students taking the tests so our scores for the states should be better this year. We had 5% or below opting out.
- We discussed the KMS awards night and how well this went as far as timing and the students facing the parents in the beginning when their name was

called. The teachers really pulled together to fill in where some teachers couldn't be there due to other obligations with sports and such.

- There was a suggestion made for a link to field trips and permission forms.
- The 1:1 Chrome books are coming in beginning of 2018-19 school year.
- The Chrome books can be taken home but at school, the student needs to use the school issued Chrome books not their personal ones so they have all the apps they need for school purposes.
- Every Chrome book has a case, stand and charger.
- The technology fee will be \$50
- The students will return the Chrome books before summer break and the school will then give them back to the students in the fall.
- The students will keep these through their years at the KMS.
- There will be more items available on Infinite Campus.
- We were approved to use a new sports system for registering and providing forms.
- The Athletic Boosters is paying for this system.
- This system will alert parents and students when things are expiring.
- The student planner (spiral-bound notebook) is going away.
- The student handbook that details the school policy will be available online. It was previously located in the student planner.
- Mrs. Brockway ordered extra planners for the MS.

### **PRESIDENT, LARYN ULLMAN-KOENIG'S REPORT:**

#### **A. HS Open Board Positions:**

There are still many positions available at the HS PTO.

#### **B. 2018-2019 Calendar:**

The calendar dates were presented and will be compiled by Katy McGrath.

#### **C. VOLUNTEER FORM:**

The KMS PTO would prefer to move away from having a separate check box for volunteers within each committee.

The KMS is a good litmus test for a revised Volunteer Form since we have fewer events.

One negative could be that parents would lose visibility of what the KMS PTO does in this building.

The Bomber Hangar will be set up as its own Sign-up Genius. (not under Shelly McDonough's email)

The Bomber Hangar is going have its own volunteer list but we can fold it into the general volunteer list at any time.

**D. STORE ROOM KEY:**

This key has been an ongoing issue since it is missing.

We could change out the lock to a combination lockbox to avoid losing the key in the future.

Rod Ramsey will look into the door knob.

We also discussed whether or not we need to lock the door.

For now we will leave it unlocked; if you need to get in and its locked, Laryn has a key.

**E. PTO COUNCIL TALKING POINTS-VICE PRESIDENT: KIM PHILLIPS:**

I. Superintendent's Report

a. Safety and Security – this continues to be a very important topic

i. MARCS (Multi-agency Radio Communications) System will be in place which enables buildings to communicate directly with dispatch and there are also emergency panic buttons in the buildings

ii. Kenston is working with Bainbridge PD to increase their campus presence

II. Committee Reports

a. Kenston PTO Scholarship

i. \$1,000 will be awarded to one KHS senior at the annual Senior Breakfast

ii. For the 2018-19 school year, a second scholarship award of \$1,000 will be added

b. Kenston Parent Engagement Series – new for 2018-19 school year

i. Purpose: establish a series of events to educate and engage the Kenston parent community. These events will be hosted by PTO Council in coordination with the district and Board of Education.

ii. The goal is to have 3 events during the 2018-19 school year

III. District Events

a. Commencement, May 22

b. Last day of school (students), May 24

IV. PTO Events

a. Kenston Family Getaway at Kalahari

i. May 28<sup>th</sup> and/or May 29<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$104.00 per night which includes room and waterpark passes.

**TREASURER, KRISTIN JACOBS' REPORT:**

- A Heinen's check came today.

- We've also received a Giant Eagle check.
- Kim Phillips and Maureen Hirt will organize a table at orientation to encourage people to sign up for the points programs at Heinen's and Giant Eagle.
- See the checks written on the last report
- We will keep staff appreciation budgeted at \$2,250
- We will increase awards night to \$2,500 for Mrs. Brockway.
- There was a request from Mrs. Schweickert for Rubbermaid, commercial-grade recycle containers (i.e. yellow/green. She would like to purchase 60 containers (1 per classroom).
- We are voting for a funding request today. The funding request is \$330.

**Call for a motion to vote was initiated by Maureen Hirt and seconded by Kim Phillips.**

**This funding request was approved unanimously for \$330 for Mrs. Schweickert.**

- Budget for 2018-2019
  - Changes from 2017-18 Budget
    - Increase awards from \$2,000 to \$2,500
    - Increase CARE BLUE from \$250 to \$500
    - Increase Staff Appreciation from \$2,000 to \$2,250

**Call for a motion to approve the 2018-2019 budget was initiated by Julie Smith and seconded by Maureen Hirt.**

### **ROSTER:**

We're still looking for an E-Communication Chairperson.

This position is done behind the scenes. For example, the role includes posting the minutes once they're approved.

### **FUNDRAISING:**

Co-chair needed to help Maureen with fundraising.

We discussed changing the PTO minutes approval and how we go about doing this. The minutes need to get approved sooner so parents can take advantage of this information.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### **A . DANCE CONCESSIONS: Julie Voudris/Denise Lechak**

- No more dances for the spring of 2018.

#### **B. CARE BLUE: Julie Smith**

(2) new to district families. These parents want to get involved.

They are looking forward to returning to this year.

Three KMS Staff members are retiring this school year:

- Jackie Naler
- Sue Mass
- Ann Frasz

**C. HOSPITALITY: Julie Meine/Michele Martino/Krissie Knapik**

- We're looking to do a breakfast for the teachers in the fall for the return to school.
- Teachers return to school on August 10, 2018.
- Orientation is August 8-9, 2018.

**D. Bomber Hangar: Shelly McDonough**

- Spring Sale: the Bomber Hangar made \$4,600 in 1 week.
- Christine Riscilli is coming on board as the Chair of the Bomber Hangar at KMS.
- We need more volunteers.

**E. E-Communications: Valerie Wood**

- No updates.

**F. Newsletter: Kim Phillips**

- Permission slips for various events will be added online for parents convenience.

**G. VOLUNTEERS/MEMBERSHIP: Maureen Hirt**

No updates.

**H. BEAUTIFICATION: Ali Patell**

- The pots were updated for the spring.

**I. BOOK FAIR: Jane Laishes-Olsen/Maria Witmer-Rich**

- No updates.

**J. FUNDRAISING : Shelly McDonough/Julie Voudris /Maureen Hirt:**

- No updates.

**K: SKATE NIGHT: Krissie Knapik**

- Michelle Rees taking over this position.

**L. STAFF APPRECIATION: Coleen Krueger/Meg Noah/Laura Calabrese**

- There was an alternative request because of pork. The team went out to get chicken for certain staff members.

**M. 8th GRADE PARTY- Krissie Knapik:**

- Sign up Genius' have been sent out to parents.
- Krissie will set up the links for the newsletter.
- Michelle Martino will take care of breakfast in the AM for the 8th grade students.
- Parents were approved to decorate for the gym the night before.

**OLD BUSINESS: None**

**NEW BUSINESS: None**

Meeting Adjourned at 11:25 AM

Minutes taken by Stacey Jones

