

Meeting assembles at 6:45 – begins at 7:00p.m. Ends at 8:30 p.m.

Sherwood Elementary PSO General Meeting | Sherwood Library - Edmonds, WA

June 1, 2017 – recreation on 9-20-2017 of minutes from personal notes due to misplaced thumb drive

Principal Christine Kessler

Board Members Leslie Wilke, Co-President; Carrie Hulbert, Co-President; Suzanne Campbell, Secretary; Kristin Haverlock, VP of Communications; Jessica Allende, Co-Treasurer

Unable to Attend: Jessica Meyer, VP of Family & Community Relations; Diana Gray, Co-Treasurer; Vanessa Knowles, VP of Fundraising; Liz Morgan, VP of Volunteers; Melissa Johansson, Co-VP of Hospitality

2 Parents in attendance:

Robert Haverlock
Molly Reeves

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Intro to Agenda by Leslie

1. **Approval of 3/23/17 general meeting minutes** - all were in favor.

2. **PSO Board Nominee Introduction**

The following people were nominated to join the Board for the 2017-2018 school year. All positions have a maximum 2 year term, with the exception of the VP of Fundraising and the Treasurer roles which take more time getting up to speed. The board voted to allow these roles a maximum of 3 years.

Co-Presidents - Leslie Wilkie returning for 2nd year, Suzanne Campbell nominee

Vice President of Communication – Lauren Timpe nominee

Co-Vice President of Fundraising – Vanessa Knowles returning for 3rd year, Open

NOTE: Board voted in Kelly Oliver as Co-VP of Fundraising, via email on August 25, 2017

VP of Family & Community Relations – Open (possible nominee)

NOTE: Board voted in Kelly Jain as VP of Family & Community Relations, via email on June 23, 2017

Vice President of Hospitality – Melissa Johansson, returning for 2nd year

Co-Vice Presidents of Volunteers – Liz Morgan returning for 2nd year and Sarah Lewis nominee

Treasurer, Jessica Allende returning for 3rd year, Molly Reeves nominee

Secretary – Suzanne Campbell & Leslie Wilkie or Open

NOTE: Board voted in Heather Mandoli Alschuler as Secretary, via email on September 15, 2017

VP of Events – Carrie Hulbert nominee

3. **PSO Board Vote**

The Board members, as stated above were voted in unanimously.

4. **Year End Wrap-Up**

Carrie Hulbert (layout) and Leslie Wilkie (data) worked together to develop an infographic that shows how the PSO raised and spent funds this school year. A total of \$42,746 was raised via 3 main fundraisers: the

walkathon (\$30,936), cookie dough sales (\$4,000), and other events (\$7,710). We spent \$47,375 this year – 48% on teacher and principal support (professional development, technology, curriculum enhancement, books, PE/recess supplies, and lessons), 26% on student support (field day, assemblies, scholarships, water for portables, etc.), 14% on community building (movie night, skate night, gratitude for teachers and volunteers), 10% on miscellaneous items (grants, community services, emergency), and 2% on administration (PSO website, insurance, banking, printing). There were questions as to why so great an amount toward teachers instead of students and ultimately when we help teachers their development and technology helps all students, so we may be able to say 74% of the funding went toward students.

5. School Funding – Principal, Christine Kessler

Christi was not able to pull up her slide deck, so she did an excellent job speaking to the many points she could make.

School funding comes from a variety of sources: federal, state, and local taxes and levies. 70% of the Edmonds School District funding comes from the state and by state law 28% comes from levies, however in 2007 this was reduced to 24%. The McCleary decision makes it so we are not relying on the levies as much (because they change), so that is the reason for the levy decrease. A question was asked: who pays the \$100,000 daily fine and where does this money go? [Note: since this meeting it was found that Washington State was court-ordered to pay the Washington Supreme Court \$100,000 per day until they fully funded education by the 2017-2018 school year. They refused, and said they had plenty of reserves from the \$1.2 billion in the 2016 supplemental budget if needed. See courts.wa.gov No. 84362.7 at: [http://www.courts.wa.gov/content/publicUpload/Supreme%20Court%20News/McClearyPlaintiffs2016%20PostBudgetFiling.pdf#search=mcclery fine.](http://www.courts.wa.gov/content/publicUpload/Supreme%20Court%20News/McClearyPlaintiffs2016%20PostBudgetFiling.pdf#search=mcclery%20fine)]

Money also follows kids, so the class counts in October are especially important. State funding is based on this count. The school calendar is also related to state funding because the unions who support teachers and other staff require a certain number of days paid, both class days and training days (professional development).

In general, federal law is interpreted by the Department of Education, then they instruct the states. For each state, the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) and the State Board of Education then take these instructions and interpret them and communicate with all of the School Districts. The Edmonds School District then bargains with the teacher's (and other) unions to assemble the school calendar, to decide on class sizes, and to inform some aspects of curriculum.

The district has a good breakdown of budget items here:

<https://www.edmonds.wednet.edu/cms/One.aspx?portalId=306754&pageId=535054>

6. Committee Chairperson Openings

We have openings for Movie Nights, Code Night, Cookie Dough Sales, and Talent Show. Please speak with or email any one of us for more information. Have an idea? Please let us know and we can talk about how to add it to enriching our students!

7. Raffle Drawing

8. Schoolkidz School Supply Program – Marci Villanueva

We will be doing the school supply pre order program again this year. This is a company that is owned by Staples – that contracts with schools for an easier convenient way for parents to order supplies. It

also decreases the amount of supplies teachers have to get on their own. The order process will take place in May/June. It can be just a convenience for parents, or a school fundraiser as it was last year. We raised \$250 for this which was used by Joni on office supplies last year. Pricing on boxes is very comparable to what you'd pay at Target. Marci will distribute flyers to go out to kids. There are wish lists for the school and we can ask Ana Shumway (school counselor) if she has specific requests of what she'd like to buy in excess for children who may need it. The kits come a week before school starts – kids find the boxes at their desks.

9. Upcoming events

Tue 6/6: 5th & 6th Grade Band Concert, 7:00-7:30 pm Gym
Wed, 6/7: Family Computer Science Night, 6:00-7:30 pm Library
Tues, 6/13: Talent Show, 9:30 am and 7:00 pm Gym
Mon, 6/19: End of Year BBQ 6-8 pm Sherwood covered blacktop
Tues, 6/23: Field Day
Mon, 6/26: Early release 12:20 pm
Tue, 6/27: Last Day of School – early release 12:20 pm

10. Thank you to all the volunteers so far this year!

Movie Nights: Vanessa Knowles, Melissa Johansson, Jessica Allende, Suzanne Campbell, Leslie Wilkie

Talent Show: Angie Oliver

- Signups: Jackie Turcotte, Khan White
- Tryouts: Annie Floe, Anna Mindt, Lisa Monke, Katie Cowan, Rachel Turcotte
- Acting Coach: Annie Floe, Kimberly Koenig
- Also MaryLu Carlson, Joni Goettel, Pamela Thain

Staff Appreciation: Sarah Lewis, Eli Fuller, Jessica Dimmett, Jessica Allende, and Grounded Espresso

2nd Grade Staff Luncheon: Sarah Lewis

1st Grade Staff Luncheon: Liz Morgan

K Staff Luncheon: Sarah Lewis

Volunteer Mixer – Liz Morgan, Erin Ornes

Carrie and Matt Hulbert for graciously providing a venue at their home

School Kidz - Marci Villanueva

Box Tops – Allison Wilhelm

11. Next PSO meeting will be in September.

12. Questions? SherwoodPSO@gmail.com or check out the Sherwood PSO website: www.sherwoodpsa.com