

Severn River Middle School Parent Teacher Student Organization

Meeting Minutes

(Meeting Held via Google Meet on March 29, 2021)

ATTENDEES

Secretary Jeff Burrirt, President Kathi Burroughs, Assistant Vice Principal (6th/7th Grade) and PTSO liaison Tripp Murphy, Treasurer Lisa Saunders, Teacher Samuel Sheppard, Vice-President Denise White-Miller,

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Kathi Burroughs at 6:35 pm.

READING OF THE MINUTES

Reading of the minutes from January 21, 2021, waived and unanimously approved.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT (Mr. Murphy)

Great transition to hybrid learning. Currently working through waitlist. Going through list to determine transportation needs. BOE meeting tomorrow about 3 feet rule. There should be a county announcement soon. Another issue that has come up is kids losing interest in virtual learning. Considering gift card raffle for incentive programs. Kathi and Lisa reported that their kids received gift cards from last year and were thrilled. PTSO will work with the administration to do that.

School has been announcing a student of the month. Generally posted with Student Wellness information. Lisa suggested posting list of students inducted to NJHS.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Kathi)

Nothing to report.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Lisa)

We have an account balance of \$9,225.76. Only checks written was \$242 reimbursement. Will reimburse Jeff for welcome back banner.

We will not be reopening Shark Shop this year. We allocated \$650 in Shark Shop budget. We also have a \$50 Safeway gift card from several years ago.

SPIRIT WEAR

Kristine added many items for teachers. SRMS merchandise can be found [here](#). We need a new Spirit Wear chair for next year.

HONOR ROLL

No new ideas for third quarter. Mr. Murphy will ask Principal Tubman about availability of stamps. The SRMS Second Quarter Honor Roll can be seen [here](#).

WEBSITE

Need a new webmaster for next year

MEMBERSHIP

Nothing to report. The Facebook page has been effective this year at answering questions and generally providing information.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

Teacher Appreciate Week is May 3-7.

- We are in search of a Teacher Appreciation chair for next year.
- Brainstorming: Teachers would appreciate breakfast/food. Last year the videos were a nice touch. A raffle would be welcome. Need to have individual servings for safety. Snoball guy? Coffee truck? Lisa used Graul's to provide lunch boxes. Need to account for teachers who are home for accommodations; maybe send a gift card.

NEW BUSINESS

Officer elections

- Jeff will be nominating committee chair.
- Need a new Secretary, but all positions must stand in election, including incumbents.
- Election will be held during May meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- School is working through the waitlist of students interested in moving from virtual to hybrid schedule. The waitlist is comprised of students whose parents contacted school after the survey closed. Working through the waitlist primarily involves checking into transportation needs. The 3 foot/6 foot issue will be discussed tomorrow at the AACPS Board of Education meeting. More information will be coming from the county soon. Parents with questions can always reach out to the school.
- The SRMS dance team participated in the AACPS Virtual Dance Festival. Lisa reports that the SRMS Team was amazing. Ms. Denyer deserves many kudos. Unfortunately, the AACPS Dance Festival website indicates that the festival could not be recorded due to copyright concerns.

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- Graduation: we need to see how things evolve over the next few weeks before planning graduation. AACPS hasn't yet decided how high school graduation will work.

Meeting adjourned at 7:22.

Final meeting of the year will be in May on a date TBD.