

PTO Meeting

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Voting on PTO officers will be held at the next meeting. Tuesday, April 16, at 6:30 in the Sibley Media Center. We hope to see you there!

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SIBLEY PTO CALENDAR

March 18-22:

Spring TRASH to CASH contest

March 25-April 1:

No School - Spring Break

April 4:

Sibley Beyond Words

April 15:

Yearbook Orders Due

April 16:

PTO Meeting 6:30 in the Sibley Media Center - All are welcome, childcare is provided!

May 6-10:

Staff Appreciation Week

May 30:

Sibley Talent Show
(Audition dates for grades 2-5 will be announced)

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MONDAY, APRIL 15**

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yearbooks!

**MARCH 18-22
SPRING TRASH TO
CASH CONTEST**



**MAY 6-10
IS TEACHER
APPRECIATION
WEEK**



Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: March 5, 2019

PTO Officers: Pasha Quaas - President
Molly Lloyd - Vice President
Brian McGonegal - Treasurer
Heidi Brosseau - Secretary

Others Present: Scott Sannes - Principal
3 Teachers
5 Parents/Guardians

Motion to approve the January minutes was made by Brian McGonegal. The motion was seconded by Molly Lloyd.

School Updates from Principal Sannes:

- Friday updates were tough in February.
- Best choices were made overall for the safety of all, but it was hard to schedule.
- We have spring break, Beyond Words, MCA testing (Reading, Math, Science) that will bring us into May.
- Spring conferences will be more of a progress report. Those will go home the first week in April.
- Structure and continuity are important to the students. When these are disrupted, it is noticeable in student behavior.
- No updates on the design comity.
 - Greenvale - is going forward.
 - Bridgewater - begins this summer
 - Sibley - next school year
- Northfield Promise Strive together: Strivetogether.org - link going out on Friday.
 - Discussion:
 - Low income families benefit greatly from the efforts of Northfield Promise.
 - Ideas brought up during the meeting include:
 - Paying for author visits
 - Covering the bus costs for library tours
 - Bookfair \$'s in their hands.

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Tuesday, April 16th, 6:30 pm in the
Sibley Media Center. All are
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Sibley Elementary School PTO

Sibley PTO (Parent Teacher Organization) prides itself on its involvement in a number of areas. From organizing activities, to coordinating volunteers, to raising much-needed funds; we are a vital and integral part of the school. We welcome all parents to join the PTO. We think you will find it not only fun, but also a great way to meet other parents.



PTO and Committee Updates:

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Upcoming Events:

- Movie Night - Friday, March 15
 - The winning movie will be chosen by the students.
 - The winning movie will be announced the week of movie night.
 - This is not a drop off event. Adult supervision is required for all children.
- Just Food Coop:
 - Their Round Up program has changed.
 - Updates will be shared as more information becomes available to us.
- Spring Trash to Cash Contest:
 - Will be held March 18-22.
 - The winning class receives an extra recess, to be awarded at their teachers discretion.
 - Watch take home folders for all the details!
 - The Milk Moola program is ending.

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Upcoming Events Continued:

- Yearbook:
 - Orders coming out soon.
 - Order deadline will be Monday, April 15.
- School Supply Boxes:
 - More information at the April 16th meeting.
- Staff Appreciation Week:
 - Coordinated by Stacey Sykora
 - May 6-10
 - Theme will be announced after their committee meeting.
 - Watch your inbox for the sign up to help!
- Talent Show:
 - May 30th
 - Grades 2-5 can audition - That way each student has two opportunities to participate.
 - Audition dates and times will be announced.
- Fall Picnic:
 - Looking for food truck recommendations/ideas.

Financial Update & Budget Review: Brian McGonegal

Financial Snapshot	3/5/19
Current Cash Balance	\$25,995.32
Less Reserves	\$3,080.00
Proposed Available for Expenditures	\$22,915.32

- PTO budget vote will be held in November.

PTO Officer Update from Pasha Quaas

- New officers are needed:
 - President & Secretary terms are up - Heidi has volunteered to stay on as secretary as she has a kindergartener starting next year.
- Vice-President & Treasurer have one year left in their terms.

Open discussion:

- The new literacy curriculum:
 - The new literacy curriculum can still be personalized based on the classroom and the teachers needs.
 - Training began in June of 2018 and some classrooms adopted the new curriculum up to a year before the official program launch.
 - Some things needed to be "taken away"
 - A. In order to minimize variables, giving the new curriculum the time it needs.
 - B. To prevent resources from being directed beyond the new curriculum during its initial run.
 - The program was evaluated midway through the year.
 - District wide, grade level meet ups have been used to work out the bugs and to provide support to teachers as they implement the new curriculum over the course of its first year.
- MoveFive:
 - Works with teachers to work with small groups of students in third grade.
 - This program returned again this year but with fewer hours.
 - \$2,000 was spent on each building by MoveFive.
 - More volunteers are needed to work with the children that are struggling.
 - We have 1 Reading Recovery Person.
 - One on one is critical.
 - Could we reach out to our retirement community to help provide one on one with students that would benefit from one on one.
 - Sibley has a reading support person from January 1st-April 20th.
 - Proposal:
 - Volunteer coordinator to work with Mrs Hehr, and with teachers to help fill the gap. Fill the void to get books in the hands of kids.
- There is a need to coordinating ideas and parents to give these issues a voice.
 - If we had targeted reading positions is this something PTO could help with?

Discussion will continue at the next PTO meeting.