



General Meeting  
September 10, 2019  
Minutes (proposed)

1. **Welcome:** Sarah Johnson

2. **Call to order:** 7:02 with 21 people in attendance

3. **Approval of Minutes:** Sarah Johnson approved the minutes as presented.

4. **President's Report:** Sarah Johnson

Sarah thanked everyone who worked over the summer for their fall committees. She mentioned all chairs should have received a chairman information package in an email with a link to Google Docs. She will update those docs throughout the year. Sarah reminded all to become PAWS members and that it is mandatory for all chairs to be members.

5. **Vice President Report:** Maureen McBeth

Maureen told group she is very excited to be contributing this year and if anyone has anything they want in the newsletter to send it to her by Thursday each week for the newsletter the following week.

6. **Secretary Report:** Wendy Fawcett

Wendy read two thank you notes PAWS received.

7. **Treasurer Report:** Misty Gniadek

Misty went over the proposed budget for this upcoming year. She said our estimated income for this year is a little lower than in past years as well as our estimated expenses being a little higher. PAWS expects to be -\$28k for this year but with our cash balance of \$66k PAWS expects to end the year with a balance around \$38k or \$39k.

Misty then called for a vote on the proposed budget and it was approved as presented. All were in favor, none opposed.

Misty presented the actuals from the Treasurer Report. She ended reminding all to submit expenses to her and request cash boxes if needed.

## **8. Principal Report:** Dave Claypool

Dave began by introducing Lorie Campos, Dan Korntheuer, and Melissa Calvert, who is South's new assistant principal for student services. Dave also mentioned it was a great start to the school year despite a faulty sensor on a fire alarm causing two school evacuations the second day of class. This taught him that the kids and teachers need to be prepared on day one for these types of situations.

Dave also discussed the new protocol that would be implemented this year for active school shooters. It is called ALICE: alert, lock-down, inform, counter, and evacuate. This is felt by many professionals to be the best program available to empower people in a school shooter situation and give them some control.

## **9. Committee Reports:**

### **Football Parking:** Maureen McBeth

There have been 54 passes sold as well as a few given out for volunteers. There are still passes available to purchase.

### **Football Seating:** Wendy Fawcett for Aimee Olsen & Ellen Cassin

Ellen and I had a pretty good turnout tonight. We did exceed budget just slightly so that is good. I have a total deposit of \$1,370 (\$350 is parking and \$1,020 is seating).

The participants for the night were 18 Varsity Football Families, 4 Sophomore Football Families, 2 Cheer families and 1 Band. It is definitely waning. Both Ellen and I are going to turn over the reigns next year if PAWS board decides to keep this as a fundraiser. I don't have an idea yet for a possible chair(s) for next year but will try to brainstorm.

### **Freshman Orientation:** Sarah Johnson for Jannette Dato

Approx. 500 kids were at the orientation.

Served 500 water bottles from Costco.

Cookies were from Chick-fil-A.

Ordered 137 pizzas from Papa Johns and they provided the napkins and plates.

Spent a total of 1,270.77

**Landscaping/Beautification:** Una Betti

Una started by saying she is looking for volunteers to help this year. She also is asking Key Club to help the next two Saturdays clean up the garden beds and the Remembrance Garden courtyard. She is planning on decorating the football planters for all home games.

Her goal for this year is to computerize the Tradition Trail so bricks installed can be easily found. She also will be looking for a new brick installer.

**Membership:** Wendy Fawcett for Ellen Cassin

As of today, we have 347 PAWS members. As of 9-9-18, we had 381 members. I believe the number of memberships is down due to the first home football game being so much later this year. I think we will see a spike in membership at the end of September (before the first home game).

**Outdoor Concessions Report:** Denise Pulido

The stand has been cleaned by the concessions team, and we have begun stocking the stand. Tim Hertz made some changes that hopefully will stop the rain from coming in the windows. New this year: hand warmers, orange disposable ponchos, pomp poms, hot drink carriers, carrier bags and FanFood.

FanFood is an app allowing fans to preorder and pay with a credit card and get notified when the order is ready to FanFood pick up at the express window without waiting in line. In addition, we can turn off items that are unavailable and turn the item back on when we get more in stock. We think we will sell more with the convenience. Encourage your friends and family to download the app and tie payment to a credit card so they can try it out. We need to work out the kinks the first game, because #2 is Wheaton North and #3 is Homecoming. There is a .99 convenience fee to cover the cost of a credit card transaction.

Sign Up Genius and Key Club volunteers are handled by Julie Vassios, and she has this in place. Tim Hertz is working with all aspects of the chairperson's job so he will be fully ready to take over in the spring. (I will volunteer, and handle Sign up Genius in the spring). We still have a team to help with all the jobs that go with making everything happen in concessions, for which I am very grateful.

We look forward to working the games and making lots of money!

**PE Uniforms:** Dawnelle Muff

Dawnelle Said Wheaton Sport Center runs the ordering of the uniforms and she distributes the orders on the second day of school. She thinks they sold about 60 uniforms online as well as day of cash sales. The uniforms can be ordered all year and will be brought to South every Thursday or they can also be picked up at the Sports Center.

**Seasonal Activity Program:** Sarah Johnson for Aimee Olsen

Thank you again to Phil Mrzlak for his graphic design work and putting together the entire program. It is a total team effort from WWSHS staff to parents and coaches to make sure everything is correct.

Thank you again to Michelle Triscik for her efforts with securing sponsorships and gathering all their logos.

The Fall Activity Program is published and picked up as of this morning. This year we worked with a committee to help on picture day. We also have a committee to help distribute to the teams and hopefully ensure that programs get to every participant. Michelle will distribute copies to our sponsors. We were slightly behind schedule due to a delay in receiving the co-op activity picture, which we will hopefully correct for future programs. We have lined up the same volunteers mentioned below for their help in both winter and spring.

The program has team pictures, advertisements from our valued sponsors and useful PAWS information. If your child is in a Fall Activity, your child should be receiving an Activity Program this week or next from either a team parent or a coach. Please check with your child to see the program.

Thank you to the volunteers that helped on fall picture day to ensure that names are in order with the pictures!

Rosanna Grutzmacher, Amy Turner, Tracy Osborne, Sue Prince, Lesley Brown and Sarah Johnson

**Sports Passes:** Wendy Fawcett

As of today, we have sold 224 sports passes for a total of \$9340. PAWS receives a 10% administration fee so after expenses we have made about \$500.

**Sponsorship:** Michele Triscik

We have 25 sponsors 8 of which are new bringing in \$13,700

**Tiger Merchandise:** Dawnelle Muff for herself and Dawn Draus

As of tonight, spirit wear has had 4 sales: Freshman Orientation, Fall Athletic Meeting, Lunch sale, and Curriculum Night. Sales are just shy of \$10k and there is another lunch sale this coming Thursday.

Our new white items have been very well received. We are sold out of the white long sleeve Tiger Nation t-shirt and sizes in the white hoodie are getting low, we only have 15 left.

Some of our new environmentally friendly items are black tote bags, and stainless-steel straws.

We have been very thankful for all our volunteers and high school helpers, as this is a busy time for everyone. Our first sale in the Tiger Hut will be Friday night 9/27 for the first home football game.

**Media Relations:** Moyra Gorksi

Moyra wants all to know that if they have something going on to let her know at [media@TigerPaws.org](mailto:media@TigerPaws.org) and she will put it up on the Tiger PAWS Facebook page.

**Website:** Sue Zubek

Sue has been redesigning the website to make it more streamlined and easier to use. She would like people to pass on suggestions for the site as well as letting us know she can post "volunteers needed" on the site as well if you contact her.

10. **Unfinished business:** Sarah Johnson

Sarah told us that she has found chairs for the Mother/Son Brunch that will be held on 4/19/20 at Medinah Country Club. The co-chairs will be Merrie Sager and Melissa Masterson.

11. **New Business:** Sarah Johnson

Sarah announced that PAWS has again appointed Susan Nordmark as the Committee Chair of the Allocations Committee.

Susan explained the allocation process as well as letting us know that the second deadline date has been moved up this year to 1/27/20.

Sarah explained that the standing bi-laws are reviewed on odd number years and that the executive committee will be meeting in October to decide on any amendments to the bi-laws and standing rules. They will be presented and voted on at the next PAWS meeting on 11/12/19. Any proposed changes would be posted 30 days in advance to the website as well as reported in the newsletter.

## **12. Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.