



General Meeting
November 12, 2019
Minutes (proposed)

1. Welcome: Sarah Johnson

2. Call to order: 7:02 with 16 people in attendance

3. New Business:

Recommendations of Allocations Committee for fall requests: Susan Nordmark
Susan went over the Allocation Committee's recommendations (see attached) and once finished made a motion to approve the recommendations. Sue Zubek seconded it. All were in favor and none were opposed.

Proposed Revisions by Bylaws and Standing Rules Review committee: Sarah Johnson
Sarah explained the revisions that were proposed to the Standing Bylaws and Standing Rules. (see attached)
Sarah made a motion to approve the revisions. Denise Pulido seconded it. A vote was then held, and 14/14 voting members approved the changes therefore meeting the 2/3 affirmative votes needed to pass.

4. Secretary Report: Wendy Fawcett

Approval of Minutes: The minutes were approved as presented.

5. Vice President Report: Maureen McBeth

Maureen reminded us to send her any information, pictures, thank you's or anything else they would like to see in the newsletter.

6. Treasurer Report: Misty Gniadek

Misty told us membership has gone up a little bit with PAWS now having 408 members as well our actuals being about \$27000 with approximately \$9600 going back to the district in the spring for Sports Passes. (see attached) She also discussed concession and spirit wear numbers.

7. President's Report: Sarah Johnson

Sarah told us she has been working on a couple of fundraisers this past month. Partners for Achievement held a college planning workshop at South and PAWS made \$25 on every family who attended, totaling just over \$1000. The next workshop is 3/5 at 7pm. She also mentioned PAWS is in a partnership with the Lions Club to help raise participation in the Reindeer Run 5k event. When you register and put the code "TIGERS" the runner saves \$5 on registration fees as well as raising \$5 for PAWS. South has 22 runners registered as of 11/12/19 using the code.

8. Principal Report: Dave Claypool

Dave began by letting us know that faculty participated in a new safety protocol called ALICE the past Friday learning empowering ways for teachers and students to make decisions based upon events unfolding before them during a school shooting. The students will be going through training for the new protocol this spring.

Dave then told us it is great times at South! In the past week our Girls Volleyball team qualified for the Final 4 at State. Our football team is in the Elite 8. Girls Cross Country finished 12th in State with a girl earning 2nd. Boys Cross Country came in 2nd in State and Phil Culcasi was named one of the premier teachers in math and science in the county!

9. Committee Reports:

Outdoor Concessions Report: Denise Pulido

With one more game to go, an exhausted team has racked up almost \$30,000 in sales with 55% of that being profit. After the last game it should be more like 60% being profit, but we had to buy a lot of stock that will be used in the spring (cups, lids, napkins). I mention that the team is exhausted because it has been almost the same people working at every game. We have had no sign-ups from all the people that expressed interest when they joined Tiger Paws. It is also difficult to understand why there are only two parents of football players helping (Tim being one). We really cannot count on Key Club students; mostly because they are more in the way than helpful (if they even show up). Hopefully, we can spread the word- we do have fun in there! We are making it work with half the people that used to be in the stand before the remodel.

One thing worth mentioning, since it affects our sponsorship as well as all our concession sales, Mark is selling the Wheaton Rosati's. It is not certain that anyone buying the store will honor the \$13 deal or sponsor Tiger Paws. He mentioned that he was angry some years ago about us using other pizza places and he canceled his sponsorship that year. It is not about profits, it is about getting his product to be known in the school. Since I brought this up in the last meeting, I think it might be something to honor when the new owner is approached to be a sponsor.

Tim repaired the window ledges and it appears we are keeping the water out. This has been a constant problem, but fingers crossed the repair holds.

Tim and I brought in heaters for the stand and the bathrooms so we can make it to the last game without pipes freezing. We can't serve food without water- except cold beverages and Chick fil A. We will stay and clean after Saturday's game because the water must be shut off right after that.

We have had 5% of sales in Fan Food. It is surprising that more don't take advantage of this, especially when the line is 20 people deep. It would really help relieve the congestion if more use it.

Directory: Wendy Fawcett for Beth Sekera

The directories have been printed, mailed and delivered. This year we returned to having phone numbers in the directory rather than emails.

The directories are printed in 2 separate batches. The first batch printed by Jeff Ebbert at the district office. These go to teachers and staff. The extras go to any new members that join the PTA after the date that we give the list to the mailer. Outsource printer/ mailer prints and ships a second batch of directories. These directories almost take 2 ½ weeks longer than the first.

Currently, any new members who join after the date of the supplied mailing list gets their directory mailed separately. This cost \$1.75 per directory. I propose that we set up a cutoff date for the directories to be mailed. We can post it as an incentive to get the new memberships faster. Otherwise, any new PTA member after that date must pick up their directory from the office or other designated spot.

Homecoming Lainson: Sarah Johnson for Bridget Moore and Marianne Kratz

We had a table and balloons set up to welcome alumni at the Homecoming football game. We had leis and a raffle for a tiger wear sweatshirt. Our budget basically covers the sweatshirt and those few items.

Landscaping/Beautification: Sarah Johnson Una Betti

Beautification Days: We held two beautification days; September 14 & 21. With the help of the hard-working Key Club students we collected 12 bags of garden waste and the area looks better. We also had a spring bulb planting day on October 19 and the Key Club students helped again and we planted over 1000 bulbs! Thank you Key Club! On the following weekend with the help from a few wonderful volunteers we planted approximately 1200 additional bulbs. They will bloom in the end of March and in April and May, so we are hoping for a beautiful display.

There are several engraved stones in the Remembrance Garden that are black and discolored from the elements. Some of the names cannot be read. I found a biodegradable cleaner and when we get a good weekend here, we will get the stones cleaned.

We will be putting up a holiday display and the three planters by the front just after Thanksgiving.

Goals for 2019 2020: (will complete during the winter months)

Computerize the Traditions Trail-[the plan will be sent to the PAWS president and then can be sent to anyone requesting where their brick is installed. Can be updated as bricks are added. Find another brick installer.

Membership: Wendy Fawcett for Ellen Cassin

This is crazy! We have the exact same number of members today that we did on November 12, 2018. We have 408 PAWS members. We finished the year having 424 members in 2018-19. I am hoping we will do the same for the 2019-20 school year.

PTA Council Delegates: Melanie Bottom

Melanie told us at the last meeting the portrait of a graduate was discussed and that our district is looking at how it fits into that and making sure our children are successful in the workplace or college. She also said the Jefferson is coming along and on track.

Tiger Merchandise: Dawnelle Muff

Since the last meeting we have had:

4 lunch sales with sales totaling \$2685

4 Tiger hut sales at the football field \$6478

2 band/orchestra concert \$974

For a total of 10 sale dates with total sales of \$10137

To finish out the year we have 3 lunch sales, the night of the winter athletic meeting, and 2 evening holiday sale dates. We are very thankful for the volunteers that helped at the tiger hut and the Key Cub kids that showed up. It is difficult getting volunteers especially for the last shift for tear down during varsity games.

New items- black long sleeve T-shirt available now and orange black winter scarf available in December.

Media Relations: Sarah Johnson for Moyra Gorksi

I think the FB page is going quite well and I'm pleased with the info that people are sharing with me to post. I would love feedback to see how others feel about the info that is posted. Is it enough? Do you feel informed?

10. Unfinished Business: Sarah Johnson

Sarah asked if there was any unfinished business to address and there was none.

11. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:54pm.