

School of Technology and Arts I  
Steering Committee Minutes  
Tuesday March 14th, 2023 6:30pm  
School Library

President: Jenna Sampson

Vice President: ?

Secretary: Amanda Jackson

Treasurer: Amy McKnight

Principal: Jenna Fernholz

Fundraising: Erika Cedergren and Jenna Sampson

Teachers: Anna Jordan and Teri Amann

Yearbook: Ashley Patros-Kader, Vanessa Pickar and Leah Lachman

District Wide Parent Rep: Meagan Ronsman and Danielle Pfeiffer

Volunteer Coordinator: ?

Technology: Renee Stowell

1. Review and approve February's meeting minutes
2. Principal Report
  - a. Family night good turn out, had a raffle; this Thursday is the next family night, concession-style & games; Forward testing 3rd March 27-April 6, on ipads 4th & 5th March 22-April 5; middle school options letters have been sent home
3. Teacher Report
  - a. Staffing changes - Mrs. Amann is retiring at the end of the year; Miss Karen is taking a leave of absence for 23-24 (& probably continuing forward); K & 1 have very different needs, Mrs. Henry will move to Kindergarten, Anna will focus on reading & math, they'll come together for the rest of the subjects; there will be an opening in 2 & 3
  - b. K/1 was supposed to go to grow, but has been rescheduled for April; Todd Parr plays at Viterbo this past week; March 31 will be Frozen Jr at Logan Middle
  - c. Visioning - working on SOTA I mission & vision; partnership to connect families to school to enrich the experience. Parent involvement promotes achievement, events, fundraising, family nights, art auction, recruitment of new families, funds to support field trips & artists in residence, family meeting to meet & greet at beginning of the year; speak before the informance to speak about the SSC & get involved; have another form of communication other than facebook; where are we heading & why should you take the trip with us?

- i. Consider being flexible with date/time we meet each month
  - ii. Parent leader/mentor idea
  - iii. KVR - Friday May 12
- 4. Bike Rodeo/Family Nights - Doris & Jon (Community School Coordinator) joined the meeting -
  - a. Community School Coordinator: working with all for co-education, meet needs, help families thrive, did Feb 14 Donuts with Grownups, Parenting Place survey; coordinating April family night Music in Motion 'rocking recess', Viterbo Service Saturday
  - b. May's Bike Rodeo, want to shut down 700 block of Adams, need to consider traffic, waste management, food, advanced bike course, bike parking lot, Paperback Rider, track would be the sidewalks on Adams - we recommend a quick easy pre-packaged meals rather than trying to compile a meal;
  - c. Jon can attend SSC meetings next year; think of timing of Hamilton PTO & SOTA SSC so they overlap for a bit - childcare during meeting would be great
- 5. District Wide Updates
  - a. Rebuilding at every school (PTOs) is challenging right now post-covid
  - b. Survey from LPEF to connect PTOs
  - c. Thank a Teacher Day May 9th (they'll provide treats)
  - d. Nominate Shining Stars (before May 20th)
  - e. Rubber chip removal - quite expensive to remove, so we would need to look at grants
  - f. Committee on buildings & declining enrollment

Recruitment suggestions:

  - Open House/Open Mic - suggestion to use for recruitment; could boost on FB
  - We used to do a booth at Artspire, so could look at doing it again
- 6. Fundraising
  - a. January Restaurant Night recap ~\$170
  - b. Another Restaurant Night
    - i. Erika confirmed May 2nd for Chipotle - they have the best give back at 33% with a minimum of \$150 in total purchases
  - c. Scrip - April
  - d. Art Auction - May 24th (at the Informance)
  - e. Loggers - waiting to confirm date and time
  - f. Brat Barn - Spring, Summer, Fall?
- 7. Budget - had to pay the deposit for the yearbook & may need to pay more

depending on orders. Sue will send a paper reminder home & Leah will post a reminder on FB

8. Any additional questions or concerns
  - a. SOTA I sign
  - b. Informance - parent question - Record or livestream? Challenges with permission to use certain kids' images & license for music
  - c. Drop off/pick - school resource officer sign, verbal/written reminders, snow removal...
  - d. Yearbook for 23-24 - volunteers needed
  - e. 23'-24' SSC
    - i. Bylaws/Charter - Jenna, Renee & Amy will meet to discuss further