



Stone Bridge High School PTSO
43100 Hay Road, Ashburn, VA 20147

2/12/19 PTSO Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Jennifer Cramer, Theresa Prebish, Lori Steger, Craig Steger, Emily Rittenhouse, Jeanne Murck, Mike Marden, Tim Flynn, Shahrazad Kablan, Mary Reilly, Jeanette Fehr, Saige Burns, Janet Casco

Fund Request / Presentations): Presenters - Daniel Blöse

- SBHS DECA - Daniel Blöse and team - \$250 request - Sources of Strength program
- Identify the signs of struggling in fellow students and provide help for a variety of social and mental health issues (bullying, substance abuse, mental health, violence, suicide)
- Marketing and business management club competition will take place in the 1st week in March if they are in the top 8 then they go onto the next competition
- Designed t-shirts and wristbands and had a walk last weekend - boys basketball team wore shirts
- Sold raffle tickets and the person who won donated the money back to Sources of Strength
- To earn more money they sent out donation letters and had a 33% response rate and \$1300 was raised
- Sold 200 shirts and have 100 left. They broke even. DECA paid the upfront cost for the shirts. If they received this money from the PTSO then it would allow more money for DECA to go to states - \$375 for states and \$1500 for nationals at Disney World.
- Donation from the PTSO would be for DECA but go toward training throughout the school regarding Sources of Strength. DECA is working with the counseling department at the school and they have to pay people to come to the school to conduct training for Sources of Strength.

President Report: Jen Cramer

- Rubber rug purchase for front of school - \$2000 has been approved by Athletic Boosters, \$2000 would be given by PTSO. Invoice was \$4680 but Dan Rittenhouse was able to negotiate a price of \$4000 with free shipping. All at the meeting were in favor of the purchase
 - It was recommended that they work with the rubber rug maker to move the lettering around like taking out the words "High School".
 - Remove the 2000 from the bulldog as well.
 - Ask the vendor if the rug will attach to anything.
 - Tim mentioned the following items were being completed throughout the school:
 - Press box changes in gym
 - Painting the marque in the auditorium

Hospitality/Fundraising Report: Saige Burns

- Valentine's Day - Organized by Lori Steger - PTSO Staff who are PTSO members will get a goodie bag for Valentine's Day.
 - Broadlands Starbucks will be donating coffee for 100 people
- Ethics Day Breakfast, Thursday March 7 - PTSO will be providing breakfast in the cafeteria for seniors and adult volunteers. Will need some donations and volunteers - sign up genius will go out soon
- Teacher Appreciation luncheon - May 7th in the library - Mrs. Kablan is submitting the room request for the PTSO- all catering quotes have been \$6.00 to \$6.50 per person. We will be serving Chinese food. May be able to get it catered for \$4.00 per person.
 - In the past the SCA and advisory teachers have had the students write post it notes for teachers. They were then displayed on a whiteboard for the teachers.
 - Megan Wright makes cake pops. She is willing to make them for the staff for \$100-\$150 (at cost).
 - Other ideas for teacher appreciation from the meeting:
 - When the yellow daffodils bloomed in the communities around the school, the parents cut the daffodils and placed them throughout the school.
 - There is a woman who sells oils. The teachers could make their own scents and take them home with them.
 - There is a budget of \$2000 for luncheon.
- The fundraising idea has been modified from a bazaar inside the school, to a yard sale/bazaar in the parking lot at SBHS. We will be asking the club/athletic teams to participate to increase attendance from students. We are also hoping for better attendance in the neighborhood because of better visibility.
 - Tim mentioned that we can get food trucks to come to the event but need to pick food trucks from the LCPS approved list. Tim also mentioned that more than likely there will be something else going on during the weekend so it would be good to schedule as early as possible (spring is very busy).
 - Main concern was risk of weather. May want same day as other yard sales. May 11 is the Ashburn Farm yard sale.
 - More than likely we would not charge the sports teams, but would charge the vendors. Plan on separating the vendors from those doing the yard sale. Would like to have the guests walk through the vendors to get to the yard sale items.
 - Plan on busing in people from 55+ communities for the event.
 - Peachjar can be sent to just SBHS or all of the schools in the area (\$25 per school). Plan on using the free advertising in newspapers
- Would like to sell parking spaces to students and they can paint their own spots (do it next year in August)
 - When they redid the parking lot they took away the numbering so would be good to put back the numbering - Maybe an eagle scout project could do it.
 - Spots are sold to Seniors for the school day.
 - Parking spot fees do not all go to the school.
 - Sold over 100 spots this year, but have more spots than people driving.
- Rock Star staff parking

- Staff could park there for the month with lottery for staff parking as well.
- 2020 graduation discussion happens with all of the high school principals in March and Sunday will not be an option for SBHS. Dominion HS has been on a Sunday for a while. SBHS graduation has never been done at SBHS.
 - Woodgrove HS has been indoors because of heat. Graduation handled really well at Riverside and they had it outside.
 - \$15000 for George Mason - only a certain number of slots over 2 days
 - Would be great if Loudoun County built a performing arts center that could be used by all of the LCPS high schools for graduation.

VP Programs Report: Lori Steger

- Turbo Tutoring - offering private tutoring class for \$400 with 10% back to the PTSO, next SAT classes: Feb.23 at Westfield HS and March 6 at SBHS, classes are \$199 with 10% back to the PTSO

Treasurer Report: Craig Steger

- Review of treasurer's report
- \$250 to the SBHS Crew Team last month
- Board approved \$300 to be given toward Ethics Day as a table sponsor
- One new membership in January.

VP Membership/Webmaster Report: Dan/Emily Rittenhouse

- 190 members
- 62 teachers

Scholarship Report: Leena Nathan

- Students will write about a teacher who impacted them during their time at Stone Bridge. They will write a short reflective essay about their time at SBHS.
- There are specifics on the number of words for the essay.
- You have to be a member of PTSO for your senior to apply.
- Last year there were 25 applications and we awarded four \$1000 scholarships. This year there will be upto 3 scholarships that will be awarded. The names are stripped off in order to be fair - no bias. Best odds of getting a scholarship.
- The go live date for accepting the applications will be March 1st.
- Scholarship committee forming - need a few parents who do not have a senior

SEAC Report: Jeanne Murck

- Working on new policy for the county
- Jeanne is overseeing sub-committee for culture and climate - contact Jeanne if you have feedback.
- Teen Trafficking presentation on 2/13.
- Also announcing new Stone Bridge Unified Track Team (Special Olympics)

- see <https://freedomeaglesathletics.org/page/3191> - SEAC award winning program at Freedom as an example - parent volunteers and gen ed student volunteers needed (I have forms for students to participate)
- Goal for Stone Bridge - Become a Special Olympics Unified Champion School?!
<https://www.specialolympics.org/our-work/unified-champion-schools>
(only Rock Ridge and Freedom are so far in Loudoun)

MSAAC Report: Shakira O'Neil

Last month's meeting was informative, as is often the case. A few highlights:

- Implicit bias training for LCPS teachers and members of MSAAC will be held on 2/14, 8:30-11am. Details here: <https://www.lcps.org/domain/102>
- Copy of January's meeting's flier that introduced guest presenters found here: <https://www.lcps.org/cms/lib/VA01000195/Centricity/Domain/102/2019%20Jan%202016%20flier%201.pdf>
- Next meeting is 2/20 from 7-9pm in the LCPS Administration Building.

ANGP Report: Jen Cramer/Mike Marden

- Need volunteers!

Updates from Administrators

1. Accreditation visit got moved - will send out new date
2. SBHS was selected as a personal learning school. Working toward better differentiation to meet the needs of all students in different ways and with better tools.
3. TTM in Sterling creates circuit boards for aircraft. They bought a 3D printer for the library for design prototyping. They will host field trips for SBHS and have seniors intern there.
4. SBHS started a business partnership with the Colonial Seaport Foundation. They have spent 7 years recreating a schooner called the Luna. Students in the Advanced Manufacturing class (elective) are making the ladder into the hold and the captain's desk out of wood and they need to meet coast guard specifications. The prototype for the ladder was .25 off which is amazing. Luna will go from port to port in the Chesapeake and travel to talk about shipping during this time period.

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PTSO Membership - <https://www.lcps.org/domain/4657>
PTSO Meetings - every 2nd Tuesday of the Month in the Library @ 6:30!