

# Soaring Hawk Elementary School PTO Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 21, 2019

Meeting called to order: 4:03

Number present: 12 Board Members absent: 0



## Welcome, President's Report, Aurora Milstein

- Welcome to the 2019-2020 School Year
- Flamingo Flocking is going on now through August 30. To print out a form, go to: [http://soaringhawkpto.weebly.com/uploads/8/6/2/0/8620280/vibrant\\_flamingo\\_concert\\_flyer-4.pdf](http://soaringhawkpto.weebly.com/uploads/8/6/2/0/8620280/vibrant_flamingo_concert_flyer-4.pdf)
- Spirit Gear
  - We still have insulated water bottles, hats, car magnets, and some smaller sized shirts!
- Soaring Hawk Scramble Fun Run
  - Assembly is August 22 at 2:30
  - Scramble Fun Run is August 29 during your child(ren)'s specials time : Come on out and cheer!
  - Goal is \$16,000 net - this is an average of \$30 per student, which will earn every class a party with inflatables
  - We have budgeted to make the same as last year
  - We are hoping to increase our participation from 48% to 100%!
  - We hope to use direct communication from the teachers to parents to encourage the fundraising
- Fundraising Goals:
  - Outdoor improvements: Shade Structure/ Accessible playground equipment/ landscaping/ building projects:
    - Proposed goal of \$10,000 to complete installation of accessible equipment
  - Teacher Grants
    - Proposed budget to distribute \$7,000 in grants for 2019-2020 school year (Grants occur in three month windows each semester. A staff member may only receive one approved grant per semester)
  - Kindness Decor
    - Bathroom stalls
    - Little reminders throughout the building- quotes and signs to encourage community members to be kind
  - Student Assemblies and Field Trips
    - Fifth Grade fundraising for AVID Field Trip
      - The reason for this is that Douglas County will not let us use district transit for extended day field trip. We have to use charter buses, which increases the cost significantly. By having fifth grade teams raise money, we will add this to a special fund that will help reduce the cost
        - Concern about the small percentage of parents who will be involved and do the fundraising, and it will not go very far
        - Potentially using the Holiday Shop as the fundraiser and parent volunteers leveraged by teachers
        - Encourage participation through the grade-level platforms
  - General Fund: Any funds raised above and beyond fundraising goals (or otherwise not stated as a specified goal) will go toward our general fund and will be voted on by the PTO community as need arises.
    - General Fund goes toward teacher grants, snack cart, community events, Welcome Committee, and covering expenses
- We are hoping room parents can help us promote events through their grade/ classroom app
- Popcorn Friday
  - Parents host by grade / utilize room parents

## Vice President's Report, Jillian Just

- Spirit Rock
- Ways to get involved
  - Staff Snack Cart
  - Holiday Shop
  - Popcorn Friday

- Grant Research (great from home)
- Conference Dinners
- Silent Auction
- Light the Night Spring Carnival

#### Treasurer's Report, Kimberly Kolbe

- Updated 2019-2020 budget
- Explanation of new budget format
  - We took a more conservative approach to our budget this year
  - Numbers are based on income over the last year or two
  - Holiday Shop is blank because we do not have anyone to chair it
- We are trying to take a more student-centric approach on our spending this year
  - The largest expense will be the installation of the accessible equipment
  - We would like to bring in special speakers for assemblies, promoting kindness and habits of character: plays from Colorado Shakespeare; Drops in the Bucket Program
    - Question posed as to bringing in military speakers
    - Adding community events similar to Food Truck Friday - possibly adding that to something like the speaker
  - Question posed of maybe saving this year to pay for more of AVID next year
    - At this point our budget will not allow for that, but it is a consideration once we see our numbers at the end of the year
- **2019-2020 budget approved by a vote**

#### Secretary's Report, Jamie Schmeets

- Make sure you sign the Meeting Roll sheet - we will be doing an involvement punch card this year!

#### Principal's Report

- Year has started off well
  - Bond activities are slated for the summer of 2020
  - The temperature varies drastically in the building- we hope this will be addressed with building improvements
- Soft start has been implemented and it is going well. There hasn't seemed to be any negative feedback
- Back to School and Curriculum night were well attended

#### SAC Report

- No SAC Member present and a SAC Meeting has not happened. All parents are welcome- please join!

#### Committee Reports

- BoxTops (Kristin Allen): BoxTops is going digital. Still clip the paper BoxTops, and we will be doing a drive in the fall. But start scanning your receipt. SCAN IT WITHIN 14 DAYS OF PURCHASE. If it has a paper BoxTops you can still scan your receipt and get double points. SUPER EASY!
- Flamingo Flocking: We have raised \$500! Turn in your forms by August 26!
- Weekend Backpack Program
- Spirit Nights - Go to Rita's after the meeting! Monday, September 9 - Papa John's Spirit Night
- Westerra
- Dell
- Orangetheory Fitness
- King Soopers Savings Program

Next PTO Meeting: Wednesday, September 11 @ 2:00pm (Meeting time changed from 4:00pm to 2:00pm in order to accommodate better for schedules)

Meeting moved to adjourn at 5:01 pm by Suzanne Miller, Seconded by Kristin Allen

#### Upcoming Events

August 19 - August 30 : Flamingo Flocking  
 Thursday, August 22, 2:30 : Soaring Hawk Scramble Assembly  
 Thursday, August 29 : Soaring Hawk Scramble Fun Run  
 Monday, September 2 : No School (Labor Day)  
 Friday, September 6 : Scramble Pledges Due  
 Monday, September 9 : Papa John's Spirit Night  
 Wednesday, September 11, 2:00pm : PTO Meeting  
 Thursday, September 12 : Scramble Prize Day  
 Friday, September 20 : No school (PD Day)  
 Tuesday, September 24, 3:00pm to close : AstroTap Spirit Night  
 Friday, September 27 : Popcorn Friday

SHE PTO 2019-2020 Budget				
Beginning of the Year Balance	\$15,778.76			
	Income	Expenses	Profit	SHE Expenses
School Supply Kits	\$1,525.89		\$1,525.89	
Corporate Donations	\$500.00		\$500.00	
Hawk Scramble	\$21,000.00	\$8,742.00	\$12,258.00	
Butter Braids	\$9,700.00	\$6,000.00	\$3,700.00	
Flamingo Flocking	\$1,500.00	\$150.00	\$1,350.00	
Spirit Gear	\$6,567.00	\$5,742.62	\$824.38	
Spirit Nights	\$1,400.00		\$1,400.00	
Spring Fundraiser Event (Light the Night)	\$2,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00	
Play It Forward Auction	\$11,000.00	\$375.00	\$10,625.00	
Box Tops/Coca Cola rewards	\$900.00	\$175.00	\$725.00	
King Sooper Cards	\$250.00		\$250.00	
Art Show	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00		
Spirit Rock	\$500.00	\$50.00	\$450.00	
Parents' Night Out	\$1,000.00	\$300.00	\$700.00	
Holiday Shop				
Avid 4 Adventure 6th Grade Scholarships				\$500.00
6th Grade International Town				\$2,400.00
DCEF	\$100.00			\$800.00
Teacher Snack Cart				\$1,250.00
Staff Appreciation, Hospitality & Sunshine Committee				\$3,000.00
Welcome Committee				\$650.00
PTO Supplies, Printing & PR, Pay Pal Fees, Credit Card fees				\$2,000.00
Book Fair				\$150.00
School Grants				\$7,000.00
Teacher Supplies				\$4,000.00
Popcorn Friday				\$500.00
Kindness Program				\$500.00
Staff Lounge				\$2,000.00
Playground				\$10,000.00
Assemblies/Special Events				\$7,600.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$35,308.27</b>	<b>\$42,350.00</b>
<b>Beginning of the Year Balance</b>			<b>\$15,778.76</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$51,087.03</b>	<b>\$42,350.00</b>