

# School for Creative and Performing Arts Board Meeting

PTSO Meeting Agenda: October 14, 2025

Attendance: Brigid Huey, Jesse Draud, Kevin Whitman, Teresa Dinwiddie-Hermann, Shannon Stewart, Cybele McGazi, Melissa Jones, James Jones, Bridget Kennedy, Genna Lanham, Teresa Summe-Haas

## President- Brigid

### 1. PBIS

#### a. Star Store Updates-

Lots of donations from parents and staff, but they would like some more things-principal Owens has a fund that can take care of needs right now. \$1800 is set aside for the store, some of this has already been spent. **We will make an announcement on the FB page for donations from parents for stuff. Parent Volunteers for Friday redemption time- Send out volunteer sign up sheet. Grades go at different time bands. Define shifts on the sign up**

b. Teacher incentives resource request- chilli cookoff, tailgate party, valentines day bake off, end of year staff party. Jesse thinks this is something that PTSO **would not** fund. We have sponsored gift cards in the past. Teresa: We are supporting the community, we can't operate in the red, supporting with gift cards is great. Feeding is a duplicate and shouldn't be included in our funding. We have an extra \$1000 to spend on something that hasn't already been planned for. Very small budget. In spring, we can reevaluate depending upon how much money we make during fundraisers.\$100 per event perhaps. We can point out how we are already feeding staff.

2. Resource Request for 5th and 6th grade ELA space- around \$360 collected on Zeffy for creating a book cafe. PTSO would like to donate \$200. **We will be looking into donating books as well. We will need some photos for website promotion. Send home flyers asking for books through ELA teachers.**

3. Food for Homecoming- Brigid and Kevin will go to Sam's to get the desserts.

4. November Conferences-. November 20th. **Shannon will be doing food for conferences. Our budget is \$700 for each conference. Bridget is proposing to raise that budget to \$800.(Approved) Parents donate desserts?**

5. **Garten Klub:** Ms. Martich and a few dedicated parents are doing great with this. The goal is to have the garden up and running by Spring of 26. There is currently a rat problem in the site (eww!!) which is being taken care of by CPS. The Klub is working on finding grants, etc for funding.

6. **Tiller:** This is our new bookkeeping system. In a nutshell, it's around \$80 a year and is a pre-made spreadsheet that pulls info directly from our bank. The co-treasurers and I have done a lot of detailed work with it, and it seems to be working well so far.

7. **PTSO Wiki:** <https://sites.google.com/view/ptso-wiki/home?pli=1&authuser=4>

8. **November Meeting:** First Tuesday is Election Day, second Tuesday is Veterans Day. **So, I think we need to move our meeting to November 18.** Thoughts?

## **VP Fundraising- Kevin**

1. SCPA After Hours [Results & Recap](#)
2. Seussical Concessions & Candy Grams [Planning-](#)
3. PTSO will make sure every student in the show gets a candy gram on opening night
4. **Need pop o gram sales volunteers, backstage parents, and parents to help with food during tech and performances. Shannon will generate a sign up genius for this.**

## **Treasurer- Bridget and Joe**

1. Financial updates-

After hours gross: \$11,690.48

Expenses after hours: \$3113.34

Profit from SCPA after hours:\$8,577.14

Current PTSO balance in the bank: \$15,269

Activity since last PTSO meeting: PBIS (218.19) ; Conference Meals(769.44) over budget; Literacy Night(95) over budget; Kroger Rewards income (1141.02)

## **Volunteer Director-Shannon**

1. Volunteer Needs for October and November (Seussical)-see # 4 in fundraising
2. Adding our Conference food feedback to PTSO Wiki-

## **Administration**

1. Mr. Jones: 6th grade artistic assessment.  
At 6th grade level students are getting into career tech courses and there's an evaluation of who should stay at SCPA.  
Video guide and letter can be found on the arts tab of the SCPA website and all the things you need to know about the school selection process that takes place in 6th grade.  
There will be a pre-assessment at the end of October with a rubric.  
The final assessment is the week before 3/15 to see if you are going to be able to continue through SCPA.  
Preparation is key to combatting nervousness and uncertainty. There has been a negative connotation with boards, but the administration really wants to assist each student to be the most successful student they can be.  
Boards are still happening but it doesn't decide if you're leaving. They are now a graded exam that will count as 25% of the students grade..  
2. Teresa Summe-Haus: The SCPA fund has provided: 600 students going to Green Acres, and an additional reading specialist

## **New Business**

1. 3-6 Breakfast and Lunch policies-tabled

2. Cybele McGazi-parking information. Student parking. Tri State Parking 40 car lot, where he could squeeze in 55 cars. Passes would be cheaper if they deal with school only. How many students drive to school-maybe survey?