School for Creative and Performing Arts
General Meeting
November 10, 2026

Monthly Theme: GRATITUDE

Welcome - Brigid Huey

Administration

-Principal/Asst.Principal

1. Kicked off character strong in October, and EMPATHY awards were given to one student in each class. November is RESPONSIBILITY, and December is RESPECT.
2. In school performances for Frozen will be Thursday and Friday this week. In school performances for Drama will be next week for grades 9-12.
3. Parent Teacher Conferences will be held Thursday, December 3rd. Requests are being put in for Title 1 funds to help with feeding staff. Ms. Makinen will let PTSO know if we need to order food for that.
4. Planning has begun for the staff holiday party, and we want to have baskets to raffle off. If anyone is able to put a basket or 2 together for a raffle they would appreciate that. We will put it on the website and Tywanna will work on this as well.

-Mr.Jones, Artistic Director

1. November Artistic Newsletter -sent out to staff, students and families with audition information for upcoming drama productions
2. Frozen Opening week! Almost sold out for ALL public performances
3. Continue to spread the word on auditions for the school, all information can be found on the SCPA website-dates for applications for students in grades 4-11 are due @ 11:59 pm on December 30

President- Brigid

1. October PTSO Recap
    a. After Hours - THANK YOU.
    b. Literacy Night-Shannon and Bridget attended and it was really well attended by the students
    c. Homecoming Desserts - Thank you Elizabeth! Delicious and beautiful cupcakes to go with the Night in Rio theme
    d. Mini Grant #1-Brigid will post these on our instagram. Maureen Brenner, new teacher, needed supplies for her new classroom. Ms. Martich, German teacher, is creating a puppet show project in German for her students
    e. Garden Klub ran garden day where they cleaned up the gardens! Spring planting will be the next public activity.
    f. Clothing rack for Lost and Found was purchased by PTSO. We are taking a video of the items once a week to show parents.
2. Major Musical is this week!
    a. Concessions-our second biggest fundraiser! They will be set up in the spirit shop and in the urban curve.
    b. Decorations-Shannon Stewart, Kellie Hunkler, Kris Patton, and Jen Sims are decorating the lobby

c. Wish Tree-Frozen Tree with classroom wishes for teachers. Patrons will take a snowflake and purchase the items for the teachers! We will also have a THANK YOU TEACHERS! sign to show our gratitude!
d. Parent Teacher Conferences-December 3rd. Mr. Draud may be able to provide food through title 1 funds. Administration will let us know soon if they need us to purchase food.

3.December Cocoa Chat- December 8th We need a game,cocoa, and cookies. Mingle 4:30-5:30, with PTSO meeting beginning at 5:30. Students are invited to come with their parents. We will do a movie and popcorn for them. Kellie and Brigid to take care of refreshments.

4.Start thinking about recruiting! If your term is up, think about potential candidates who may be interested. We will have a sign at the cocoa chat to ask about interest in future involvement.

VP Fundraising- Tywanna

1. See 2a under President - Brigid
    - Parking pass/permit for Frozen After Hours winner-Ms. Makinen will take care of this for Tywanna
2. Boosterthon - Jaqueline Cox wants our support. Tywanna will be the liaison. We need more details to make a decision. They are a for profit organization. 50% we keep, 50% goes to the company. There are school restrictions on how the money can be used, it has to be used directly for student stuff. We need to find out what she wants to use the money for. Pledgestar maybe? Shannon's other PTSO school uses them.
3. Beverage options desired for 12/8 Coffee Chat- just going to do cocoa no coffee.

Treasurer- Bridget & Elizabeth

1. We have raised $13,800 this year so far and spent $7364 so far this fiscal year
2. Matching gifts program

Communications-Clara

1. The Spiritwear shop on Bonfire.com has been set up. It will go on sale with the Major Musical performances this week. Sales go live on Thursday! We will not have inventory and customers will order directly from website and get it shipped to them. Link will be on the wearescpa.org website. All proceeds go to PTSO!

Volunteer Director-Shannon

1. Sign up genius will be sent out in daily call the rest of the Frozen run for concessions volunteers

Questions/Comments

- Brain Bowl-tryouts will be Monday for 4th-6th grade. Students will report to Ms. Bradley's class at recess and take a 20 minute test to try out.

- Supplying STAR store is going to be more expensive than we originally thought. We will need 2-3 times more than what we budgeted. We are looking at Title 1 to see what we can get from them. How can we make this sustainable moving forward? We need a plan for next year. Realistically we need to triple it this year. Inflation needs to hit the store and we need to provide more “free” items, like free recess, no homework pass, etc. Maybe we need to create an Amazon wishlist to have items for the store directly shipped? Donate the spiritwear? Local grocery stores could be a sponsor? Ask for parents to donate trinkets they aren’t using at home?

Dates to Remember

- November 12-15: Major Musical Concessions
- November 18: LSDMC Meeting
- November 23-27: NO SCHOOL - Holiday Break
- December 3: Parent/Teacher Conferences
- December 8: PTSO Monthly Meeting AND Coffee Chat #2

Action Items

Shannon: Email the stage manager (Kelsey) to resend the concession Sign-Up Genius to all parents and include it in the daily calls.

Bridget: Follow up with Ms. Jackie to get more details on the proposed BoosterThon.
Brigid: Coordinate with Mr. Draud and Ms. Makinen regarding parent-teacher conference food and potential Title I funding.
Tywanna: Contact Mr. Doug to coordinate the delivery and intake of 18 cases of water.
Clara: Launch the spirit wear on Bonfire.com the next morning at 9:00 AM and send a PTSO announcement email.
Clara: Set up QR codes in the Star Store for the new spirit wear designs. **Tywanna:** Email Principal Makinen regarding the parking pass for the After Hours FROZEN ticket package winner.
Teresa: Reach out to more parents to fill remaining Friday night concession slots. **PTSO Team:** Start identifying potential recruits for open board positions before terms end.

NEEDS:

1. Items for Staff Holiday Raffle Baskets
2. Star Store items donated: food, drinks, trinkets, games, etc
3. Volunteers for Major Musical Concessions