

**South Colby PTSO General Meeting  
September 11, 2018  
South Colby Library**

**ATTENDING:** Amanda deKlaver, Rikki Christensen, Beth Miller, Dana Clay-Roney, Tori Smith, Joe Riley, Courtney Vetter, Elise Kenny, Meghan Edwards, Judi Bauer, Alexandra Kusheuet, Kelli DuPuis, Tracy Hickle

**CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Amanda. Welcome to everyone attending the first meeting of the new school year tonight and those watching the meeting live on Facebook.

The May 2018 Meeting Minutes were reviewed. A motion to approve was made by Tori. Seconded by Dana. Minutes were approved by vote.

The 2018-19 Budget was reviewed by Dana. She discussed the major areas of the budget, fundraisers, and took questions. There was a discussion concerning Patti Sauer's Tech Assistant position at the school. We will be delaying the posting of the position to accommodate her family issues. We would also like to acknowledge her service to South Colby and dedication to the students by providing a getaway stay at a local resort for her and her husband to spend time together in this difficult time for them. This was approved by vote up to \$600 beyond the donated room. We will try to get more donations as well. A motion to approve the budget was made by Tracy. Seconded by Amanda. The budget was approved by vote.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Dana reported on account activity since May. There was a carryover from last year's budget which was allocated toward Chromebooks/Carts which have been purchased.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**WELCOME BACK NIGHT:** Amanda reported that the evening was very busy. Most families attended.

**TEARS AND CHEERS: (formally Tissues and Treats)** Rikki attended as a parent and others at the meeting with kindergarteners thought it was a nice welcome and provided a lot of good information and a chance to meet other parents. A parent suggested that this information would be helpful to ALL new parents coming to the school. Joe will consider how this might work.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**POPCORN COORDINATOR:** Meghan Edwards has volunteered as popcorn coordinator this year. Popcorn volunteer and prepay forms will go out this Friday. Amanda and Meghan will cover popcorn until a volunteer schedule can be set up.

**OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT:** Tori discussed the upcoming movie fun night for families on September 21st at 6pm. Movie will be Sherlock Gnomes and it will be held out on the playground shed. Refreshments will be available. Tori would like 8-12 volunteers to help out that night.

**GIVING DRIVE:** Kelli shared that this fall's Giving Drive will kickoff on September 21st and run until October 19th. Our goal this year is \$10,000. This fundraiser is strictly a monetary donation fundraiser. Each classroom will have a decorated shoe box with a photo of Mr. Riley in a ballerina costume as an incentive to encourage their families to donate and to remind that donations can be turned in at anytime. Teachers will also keep track of the money raised in their room. Jena will be visiting classrooms once a week to collect donations and check on progress. Final numbers will be counted October 19. Announced October 22. Mr. Riley will dress up on October 23 if the goal is met. The deadline will be firm for the reward goal, though late donations will always be accepted at anytime. There will also be an online donation option this year. This fundraiser, along with the auction, is the major fundraiser for the PTSO annual budget. There are volunteer jobs available to help set up the boxes for classrooms and to organize the flyers that will go home, and to make posters to hang up around the school. Talk to Kelli if you are interested in helping out.

**WALMART GRANT:** The PTSO has received a \$2500 grant from Walmart.

## **SCHOOL REPORT**

-Joe reported that things are going great so far. Kindergarten started this week and there will be interviews this week for 3 hours of para support per Kindergarten classroom.

-Teachers are very appreciative of the PTSO Stipend of \$200 per teacher.

-Joe discussed various ways the district is trying to make school costs equitable for all students (school supplies for K-3, SAT/PSAT testing, etc).

-Joe requested the PTSO funding of \$600 a shed that could be permanently outside on the playground where playground equipment and safety items could be stored without having to go inside for everything or taking a cart back and forth. Rikki also discussed some playground games that she has seen. Beth moved to use \$600 plus tax from the Walmart Grant to fund the shed. Amanda seconded. Motion was approved by vote.

**-Student Council: Courtney described the role of student council at South Colby. The group does fundraisers, community service, and gives back to the school with at least one project a year. She is currently working with the four new officers and classroom reps from grades 4-5 will be selected soon.**

**-Courtney discussed 5th grade camp. They will have a preview day at the camp on Sept. 21, and then 4 days of camp in January. Danielle Freeze has volunteered to run fundraising for the camp fee. Danielle organized this for many years, so we appreciate her help this year.**

**RAFFLE: The raffle is a family pack of tickets to Pacific Science Center. Entries came from Welcome Back Night and PTSO Meeting Parent Attendees. The winner is Abbie Nelson.**

**Dana motioned to close the meeting. Amanda seconded. Motion passed. Meeting ended at 8:10pm.**

**NEXT MEETING October 9, 2018.**