



## **SHEPAUG VALLEY SCHOOL PTO**

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### **SVS PTO Meeting Minutes – May 6, 2019 - Room A4**

#### **Call to Order**

The SVS PTO meeting was called to order at 6:05 on Monday, May 6, 2019 by SVS PTO Chairman Paula Conway in Room A4

#### **Board Members Present**

Paula Conway, Michelle Frankland, Julie King, Daphne Parker

#### **SVS Parents/Guardians Present**

Linda Schneider

#### **SVS Administrators and Educator(s) Present**

None

#### **Board of Education Members, and Educator(s) Present**

Jennifer Pote

#### **Special Guests**

Region 12 Board of Education candidates for Washington - Joseph Abdella and Mary Vallis Weber

#### **Introductions**

Candidates for the two open Board of Education seats for the town of Washington were invited to introduce themselves and speak at the PTO meeting. Joseph Abdella and Mary Vallis Weber participated. No other candidates were present.

#### **Approval of Previous Minutes - Paula Conway**

Minutes from the April 1, 2019 SVS PTO meeting were reviewed and approved.

#### **Treasurer's Report - Michelle Frankland**

The treasurer's report for May was presented and approved with an ending balance of \$17,194.88. The treasurer noted this number does not reflect checks to be written for budgeted field trips and scholarships.

#### **SVS Principal's Report - Not present**

No report.

#### **R12 BOE Representative Report – Jennifer Pote**

- Budget vote will be held on May 7, 2019 in Bridgewater, Roxbury, Washington



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- Two seats on the Board of Education are up for election in Washington and four candidates for these seats will appear on the ballot.
- Bridgewater and Roxbury will hold their elections for Board of Education members at a later date. One seat from Bridgewater and one seat from Roxbury will be involved in the upcoming vote.

### **SVS PTO Agenda**

1. No grant requests received this month.

### **SVS PTO New Business - SVS PTO Board**

1. PTO Nominations for the 2019/20 Board - Paula Conway asked for suggestions on how to encourage parents to run for the board. The board discussed the following ideas:
  - a. consider reducing the frequency of PTO meetings to once per quarter
  - b. consider revisiting the bylaws to allow parents new to the school to run for office vs having to be here a minimum of 5 months

### **SVS PTO Old Business**

1. PTO Scholarships— 19 applications were received from the three Senior Scholarships and 9 parents have volunteered as readers. Daphne Parker will provide readers with a rubric for scoring the essays. PTO Scholarships for Seniors will be presented on June 5, 2019. The announcement for the three Junior Scholarships will go out this week. If no Juniors apply, the PTO board will consider shifting these scholarships to the Seniors.
2. Basketball Concessions - Linda Schneider mentioned there are a few items left over from this season and suggested they be used at the graduation reception.
3. Staff appreciation has been scheduled for Thursday, May 23rd at 7:15AM. Paula Conway will chair this event. Gifts will be provided for the front office staff and custodians.
4. 8th Grade Reception will be held on Friday, June 14, 2019. Nicole Ross has volunteered to chair this event.
5. 12th Grade Reception will be held on Saturday, June 15, 2019. Paula Conway will reach out to Sandy Moore to chair this event.
6. Senior Collage Frames are in the front office and an email is going out to parents and seniors to encourage them to pick them up.

### **Other Comments/Suggestions**

None.

### **Call to Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned by Paula Conway at 7:15PM

*Minutes submitted by SVS PTO Secretary, Julie King 6/3/19.*