

## PTO Meeting - October 17, 2018

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Julie DeLong provided the latest Treasurer's report. Total Fundraising revenue to date is \$43,788. Total Program/Event revenue to date is \$46,679. Less than 25% of the SHE families have contributed to the Fall Fundraiser.

### **VP of Technology**

- A motion was made to add the position of VP of Technology to the PTO Executive Board. The motion was seconded, and approved by a majority vote. Preetly Wang will now serve as the VP of Technology.

### **Membership Chair**

- Jessica McMichael spoke about the big push to increase PTO membership and encourage greater donation rates to the Fall Fundraiser. The start of the school year saw a lower than average percentage of families donating and so suggestions were made about options for increasing awareness about the importance of the fund.

### **Committee Updates**

#### a. Book Fair

- Shannon Cook Durrant talked about the Dive into Reading Book Fair scheduled for the week of October 22-26. She asked for volunteers and passed a sign up sheet for those interested in helping.

#### b. Staff Appreciation

- Jennifer McCarthy spoke on behalf of the five new Staff Appreciation Committee members. She passed a sign up sheet for those interested in helping with the various events throughout the year.

#### c. Fundraising/Vendor Bonus

- Stephanie Short talked about the changes to the Bids for Kids Auction. There will be a name change and the invitations will now go out to the entire PTO membership. Stephanie is currently searching a shadow VP to assist this year and then take over the position for the 2019-20 school year.

#### d. Box Tops

- Kim Saxenian will once again chair this committee. She explained the format for submitting boxtops.

#### e. Room Parents

- Kristina Han spoke about the need to include more parents in classroom participation and the importance of reaching out to families with foreign language speakers.

### **Principal Aiello Presentation**

Principal Aiello gave a presentation with a corresponding slide show about her vision for

the future of SHE, including the FCPS "Portrait of a Graduate" platform. She talked about her desire to incorporate the word "Elevate" into every element of the school community, including staff satisfaction, quality of instruction and physical school grounds. She wants to introduce new collaborative learning tools. She talked about the recent visit by the new FCSP Superintendent the VA Board of Excellence Award presented to SHE. The physical building and maintenance thereof is an area of concern for Principal Aiello and she is putting a strong emphasis on safety and access. She will be exploring options to replace "Cafeteria Pick Up" as it presents significant concerns.

### **Upcoming Events**

- a. 9/28: Room Parent Meeting 8:45am Large Pod
- b. 10/5: New Family Coffee 9:00am Large Pod
- c. 10/6: New Family Play date 10:30 am SHES Playground
- d. 10/10: National Walk and Bike to School Day
- e. 10/18: Evening PTO Meeting – 7pm in the Cafeteria
- f. 10/22-26: Book Fair
- g. 10/23: Ice Cream Social

### **How to Stay Informed**

- a. The SCOOP Newsletter (emailed on Tues each week)
- b. PTO Website: [www.springhillpto.org](http://www.springhillpto.org)
- c. Facebook (Spring Hill PTO)
- d. PantherPress(emailed every other Wed)