SCO Meeting Notes

Tuesday, January 8, 2019 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Room 101

- -Introductions/Meeting Attendance: 2 Admin, 1 Teacher, 1 School Board Member, 7 Parents
- **-Updates from School** (Principal/Administration)
 - *Blackboard Connect is primary communication tool for parents. If you are not receiving this email, check your email address on Infinite Campus or call the school office.
 - *Food Drive collected over 10,000 pounds of food during the month of December, so students earned school wide Reward Day on December 21st.
 - *Behaviors are continuing to improve in the building:
 - -We are averaging under 1 fight a week
 - -Students in the hallways are being given tougher consequences. Tardies and unexcused absences are now being combined. Starting 2nd Semester, January 28, any student with 2 or more tardies and/or unexcused absences in one day will be given a half day of in school suspension.
 - *Student of the Month Program just honored the 3rd group of students. Student names can be found in monthly newsletters and on Facebook. The school is working on including the student names on the school's PBIS website link.
 - *Final Exam Week is January 22-24.
 - -EARLY RELEASE ALL WEEK (January 22 & 23 at 1:30, January 24 at 10:55)
 - -Busing will be provided
 - -No School on January 21 and 25.
 - -Grab and Go Lunch on January 24 will be offered to students
- -Review of Minutes from Previous Meeting (12-4-18)
- **-Election of Officers** (President, Vice President, Secretary and/or Treasurer and Parent Rep at School Board meetings)
 - **President: Cyndi Benisch has offered to be Interim President for the remainder of the year.
 - **No other positions were filled at this time. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Cyndi Benisch at cyndi.benisch@gmail.com

-Updates on Activities & Upcoming Events

- *Because we are halfway through the year, we will focus on providing gift cards to all staff for Teacher Appreciation Week, May 6-10.
- *A survey for staff on what locations they would like to be given gift cards for will be created by Cyndi Benisch. This survey will be given to teaching staff at the next Staff Meeting on January 23.
- *In the future a "wish list" may be created for each teacher rather than doing gift cards.
- *Student appreciation by house or resource may also be given in the future.
- *Possibly help the student council with finding chaperones for the end of the year dance

-Fundraising Updates

*Currently no money is available to fund events. Our first fundraiser will be to ask parents to donate gift cards for teachers and other building staff for Teacher Appreciation Week in May.

*School Admin will check with Nora Smith to see what needs to be done to create an account for SCO versus using a Fund 21 account. **Fund 21 is not an option. A parent would need to contact the bank to set up the account. They are familiar with the process needed to open this account as they have done it for other SP Schools. Two parents would be given access to the account. One or both would need to be responsible for keeping track of money collected and given out.

-Guest Speaker on "Topic for the Night"

The 4 Topics for upcoming meetings will be:

- 1. School Safety by the School Resource Officer (SRO)
- 2. Brain Science for Teens
- 3. Equity & E Team Initiatives
- 4. DPI -District Use of Mental Health and School Safety Grants, specific to CHUMS

Other possible topics for future meetings:

- 1. Food Service and Meal Planning for school
- 2. DPI -Concerns for Public Schools Today
- 3. Technology -Internet Safety for Teens and/or Technology Use in Schools
- 4. DO -Curriculum Updates such as anything new being introduced
- 5. Referendum -If it does or does not pass in April, what does it mean for CHUMS?

-Next Meeting Date: MONDAY, February 4, 2019 from 6:00 to 7:30 PM.

Quest Topic/Speaker for the Night:

Equity Initiatives at CHUMS by LaRon Ragsdale, Dean of Students

MEETINGS will now be **on the 1st MONDAY of every month:

March 4th: Guest Speaker -School Safety by Officer Tommy Foy

April 1st

May 6th

Additional Notes Discussed at the meeting

- **Referendum Updates from Tom Weber our SCO School Board Advocate
- -Referendum Questions being written now for ballot in April
- -If the referendum for a 2nd High School is passed. An additional proposal may be that CHUMS will become a 3rd Middle School for grades 6-8. The building may also house PPA and Professional Development space for staff.
- -Additional committees of community members will be formed before any final decisions will be made.
- **Someone needs to contact Patty Lux Weber to get our SCO meeting dates entered into the next school year district calendar.