

**Socastee Middle School PTO April 2024 Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday April 9, 2024 9:00am-11:00am**

- Attending:
  - Rhona Williams, President
  - Anna Quilter, Treasurer
  - Ashley Stathos, Secretary
  - Lyndsay Layton
  - Juliet Midkiff
  - Tiffany Roderick
  - Melody Spencer
  - Lisa Melchione, Principal
- Principal/ Administration Report:
  - Thank you Nominations and Election Committee for your assistance this year!
    - Mrs. Melchione
    - Mr. Kern
    - Ms. Naccarato
    - Stayce Herriott
    - Alicia Thompson
    - Susan Frech
  - Lisa reported that we did not have to do elections because there was only one person per position and the results have been published: Cori Lamb, President; Anna Quilter, VP; Stacy Herriott, Treasurer; Juliet Midkiff, Secretary
    - Vaping night happened. The Shoreline representative was very impactful as was Dr. Mencken. Lisa reported that we will try to do the seminar again next year at beginning of school year
    - Class meetings for fourth quarter have happened. Lisa talked about see something, say something
    - Waves of the Future is Sunday. Drama will be performing. 3rd quarter awards will be next week. Kona Ice rewards are this Friday. 8th grade will be touring SHS on 4/18. Special Olympics 4/22. Free physicals are being offered on 4/27 by Conway Medical Center.
- President/ Vice President Report: (Rhona/Cori)
  - Current members on email list: 130
  - Old business:
    - 5th grade Parent/ Student Night: 4/25/24 5:00pm-7:00pm at SMS

- Rebecca and Rhona plan to have table with PTO info and sell spirit wear
  - Lauren asked Mr. Softee to bring a truck for a spirit event for this night
  - Sell spirit wear items now at close out price: \$10 t-shirts, \$7 stadium bags, \$5 clearance
- 8th Grade Dance: Wednesday May 1, 2024
- Need date for 8th Grade Picnic Monday, June 3 (tentative) — need to reach out to Fun Warehouse to see if they will grill again, need 6th and 7th grade parents to help set up and clean up (6 people); will reach out to Jennifer Ball to see if we can borrow their tents for seating; Lisa had mentioned bringing more tables from cafeteria; may set up food outside of patio to help with bottleneck and to give more room for patio seating; will also add sign up to donate watermelon or drinks, etc.; add RSVP so that we can ask about vegetarian option; budget is \$1100
- Warriors for Paws Collection: 4/15/24-4/19/24
- Kona Ice Test Rewards: 4/12/24 10:15 am-1:30 pm, **need number of students confirmed per time.**
- Fundraising:
  - SHSAA Braves for Others Raffle - 125 tickets left on hand
  - Stella's Homemade Ice Cream: Ice Cream Wars
    - Schools competing: Socastee Middle, Forestbrook Middle, Myrtle Beach Middle, Seaside Elementary, Socastee Elementary, Burgess Elementary.
    - Prizes:
      - 1st: \$1250.00
      - 2nd: \$750.00
      - 3rd: \$500.00
    - Ms. Leon and Ms. Hill offered to help students create and vote on a flavor to feature from SMS that represents the school's character. **School flavor is due by 4/18/24.** Stella's will purchase and create the flavor and feature it at the Murrells Inlet location from 4/22/24-5/5/24. Only doing it at Murrells Inlet location since all schools are basically on south end
      - Extended learning - they are finished, \$140 budget, will provide a treat for those who participated
- Treasurer Report: Anna
  - [April Financial Report](#)

- On track, good income from concessions, Drama should be set with money needed to buy the book for next year; Income update: hoping to get \$500 from spirit wear, \$400 spirit nights left, we don't expect too much income for rest of year; Ms Bell is confirming with clubs if they are spending money allocated
- [Current Operating Budget](#)
- Secretary Report: Ashley
  - Review of [Unapproved March Minutes](#)
  - Call for a vote to approve minutes. - motion to approve Tiffany Second Juliet; minutes are approved
- Pretzel Committee Report: Juliet and Lyndsay
  - Punch card sales for March, 3 punch cards were sold (5 punch card) total \$60.
  - Total punch cards sales for the year \$1,780.00.
  - March dates:
    - 3/6 - 105 ordered (20 salt/ 85 cinnamon) sold out
    - 3/13 - 105 ordered (20 salt/ 85 cinnamon) sold 99
    - 3/20 - 100 ordered (20 salt/ 80 cinnamon) sold 70
      - Note: 3/20 was a testing day
    - 3/27 - 85 ordered
    - Requesting a countdown on social media to try to get more people
  - Spreadsheet for sales updated for March.
    - [Pretzel Report](#)
  - April dates: 4/ 10, 4/17, 4/24 (last day).
  - Would like social media to continue to push our last few dates in April.
- Concessions Committee Report: Melody and Christina
  - [Final Concessions Report for Year](#)
  - Drama Performances: \$1986.00 estimated gross sales
    - Rhona bought out remaining booth at cost (\$83.00)
    - Rhona donated remaining candy to Lakewood Elementary for May Drama shows.
    - Concessions events are complete for the school year and booth has been cleaned out and organized.
    - Mr. Macheski informed of temperature on fridge.
    - Thank you to all who volunteered for the shows!
- Spirit Wear Committee: Rebecca and Danielle
  - Would like board to consider close out sale for remainder of school year (April and May):
    - All t-shirts: \$10
    - Stadium clear bags: \$7

- Clearance shirts: \$5
  - [Current Inventory](#)
  - Next and final event to sell spirit wear for the school year is 5th Grade Parent and Student Night on 4/25/24 5:00pm-7:00pm.
- Hospitality Committee: Tiffany and Melissa
  - Snack table for testing dates in March was successful. Feedback received regarding emphasis for healthier options that were provided.. Staff appreciated the support! Thank you!
  - April Staff Appreciation:
    - 4/8/24 School Librarian Day
    - 4/24/24 School Secretary Day
  - May Staff Appreciation:
    - 5/1/24 School Principal Day
    - 5/3/24 School Lunch Hero Day
    - Staff Appreciation Week: 5/6/24-5/10/24 \$800 left, donations are at \$180
      - Monday 5/6/24: Texas Roadhouse Luncheon
        - Need steak temps from staff and protein selection.
        - Vegetarian option? Tiffany will need a google form for Macheski to send to teachers for steak temps and protein option and time of lunch, also a question about whether or not they require vegetarian option
        - Need lunch times. Can set up at 10:45, 11:30-1:00 service time
        - Parent coverage? No
        - Will need a dessert
      - Tuesday 5/7/24: TBD - water bar? Stella's truck? Pelican's?
      - Wednesday 5/8/24: Breakfast (Eggs Up) \*School Nurse Day
      - Thursday 5/9/24: Yogurt Parfait Bar iced on rolling carts (testing)
      - Friday 5/10/24: Nothing Bundt Cakes
  - Staff Appreciation Direct Donation link has been live and is on social media, website, and newsletter. Will continue to run until the end of 5/10/24.
- Spirit Nights Report: Lauren
  - [Spirit Night Report](#)
  - Marco's March event: \$27.80 \*last Marco's date for school year
    - Total donated from Marco's for the school year: \$324.89 to PTO, \$95.63 to Drama.

- April: TGIFriday's (Myrtle Beach only, Murrells Inlet is closed) 4/11/24, 4:00pm-7:00pm, 20% back, followed up on sponsor request, TBD.
- Will also get % back from Mr. Softee for 5th Grade Parent Night
- May:
  - Mellow Mushroom 5/8/24 20% back, flyer received
  - Wonderworks 5/31/24 (last spirit event) \$15 tickets, \$5 donated back per ticket. Flyer received.
- PTO Website/ Social Media Report: Josh
  - [April Social Media Calendar](#)
  - Working on transition video for website management.
- Teacher Reps: no report provided.

**Last PTO Meeting: Tuesday 5/7/24 9:00am-11:00am at SMS  
Unapproved Minutes and Agenda Items/ Reports due by 4/29/24**