

PSAC Meeting Monday, November 17, 2014

Those in attendance: Lisa Puzio, Ann Frisbie, Kim Wood, Lee Ann Whitesell, Jackie Sims, Cara Moore, and Stacy Stiltner

November Teacher Appreciation Breakfast: Special thanks to WMHS parents for organizing. A thank you card from Mrs. Hamilton was read to the group.

Nov. 22nd Lego League breakfast at Shelburn:

Food needs to be there by 7:45. Breakfast food bagels, food, juice 25 people. Ann will set up the google doc sign up list and send to RELHS parents; Cara will pick up food from SVGS on Friday and take to Shelburne Middle.

Dec. 17th Holiday Brunch:

Need about 5 parents to set up and clean up. Kim Wood will set up the Volunteerspot.com and send to Cara who will then send out in an email with details to parents. Parents will sign up for the item(s) they wish to contribute. Email reminder will be sent out closer to date.

VDOE Visit: Members of the VDOE met with faculty, students, and parents about the SVGS. The general consensus was concern for the aging facility. When the building was designed it was built for 1 chem lab and 1 physics lab. SVGS students are not able to do the latest types of research based in an outdated facility. We need the community, businesses, politicians to understand the need for a safe, academically competitive environment for the students.

- Ideas: SVGS would like to speak to the Industrial Round Table through the S,W,A Chamber of Commerce (see Kim Wood) She can also help coordinate students into groups who can go out and speak to groups in the community.
- SVGS is working on collaborations with JMU, UVA, and Mary Baldwin. What are the universities looking for in students? Are we adequately preparing our SVGS students with the current facility/materials/technology that we have?

Fundraising:

Fundraising letter went out on email 11/16/14 to the entire distribution list. We hope to meet our fundraising goal by Dec. 31st. If not, we may need to look at other possibilities:

DonorsChoose.org

AmazonSmile

Pledge cards

Alumni letters

Sending the fundraising letter in the mail to parents (postage)

Raising awareness and opportunities to give to the SVGS Endowment Fund

Next Meeting Date: early January TBA

Adjourned: 6:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted
Cara Moore