



# S.S. Palmer~Parkside P.T.O.

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## May 8, 2017 Meeting Minutes

**Call meeting to order:** Michele O'Neill @ 7:06pm

**In attendance:** President: Michele O'Neill; Vice-President: Larissa Kimmel; Secretary: Anne Cronk; Treasurer: Melissa Hager; Principal: Mary Brumbach-; 22 members

**Minutes from April Meeting:** Anne Cronk -Motion made to accept April Minutes made by Tiff McCauley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steph Meixsell.

**Treasurer's Report:** Melissa Hager - Comparing to last year at this point-we have less but again spent more at Christmas for gifts. We have to pay for 3 Field trips plus the Bus bill. Receipts from Santa and Dance still need. Any Country Harvest etc, any outstanding please get them in ASAP. Taxes will be worked on this summer. Will be looking at Playground Acct and getting items needed and then close. CD due in July. What do we want to do? Motion made to let CD as is made by: Jenn Sommers, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tiff Brown 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed. Motion to accept Treasurers report made by Michele Gordon, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jenn Sommers.

**Election of 2017-2018 Officers:** Sue Novak- Have nominees,  
President: Michele O'Neill; VP: Tiff Lakatosh, Jenn Sommers, Michelle Gordon; Secretary: Anne Cronk; Treasurer: Melissa Hager. The 3 Nominees for VP were asked to introduce themselves and reason why they would be a great VP. A write-in vote is also accepted.

### Old Business / Committee Reports

- a. Teacher Appreciation Luncheon: MaryJo King/Sue Novak: Last Monday, overall success, lot of food, bit of extra money so we got each school a \$50 gift-card for JoeyBs for teachers. Mrs. Creed won at Parkside. A raffle with Scholastic bag of goodies and a P Mug from Christmas filled with candy as well.
- b. Book Fair: Jennifer Sommers open for 4 hours... \$1493 and change in sales. BOGO so no benefit to us, it's to the families getting extra. Thank you for all the help.

### New /Upcoming Business

- a. Mother's Day Plant Sale – **May 10/11**: Magin Gursky: Flyers went home- this week Wed. Parkside & Palmer, Thurs Palmer. Envirothon on Wed- those kids can come on Thurs. Plants coming tomorrow. Sign up to help- or just come out- don't need to sign-up. Make sure to sign in at the office before you come to the sale. They need to know who is in building. Plant sale will be in the Gym- in the hall. Parkside will be at normal location by computer lab. Tiff is chairing Parkside. All plants are \$1.50 We have a lot of boxes- thank you! Shouldn't have a problem this year.
- b. Play Day/Field Days: Sue Novak - For those who are planning on attending- we did send a flyer home- whether you are helping or not- Mr. Heller sent an email to those who signed up. Anyone who is willing to help K-3 please come out. HS kids are helping for 4-6.  
K & 1<sup>st</sup> – **May 16** (rain-May 18 )  
2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> – **May 17** (rain-May 22 )  
4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> – **May 19** (rain-May 26 )
- c. Farewell Dance – **May 12**: Amy Carrelli/Steph White - Our free evening dance- all food is free. A lot of food is needed. Chaperones are needed! A signup genius is available - check FB. DJ contract for 2017-2018. We don't have dates set yet. 4 dances - \$950. Went up \$100 total (25/dance) not bad considering he knows the kids, he knows the rules. Motion Michele Gordon to approve the \$950, Tara Porter 2<sup>nd</sup> All in favor. Motion passed.
- d. Community Festival: Sept. 8, 9, 10: Michele O'Neill - we are required to sell 25 tickets \$5 each. We have to pay for them so please see Melissa tonight or contact later. We sold winning last year! If we need to make any updates or etc. for stand improvements. This is only for the Stand-up-keep. Motion made to approve up to \$500 for stand repairs. . Kristy Gable, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jen Sommers, All in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

- e. Fun Run- Tiff Lakatos- This year we are looking at a budget of \$900 in case we are running into an issue that if it's raining we can cover bounce house. If we don't need it we won't use it. Only as a just in case. Would rather have the budget than not enough. Motion made by Tara Spiker, Michele Gordon 2<sup>nd</sup>. No One opposed, Motion passed.
- f. Fundraisers:
  - i. Box Tops/Labels for Education: Wendi Bartholomew \$200 deposit made. We don't know what is happening yet for classrooms party etc. Few years ago we had a \$3000 check- so it would be great if we can increase this! Many items don't have them anymore either.
  - ii. Ink Cartridges/Staples Rewards: Wendi Bartholomew: Staples we are getting them in every month. We get \$20/month to buy items. Get us list of items we need for Fall

**President Report:** Michele O'Neill - Garden cleanup day hope to plan soon. Especially at Palmer. Not mulching yet- more weeding etc. Watch for emails. Plant Sale extras will go to outside planting. Will get to Michele for care after sale. Playground account will get closed out. New swings are requested, if we can get them with what we have- we will push to Fall if we need. This is not the new swing-set PTO put up. It's the original wood one that may need replacing. **A Big THANK You** to our 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents, they spent way beyond just 7 years. They have chaired many events, worked every event, Even if not in sight they have done so much. Want to mention a few Heather Messinger- sat here for every meeting quietly- she has been at almost all events. She is one of our biggest helpers- we will miss you. Larrissa Kimmel- huge help- as an officer- Fun Run, Bingos. Thank you for everything you have done.

**Principal's Report:** Mrs. Brumbach - Not much other than to thank out-going. For the tremendous job we have done. Art Show is put off May 24 because of work on AC unit. The secret construction update is we are getting AC\_ but what was not known- in order to put in AC they rip out, old units they are putting in new shelves, sinks, water fountains. This building built in 1924 is ancient. And the custodians have it sparkling for 1<sup>st</sup> day every year. But it has a lot of character. She was excited and had to tell teachers before us- so we had to wait. Have promised AC for Fall 2017. It is a mess here at night while they working on building- and it's amazing that the next day it is cleaned up! This school year is never going to end. June 21 is last day, June 20/21 are half days. It may be really long- so glad because we need every second. PSSA's will be finished tomorrow with make-ups. Being broken up made it unusual. So frustrating as a principal that we expect our kids to perform to these standards- they are struggling and to expect them to come in and perform - the last 2 weeks have been difficult as administration, to see the kids struggling. It is very difficult on these kids. Any questions please ask away- she is here to listen to you!

**Election of Officer Results:** Current officers re-elected and our new VP is Michele Gordon . Congrats!

**Member Question & Comments:** Raffle and we will acknowledge our staff after meeting.

**Call to Adjourn @ 7: 49.** Motion made by Kristy Gable. & 2<sup>nd</sup> by Magin Gursky.

*Thank you and Best Wishes to Faculty & Staff retiring:*

*Mrs. Way,*

*Mr. Amorim*

*Mr. Heiney*

*We will miss you!!*

**Good luck to all our 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Students &  
Thank you to our Awesome Members who gave some much time to PTO!  
Have a wonderful Summer!!**