

## SSPO Meeting Minutes - Friday, October, 2 2015

Welcome!

Meeting was called to order at 12:02pm by Shannon Szyperski

- Officer Introductions
  - Introductions of all in attendance
- Approval of Meeting Minutes
  - Motion to approve minutes was made by Ann Francis, seconded by Tomlyn Chambers, all positive votes, motion approved, minutes approved.
- Treasurer's Report
  - Very few expenses thus far
  - Noted: SSPO is solely funded by the parent club dues. Please give the invoice to your school and have them pay.
  - Highland and McCord had the most representatives at the mixer and will get ½ off their dues for this year.

TOPIC: District Update & New District Initiatives • Scott Nelson, Superintendent

- District update: Thanks to everyone. It has been a “quiet” year so far, with fewer calls overall, which is a testament to the system and everyone that works for it. Very positive start.
- One of the district initiatives this year is to update the districts values, mission, and vision. It has been 12 years since these were updated.
- The Sylvania Schools Strategic Planning Initiative 2015 Committee is working on this. The committee includes: Kasey Vens (Asst. Principal, NV), Joe Shamy (Food Services), Steven Rothschild (Board of Education), Nancy Crandall (Communications Director), Adam Fineske (Teaching and Learning Exec. Dir.), Keith Limes (HR), Sheryl O'Shea (IT), Jane Spurgeon (Asst. Superintendent), Laura Sauber (Treasurer), and Scott Nelson (Superintendent)
- The committee also intends to go to all the groups that have a stake in the district for input including teachers, support staff, high school student leaders, administration, SSPO, key communicators and the Board of Education.
- A goal deadline is October 31, 2015

Values: Why do we do what we do?

Mission: The purpose for doing what we do.

The committee began by identifying the values that they felt were important, then will move on to the mission and then finally establish a vision, which would include strategic initiatives and goals for the district.

Some ideas they are considering include the need to stand out among other districts, looking into an International Baccalaureate program, computers for every child, possible redistricting, and looking at retention rates (8% not graduating).

If there is any additional input – please send any thoughts to Shannon Szyperski and she can pass them along ASAP. The Oct 31 deadline is looming.

## SSPO Business

- Sylvania Schools Remixed! Parent Mixer Review
- Thank you to the officers who organized the event and to all who came and made the event a success.
- New SSPO Initiatives Discussion
- There is a desire to be more of a resource for the community.
  - How can we do this?
    - Put all leaders in touch with one another so they can connect in a different way – example, all the box top coordinators, yearbook etc.
    - Have each school bring a list of leaders
    - Have the leaders meet monthly or quarterly
    - Take time each meeting to brief about each school
    - Have a general Google Doc with all the information
    - Webcast/podcast/live streaming of these meetings for those who can't be here.

## Open Forum

- ○ Chris Thomas, NWOPE (Northwest Ohio Friends of Public Education)
- ○ There will be a summit meeting regarding public education on Saturday October 17 to discuss public education. They welcome any input. Flyer attached.
- ○ Attendees are welcome to ask questions, address concerns and propose new ideas.

## Next SSPO Meeting

Friday, November 6, 2015 at Noon

## 2015-2016 Meeting Calendar

November 6th - Special Areas (Phys. Ed., Art, Music, etc.)

December 4th - Targeted Curriculum (ESL, Gifted & Talented, etc.)

January 15th - Standardized Testing Update

February - Evening Forum (Topic TBD)

March 4th - Financial Update

April 8th - SCAT, Bill Geha

May 6th - Year In Review, Officer Elections

June - Officer Planning Meeting for 2016-2017 School Year (Date TBD)

Meetings are held at the Bradley J. Rieger Administration Building (4747 Holland-Sylvania Road).