



***Sharon Center School PTO
Meeting Minutes***

Draft to be approved at next regular meeting

Meeting Date: March 5, 2026

Call to order: at 6:03PM with the following persons in attendance via Zoom: Karen Rios (President), Meghan Kenny (Treasurer), Lisa Pedersen (Secretary), Nikki Blass, Carol Tomkalski (Principal), Heather Socci, Meghan Flanagan, and Pam Jarvis (BOE)

Approval of Minutes:

Treasurer's Report: The current balance is \$3,722. A check in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the ski trip has not yet cleared.

Principal's Report:

- The fifth draft of the proposed budget will be presented at the next BOE meeting. If approved by the board, the budget will move on to the Town.
- The February Coffee and... sessions were only mildly attended.
- There is a half day of school on 3/11 for professional development.
- Student led conferences are scheduled for 3/25 and 3/26.

Board of Education Report:

- The next BOE meeting is Monday, 3/9 at 6:00 PM. All are encouraged to attend either in person or via Google Meet link found on the website.

Old Business:

- Chocolate sales delivery is scheduled for 3/13. Total amount raised is unknown at this time. The highest seller is also unknown, but will be awarded a prize once determined.
- Bingo Night
 - 10 tables will be set up in anticipation of walk-in participants
 - Nikki Blass and Meghan Kenny both have bingo sets that can be used.
 - Support from local businesses has been good. Prizes are in varying amounts; higher valued prizes will be awarded based on game difficulty.
 - 7th Grade class will be selling snacks and Justine Smith will bring ice cream for sale. Meghan Flanagan volunteered to run to BJ's for supplies.
 - Carol Tomkalski will speak about the cost of the Washington DC trip and the opportunity it brings to students.
 - Karen Rios is testing ways to get info for tax receipts for straight donations.
- Ski Trip
 - Previously planned dates have fallen through due to weather or conflicts with other rescheduled events. Carol Tomkalski is hopeful a date in the next week or two will work.
 - If the trip cannot happen this season, the funds will be allocated to assist next year's Ski Club.

New Business:

- PTO will sponsor a dinner for all teachers and staff staying late for conferences on 3/26. Carol Tomkalski will order food to be paid for by PTO. Nikki volunteered to help clean up.
- Field Day T-Shirt design contest
 - Meghan Kenny is getting pricing from T-Shirt Farm in Millerton. Pricing will be for non-white shirts.
 - Potential for design competition to begin over Spring Break.
- Nikki Blass is resigning her position as Co-Secretary to focus on other obligations. We thank her for her many years of dedicated service, and wish her all the best as she transitions to being a high school parent.

Meeting adjourned at 6:31 PM

The next meeting will be Thursday, April 2nd at 6:00 PM. A link for virtual access will be sent to all parents prior to the meeting.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Pedersen