

# South Middle School PTO

Date | time 9/18/2018 7:00 PM | Location South Middle School

President	Kerry Moschella	Attendees [Attendees]
President	Lisa O'Connor	7:00-8:00 pm
Vice President	Effie Glozheni	Please bring [Please bring]
Secretary	Nicole Kirwan	
Treasurer	Cheryl Curtis	

## Agenda Items

Topic	Presenter	Time allotted
<input type="checkbox"/> Welcome	Lisa / Kerry	6:30
<input type="checkbox"/> Introductions	Team	
<input type="checkbox"/> PTO Mission	Lisa / Kerry	
<input type="checkbox"/> Treasurers Report	Cheryl	5 min.
<input type="checkbox"/> Updates	Lisa/Kerry	5 min
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Meeting with faculty and staff 9/10		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising	Lisa/Kerry	20 min
Stop and Shop cards		
Bake Sale		
Annual Voluntary contributions (formerly dues)		
"What the heck, write a check"		
Other Ideas		
<input type="checkbox"/> Open to questions, comments, suggestions	Attendees	20 min

## Other Information

### Meeting Minutes

#### Mr. Rainine – Principal Notes:

- 704 total population
- Back to School Night is Thursday
  - 6:30-7:30 for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade
  - 5:45 & 6:45 for 6<sup>th</sup> grade presentations in the Auditorium – after you can walk around the building

- Aspen – Online grading system letters coming out this week/early next week with information about family portal and student sign in – look for 2 letters. Kathy Lydon can help with any issues
- Check website for calendar updates
  - Wednesday before thanksgiving is a half day
  - Friday before Memorial Day and Christmas holiday are also half days
- Friday of opening week was security training day for all staff and faculty
- New emails are now [firstname.lastname@braintreeschools.org](mailto:firstname.lastname@braintreeschools.org)
  - If you are not hearing back from teachers do to forwarding issues, feel free to call
- New floor in the café was the big summer project (looks great!!!) along with fresh paint, oh yeah, and the roof! 😊 Project is continuing with flashing work – nearly done. Gym floor will need another coating as soon as the company is available and roof is done. Gym will officially open for full use when floor is complete. Lastly South Middles School renovations meetings are underway.

Mission Statement: To build a community of Parents, Teachers, Staff and Students focused on supporting the educational needs of our community members through communication, collaboration and community action.

Treasurer Report: \$3364.97 No new items to report

Efforts to be a 501c3: Process is underway. Parent who is a lawyer is doing the paperwork. More updates in future meetings.

Stop and Shop cards: Must be entered by the parents on their own. (We can no longer do this on a families behalf). Program runs October – March. Create an account / email and log in to have people register. You do not need to re-register each year. **Come up with a promotion plan. On a monthly basis we can get a monthly figure. A check is mailed out to the treasurer. Use the month amounts to keep people updated.**

Other “Silent” Supporters or South directly with the possibility of transferring to PTO once 501c3 is complete:

There is a link to support South (not PTO) on to support the Media Center and other school departments.

Textile Bins and book bin support the school directly.

Benefit Mobile App information will be forthcoming to help support South directly.

Good Shop , gumdrop are other online buying options.

Faculty meeting update: Pizza, water and the message were all well received!

Fundraising ideas:

We don't want to do a lot of separate fundraisers. Instead possibly a few larger events than seen in the elementary school level.

Major initiative will be to support the teachers. Happy teachers make happy students.

“What the heck, write a check” / Shameless Fundraiser possible options.

Funding subjective, we will try and make Teacher Appreciation Day a whole week.

We have done away with “Dues” as part of the PTO initiative. We will be looking for other ways to raise money.

Table will be set up for open house.

Election Day Bake Sale (11/6):

we are looking for a chairperson to run the bake sale this year. Request donations to be dropped off the day before or day of bake sale; packaged and labelled (if nuts). Request for volunteers (2 people per slot) in 2 hours slots 7 am to 8pm. **Nothing has been priced in the past. Request donations.** Can also request donations from Shaws and Dunkin Donuts (though will we be competing with other schools?)

**By next PTO meeting, secure a chairperson and communication and signup plan. Include kids and parents/grandparents in the process. Also look to the kids to help volunteer with parents.**

**? about targeted fundraisers (similar to the technology fund at Highlands) South is in need of projectors. Principal Rainie is looking at what areas of need are.**

Braintree youth Soccer is playing at south. Suggestion was made and we are moving forward with setting up a table to sell snacks. Coverage has been set for 9/22. We will assess on a week to week basis and weather permitting. Donations can be left at the school office.

Proposed Schedule for Future PTO dates:

- Tuesday 9/18                      Tuesday 2/5
- Thursday 10/18                  Thursday 3/12
- Tuesday 11/13                    Tuesday 4/9
- Tuesday 1/8                        Thursday 5/16