Sussex Tech PTA Minutes May 1, 2023

Tara Oras called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. She then read the Mission of the Association.

The minutes from the April 3, 2023, meeting were accepted as record.

Laura read correspondence from Diane DeGroat. Diane announced that she would be running from the floor at tonight's meeting for the Vice President's position.

There was no Treasurer's report this month.

Tara reminded board members that their required training was to be completed by April 21 and to please send verification of completed training to Laura Komnath.

We currently have 82 paid members.

PG 2023 – They have a few checks from recently finished fundraisers to deposit. They have booked the Sussex County YMCA as their venue and CeCe Productions as their entertainment company. They have a senior t-shirt fundraiser going on now and a lawn sign fundraiser should be starting very shortly.

PG 2024 – Their FlipGive and ink cartridge fundraisers are ongoing. They are running a Mother's Day flower fundraiser with Ideal Farms.

PG 2025 – Their FlipGive and car magnet fundraisers are ongoing. They had a very successful Tupperware fundraiser. They have a Wendy's dine to donate on May 16. A Miner's fundraiser on July 22 which is Star Wars night. Their tricky tray is July 28. Fundraisers that they have set up for next school year are: Sockathon from October-December, Jersey Mike's November 3, Plentiful Kitchen cheesecake jars in January, and Anthony Franco's pizza February 15.

PG 2026 – They had a Jersey Mike's fundraiser in April. They have a cheesecake jar fundraiser going on now. In June they will be holding a popcorn fundraiser.

The PTA is still looking for donations for our upcoming concessions weekends which are May 5-7 and June 2-4.

The Teacher's Appreciation lunch will be held on Wednesday May, 10. Tara and Laura will pick up the lunches from Pizza One and deliver during lunch periods to Tech.

Senior Scholarship applications were due April 17. We have received 10 applications. Jenny has the copies and will hand them out to the Scholarship Committee and the end of the meeting.

PayPal no longer uses our old swiper for credit card purchases. We need to purchase a new one. The new swiper and accessories will cost approximately \$80. Everyone agreed that it is a necessary purchase. Tara will order this.

Tara announced that it was time to hold elections for the 2023/2024 school year. Diane DeGroat stated that she had a speech to read. When Diane finished, Becky Pascale asked if Donna Linzalone could make a speech via phone since she was out to the state and did not realize her seat was being contested. Becky ended up speaking for Donna since that was easier. Paper ballots were handed out to everyone in attendance. Jenny Deery collected the ballots and counted the votes. Tara Oras read the results. The PTA Executive Board Members for the 2023/2024 school year are: Tara Oras – President, Diane DeGroat – Vice President, Jenny Deery – Treasurer, and Alicia Sandage – Secretary.

Our next meeting is June 5, 2023, at 7 pm in the school library.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm.

PTA Board members in attendance: Tara Oras – President, Jenny Deery – Treasurer, Laura Komnath – Secretary.

Others in attendance: Stephane McKay, Alicia Sandage, Sue Dykstra, Diane DeGroat, Amy Griffin, James Griffin, Thomas Paterson, Betty Houghtaling, Renee Hennings, Becky Pascale, Heather Ostendorff, Mary Boutillette, Carolee Murphy, Beth Ficacci-Kretzmer, Michelle Nardini