

# *Skyline Support Association Minutes*

November 13, 2014

Attendees: See Sign In Sheet

## **Call to Order and Opening Remarks**

- Debbie Hermansader brought the meeting to order at 7:08pm

## **Principal's Report**

- REFERENDUM: It is critical that the Referendum in February gets approved. This is an Operations Referendum which covers salaries, the operating budget of RCCSD, technology, etc. Ms. Shamburger and Mr. Pollock are Skyline's representatives. Skyline will have events during the school day and after school to get parents into the building to vote. Voting is from 11am-8pm. Staff/Student Basketball game will be held that evening. Chorus/Band will have activities that day.
- District Grading Committee - met last week. Ms. Huffman and Mrs. Parisi are the Skyline reps.
- Choice is open until January 14<sup>th</sup>. If your child is a current Skyline student, they are grandfathered in to remain at Skyline but you will need to COMPLETE a CHOICE APPLICATION if your feeder pattern is changing. IMPORTANT: If your child is grandfathered and you decide to choice and remain at Skyline, BUS TRANSPORTATION WILL STILL BE PROVIDED FOR YOUR CHILD.
- Skyline Healthy Living Week - Dr. Rattay will be giving a talk to 7<sup>th</sup> graders on Physical, Mental and Social Health topics
- Inclusion questions; check out the link [www.edline.net/pages/RCSkyline](http://www.edline.net/pages/RCSkyline)
- Homework Club is going strong. Have been having 50-60 students per session. Held on Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Snacks are provided for all after-school activities and sports
- Tonight (11/13/14) is the Geography Bee finals - 8 boys and 1 girl participating. Thank you to the Social Studies Dept.
- Plan on having more parent night activities like the Geography Bee
- Cancer Dress Down Day raised \$2000 - going to AI DuPont Children's Hospital
- Skyline Choice Open House is 12/10 from 6-8 pm.
- Lockdown drill was held on 10/27
- IB program at Dickinson will be offered for 6-8 grade

## **Special Guests**

- Sarah Trotta, therapist from ContactLifeline Inc. spoke to us regarding non-suicidal self-harm. Very informative presentation. Effects both girls and boys, although in different ways. Non Suicidal Self Harm is a way of coping with anger, depression and many confusing emotions facing adolescents. Most common form is cutting or burning oneself, but can also include hitting, biting, punching walls, pinching, etc to induce pain. Much more prevalent than we realize. Social media may be a cause of the rise in cases. Several cases at Skyline. Ms. Trotta spoke last year and this year to all of our health classes. Thank you to Ms. Root for arranging Ms. Trotta's visit.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Barbara Hewlett, Treasurer, reviewed the cash flow and account balances as of 11/13/14.
- Reports were approved . Motion to approve: Deb Hermansader, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jen Furman

### **Committee Activity Updates**

#### Book Fair

- Plans for Book Fair underway. Book Fair will run Dec 11-18<sup>th</sup>. May need additional volunteers to help during the day and on parent nights.

#### Dances

- all dances went very well. Next 6<sup>th</sup> grade dance will be held in February.

#### Family Activities

- Staff/Student Basketball game will be held the night of the Referendum vote, Tues, Feb 24. Pizza will be available by pre-order. Chorus and Band may perform.

#### Fundraising

- Tomorrow is the Fundraiser Party. Mr. Miller, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Lyons and Mr. R. were voted to be the whipped cream victims.
- Nov 21 is the limo/lunch celebration and dress down day
- revamping for next year - will meet in the next few months to brainstorm

#### Newsletter

- District not supporting mailers over 5 pages
- Ms. Dorrell will put up the newsletter on the website

#### Product Incentives

- Campbells is merchandise only so we will not persue
- Suggested having a Box Tops contest - homeroom with most will win a party
- Trying to connect Ms. Richardson with Carol Moore in December

#### Spirit Week

- the new Jaguar Pride sweatpants will be available soon. \$20 each. Order forms on website or in main office. Black with blue writing or gray with black writing. Will have elastic band leg.

#### Staff Appreciation

- next luncheon is December 11<sup>th</sup>. Appleton Catering is donating the luncheon - pasta bar, salad and dessert. Huge thanks to the Wootten family of Appleton Catering.

### **No New Business or Old Business to report.**

#### **Announcements/Reminders**

- No School Nov 26-28, Dec 24-Jan 2, Jan 16 and Jan 19
- Early Dismissal at 11:30: Dec 11, 12 and 23.
- School Choice is OPEN until JAN 14.
- Minutes will be posted on Skyline's website. Contact the SSA at [skylinessa@yahoo.com](mailto:skylinessa@yahoo.com)

**Next meeting will be Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 7 pm in the library. Mr. Lyons will be our guest speaker on bullying. Hope to see you there!**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 pm by Debbie Hermansader.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbra Creswell ~ Skyline Support Association Co-President