

**South Lyon East High School
PTSO Minutes
Tuesday October 9, 2007
6:30 - 7:40 pm**

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1. Call to Order

Mr. Jackson called the meeting to order at 6:27pm

He was pleased to announce that all parents who had made their email available to the school were sent a personal invite to attend the PTSO meeting. A copy of the meeting's agenda was also sent.

2. Introductions

Mr. Jackson welcomed the 17 parents present and also gave a special welcome to Mr. Pearson and three teachers .

The officers also introduced themselves.

3. Goal of the PTSO

Mr. Domanico said the goal was to be sure the students at SLEHS were given a quality education and for the PTSO to support the school, teachers and students at all times. Mr. Jackson noted that for him it was important that the parents were involved with the school and their students and teachers.

a. Cougar Hour

Cougar Hour has been very successful. The teachers and students alike have found it to be very helpful! Mr. Jackson stressed that Cougar Hour is for extra help and not for completing Homework! Students can identify what areas they need help in but Teachers can also initiate which class the student needs extra help in.

b. Suggestions to bring in new PTSO members

A school wide email was started.

Shelly Gagnon wrote a letter to the Editor of the Herald to invite parents to join us at our PTSO meetings and share ideas.

3. SIP Report

SIP stands for Shared Involvement Process.

There are 2 parents , 2 teachers and 2 student reps. The SIP committee is responsible for decisions made affecting SLEHS.

Laura Hogan and Debbie Jedniak are the parent reps on the SIP committee. Any parents needing to present a problem/question to the SIP committee should contact them.

SIP discussed the following items at their meeting

- Homecoming
- Student Driver Education
- Cougar Hour
- National honors Society
- Academic Letter Dinner

Next SIP meeting 17th October 2007 at 2:30pm

4. Homecoming

SLEHS Parade will take place at 4:30pm on Friday the 19th October in the sub of Woodward Glen (just off 10 mile west of the school entrance). The name of the road is Rosemont Street.

Participants will meet at 4:00pm at the first road to the right - Heatherwood Drive - as you enter the

Woodward Glen sub.

The parade will march through the sub ending at Brentwood Drive and Brompton Way at 5:00pm.
Please park at Hardy to watch the parade!

Some of the participants are:

- various SLEHS sports teams and clubs
- SLEHS Band
- Fire Department
- Sheriff
- Panther Footballers and cheerleaders
- 4 convertibles with the KING, Queen, Prince and Princess!

Students will march with banners and not floats. The banners will be at the Pep Rally and then will be hung in the commons for the rest of the school year.

Laurie Boggs (Teacher-in-charge) will be sending out an informational sheet with all instructions within the next week.

Shelly Gagnon addressed the “rumors” that our parade was not allowed to be held in down town South Lyon. That is not the case. Mr. Jackson said the decision was taken by the school as we want our own identity and traditions and do not want to follow in SLHS footsteps.

PLEASE all come to our FIRST Parade!!!!

5. School Store

Spirit wear has been ordered for the Parent/Teacher conference on the 23rd October.

Cheers will organize volunteers to sell Spirit wear.

The school store will open once a week initially. All profits from the school store will go to the PTSO!!
We are hoping to have some Spirit wear in time for Spirit week which is October 15th

6. Dedication Ceremony

This will take place in our beautiful auditorium on Saturday, 10th November 2007 at 10am.

The key note speaker will be Senator Debbie Stabinaw.

This will be advertised on the SL schools website and in the Herald.

After the ceremony some students will be on hand to give our visitors a guided tour of our new school

7. Challenge Day

An outside group will run Challenge Day. This was run last year with great success at SLHS. It has been shown to promote a positive change in the schools where it has been run.

Ms. Rossen is in need of many parent volunteers to take part. Please let her know if you are willing to help out.

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Mr. Domanico complimented Ms. Rossen on her Newsletter.

8. Academic Letter Award-

This will take place on Sunday, October 28th, 2007.

The recipients family are invited to attend as well as one staff member of the SL school district that have impacted them the most.

The speaker will be Holan Finkey, editor of The Detroit News
80 sophomore students were sent invitations this year.

9. Mentors

Mr. Jackson is still looking for any parents that can help tutor students in Math and Science.

Parents will have guide lines/help from teachers.

10. Family Fun Night

The PTSO would like to start a tradition of holding a Family Fun Night every year at SLEHS. The gym, pool etc would be open to families of SLEHS students only. There will be various activities and food items as well.

PTSO will be conducting a survey to see the interest level before a date is set.

11. Additions to Agenda

- a. Is there some way of making sure Boosters club meetings and school activities do not clash? Choir Boosters meet the same night as PTSO and the Football banquet is the same night as the school play. Mr. Jackson will look into this.
- b. Varsity jackets must be standard. The lettering on the back must say "South Lyon East".
- c. Speed bumps are being changed as they are very 'severe' at the moment.

12 Items for next meeting

There were no items discussed for the next meeting

Adjourned at 7:40 pm