



## Mothers' Club of Grosse Pointe South General Membership Meeting Minutes

OCTOBER 9, 2019

- **WELCOME / CALL TO ORDER**  
The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by Helen Srebernak  
**Present:** Helen Srebernak, Wendy Bruetsch, Kristen Ifkovits, Jen Bingaman, Amy VanOsdol, Beverly Bennert, Simone Clayton, Mary Montgomery, Karen Yoo, Celia Wade, Paula Draper, Karen Houting, Michelle Conlan, Michele Hodges, Renee Palazzalo, Pamela Mozham, Renee Borowicz, Lora Greer
- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**  
The minutes from May 22, 2019 and September 11, 2019 were submitted, reviewed and approved. Jen Bingaman and Wendy Bruetsch motioned to approve.
- **TREASURER'S REPORT** given by Kristen Ifkovits  
The August 2019 Treasury report was approved with the review of the JP Morgan and UBS Financial account balances. Beverly Bennert motioned to approve.  
The September 2019 Treasury Report was reviewed and approved except for the UBS and JPMorgan balances remaining unconfirmed. Two \$95 charges are still being researched. Wendy Bruetsch motioned to approve.  
The July 2019, August 2019 and September 2019 South School Store Reports were presented, discussed and approved. Michele Hodges, Amy VanOsdol and Beverly Bennert motioned to approve.
- **OFFICERS' REPORTS**
  - President - Helen Srebernak Comments stated throughout the meeting.
  - Past President - Wendy Bruetsch  
Homecoming (September 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>) was a success. There was a lot of positive feedback on new changes implemented to the Homecoming dance: a bonfire, new DJ, exit time and a photobooth. Over 900 students attended the dance.
  - President Elect - Marica Ostrowski  
Not present. Helen stated that the South School Store was open during Back to School night on September 12. Sales were approximately \$1,000.
  - VP Preservation - Jennifer Bingaman  
The South school engineers hung items in Cleminson Hall. Jen is in the process of setting up a volunteer work date to tidy up and organize Cleminson Hall.
  - VP Scholarship - Beverly Bennert

Beverly is reviewing and updating the scholarship application form.  
Scholarship night is scheduled for May 7, 2020.

- VP Enrichment - Amy Van Osdol  
Amy stated that some enrichment applications have been received. The applications are due October 15, 2019.
- Recording Secretary – Susie Gavagan will now hold this position. There is no report as she is not present.
- Corresponding Secretary - Mary Montgomery  
Mary is recording the minutes for the Recording Secretary.
- Assistant Treasurer - Laura Wysocki  
Kristen Ifkovits, Treasurer, presented the School Store financials at the meeting.
- CLASS SPONSOR REPORTS  
Senior Class - no comment.  
Junior Class - Beverly Bennert stated that the Jukebox Junior float won first place.  
Sophomore Class – Karen Houting stated that the moving bull float was fabulous.  
Freshmen Class – no comment
- ADVISORY BOARD REPORTS
  - All Night Party/Graduation - Paige George/Laura Wholihan  
No report
  - Alumni Representative - Julie Schuetze No report
  - Art Representative/Fest -Paula Draper/Emily Wolfe  
The event is scheduled for March 25-28 with the awards night on March 27.  
There will be a request via the Enrichment fund for items needed for Artfest.  
Michele Lynch, former chair, is advising.
  - Athletic Boosters Representative - Susie Sine No report
  - Band / Orchestra Representative - Stacey Chen/Jill Chown  
Pops/Pastries is November 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  - Board of Education Representative - Susie Gavagan /Michele Hodges  
Enrollment is up 35 students in the elementary schools and down 125 in the secondary schools for the district. The election is November 5<sup>th</sup> and 25% of the school budget is at stake. October 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> are the next 2 school Board meetings.
  - Choir Representative - Michelle Conlan  
There is a garage sale fundraiser October 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. On November 10<sup>th</sup> there is a coffee at Whiskey Six. On November 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> Pointe Players are performing “The Games of Foot”.
  - Cleminson Hall Decorations - Karen Yoo/ Laura Wysocki /Helen Srebernak  
The week of November 25 is set for holiday decorating in Cleminson Hall.

- College/Trade Night - Gail Miciuda/Torrey Stackpoole  
Dates for the events are unconfirmed.
  - Community Partnership- Rebecca Fannon/ Juli Rybicki /Cydni Schutter  
Solicitation letter were mailed this month to generate community partners.
  - Date with Devil - Jaime Rae Turnbull  
The event is a Battle of the Bands theme.
  - Development - Julie Schuetze No report
  - Directory - Tricia Bower/Anne LeFevre/Emily Scupholm In progress.
  - Faculty Events - Helen Srebernak/Andrea Brien/Sabine Iafrate  
On October 16th (conferences) there is a faculty dinner.
  - Gardeners - Jo Fox/ Anne Vanker /Biz Williamson  
The gardening efforts in front of the school are in progress.
  - High Pointes - Kim Clextan/ Kristin Mallegg  
The second edition is in progress.
  - Holiday Tea - Mindy Barry/Laura Green/Anne Grobel  
Freshmen parents traditionally volunteer by supplying baked goods for this event which is held at GP North.
  - Holiday Walk - Helen Srebernak will chair this event which is scheduled for December 8<sup>th</sup> with 5-6 houses on the tour. The event is 12-4pm. Six vendors will showcase their goods for sale via rented tables in Cleminson Hall.
  - Homecoming - Renee Borowicz/Renee Palazzolo  
Homecoming is complete for this school year and was a successful event.
  - Hospitality - Karen Houting No report
  - Mailing - Andrea Brien/ Nicole Kuhnlein/Emily Scupholm No report
  - Membership - Elizabeth Cleland/Colleen Jogan  
No Report
  - PTO Council – No report
  - Publicity - Melissa Smith No report
  - School Store - Amy Reno is the new manager for the School Store. New tiles are now for sale in the store - \$30 each.
  - Spring Benefit Chairs – vacant position. This event is scheduled for Sunday, March 29, 2020.
  - Volunteers - Wendy Bruetsch  
Helen Srebernak needs a list of volunteers for the Holiday Walk.
  - Website - Rachel Huber  
MothersClubGPS.com. Please check out the website as changes have been made. Please contact Rachel with any requests for website content.
- OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS
    - Oct 16&17 - Evening High School conferences.
    - Oct 18 - North vs South Tailgate
    - Oct 20 - GPPSS Open House
    - Nov 5 - Election Day no school
    - Nov 13 - Mothers' Club General Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59 pm.