

Sheridan APT Minutes and Committee Reports
January 19, 2022

Present (via remote): Elizabeth Case, Michelle Naffziger-Hir Jennifer Adams, Kristen Chun, Laura Dauer, Noel Dolan, Heidi Clifton, Susana Dechamps, Phoebe DePree, Kristen Livesay, Lauren Himmel, Lizzy Jaworski, Margaret Seymour, Susan Milsk, Marie Woods, Rae Lisenby, Raquel Jackson, Veronica Sterna

Principal Update: Riding out COVID surge, otherwise kids and teachers are doing great in school! Teachers are working extra hard to balance those students who go remote due to COVID. Parent volunteers will be allowed in the classroom for Valentines Day parties.

Teacher Update: Thank you for the January Hot Cocoa bar and December Holiday cookies!

Speaker: Susana Dechamps, Sheridan school psychology intern — Zones of Regulation social-emotional curriculum. Cognitive Behavior approach to self regulation (self control/impulse control) and problem solving skills. See Heidi's email for presentation links.

Committee: Fine Arts

Members: Gretchen Athas, Dina Lamberson, Courtney Loacker

Author Jerry Pallotta is visiting virtually on Thursday, February 3rd! Jerry will first meet with K-2 and then 3-4.

31 Sheridan students ordered books in advance that will be signed by Jerry and sent to Sheridan in time for the students to get the books before the visit! THANK YOU to Margo Newtown for all of her help and coordination!

Committee: Food Service

Members: Molly O'Neil and Lesly Lardino

There has been no feedback on the food menu calendar since our last meeting. Lesley will be updating the winter boards by the cafeteria soon and national nutrition month in March has released the theme of "celebrate a world of flavors" so some food menu ideas will be discussed at the next full committee meeting (likely in Feb) and hopefully will be able to set up some tastings or fun worldly menu items that month.

Committee: Holiday Cookies

Members: Elyse Butler, Kristen Livesay, Lana Raines, Michelle Taubensee, Marie Woods

We had an overwhelming response to our request for cookies. A huge "thank you" to those who baked/shopped/ordered! The cookie boxes were overflowing with beautiful, delicious treats; and were delivered to school the morning of Wed, 12/15. A sweet success.

Committee: Meals for Teachers

Members: Phoebe DePree, Laura Dauer, Jen Adams, Vicky Bozic

Meals for Teachers is gearing up for our next meal March 3. Be on the lookout for a fundraiser and volunteers link we'll blast out in Feb.

Committee: Monster Bash/ Winter Party Committee

Members: Brenda Murray, Lana Raines, Rae Lisenby, Whitley Herbert, Kaylan Kayne, Heather Gaspar, Kim DeNapoli, Kate Stephens, Princia Catarinella, Noel Dolan

Winter Party Committee met this week and the event might be totally different format and move offsite this year, potentially to a roller rink in Mundelein. Site could hold all students/families for the party. Otherwise, on-site at Sheridan students would have to be divided into groups to attend the party at different dates/times. Exploring option and date TBD.

Committee: SEL

Members: Marie Woods and Mary Gould Morehead

The Hot Cocoa Bar welcomed Sheridan staff back to school on Wed, 1/5. Hot cocoa, toppings and treats were set before school at 7:15am so the staff could enjoy all day long. The District SEL Committee has not met yet in the New Year.

Committee: Spirit of 67 Reps

Members: Noel Dolan & Brenda Murray

As of December 28, 2021, Sheridan was 11 families short of meeting the goal of 80% donation participation. Unfortunately we missed out on the extra grant money by not meeting 80% before the end of the calendar year, but there are more opportunities to donate coming up soon! Specifically the silent auction, occurring the week of February 14-17th, which is centered on school/teacher and community experiences. It will cor-

respond to open houses at each of the schools. The open house will host parents in each of the schools in District 67 to showcase spirit award grants that are the favorites in their buildings and the most beneficial to our children. We will keep you updated as we receive more information.

Finally, grant applications to the Spirit of 67 are due on Thursday 1/27 by 3PM.

Committee: Yearbook

Members: Heidi Clifton, Noel Dolan, Katie Wilson

The Yearbook team will be meeting with our rep on January 24th to go over deadlines, page count, meeting the new team to take over for next year and updates on the design format of the book. The book will be compiled between now and April, including all activities and photos that have been taken and/or submitted.

Submitted by: Elyse Butler