

S.O.S.A.C.
Minutes
August 20, 2008

Strengthening Our Schools and Community through Action

- I. Welcome & Celebration
Welcome Chuck Fresbie, in attendance, Tori Wentela, Libby Owens, Sue Outman, Bev Simmons, Kathy Messner
Celebrations; very nice July 4th celebration in Constantine, Constantine Community Fitness Center opened, Meek's Mill Garden Club Tea Party, New families to Constantine, Antique store opened, Walking track done at Eastside (built by ES PTA), SOSAC placemats a hit at the restaurants.
- II. Budget update & how do we want to spend our \$\$ to benefit community??
SOSAC has \$740, budget \$150 for Recognition night, set aside \$300 for supplies next year.
- III. Update on Walnut Trees & other item
Dave Horn and friends of the walnut grove have been cutting, trimming and mowing all summer cleaning up the walnut grove that was planted in the 70's, MSU came in and marked trees that needed care and talked to the group about proper tree management so that some day the trees can be of value to the school.
Dave Horn picked up a town/school combined newspaper this summer; it was shared with the group. Chuck is going to bring information about Mendon's paper that was printed by the Kalamazoo Gazette, as we need to find a way to keep the communication lines open with the whole district.
- IV. Update on Post Prom – Post Prom was well attended; the committee is working on 09 Post Prom and will be selling Chicken at the Harvest Festival on Sept. 13 to raise money.
- V. Booth at Harvest Fest—September 13??? – We will take meeting flyers etc. and have them at the harvest festival, will probably put items with the post prom group.
- VI. Fitness Center Update – Open for two weeks, over 15 members, employees have been trained on the equipment and are CPR, First Aid, AED certified. Over 100 people came to the “Open House” on 4th of July.
- VII. Birthday Cards & Business cards - Tori worked on the cards over the summer, we finished making them and put staff names on the envelopes, Cassie Wentela designed a business card to put in the birthday card with meeting dates on it. Tori will send the cards out from her office and will get the updated birthday & staff list from Julie L., we are not mailing them this year to save \$.
- VIII. Auction & Recognition night updates – Recognition Night, Sept. 5, Homecoming/Parents Night, Sept. 19, Hall of Fame, Oct. 3 & 4, Alumni Dinner, Oct. 5, FAB 4th Annual Dinner/Auction, Oct. 25. This year Dr. M. Vercler and MMPA will be recognized and given plaques on Sept. 5. A tent reception area with food will be set up at the north end of the football field for them and their guests. Committee members are welcome to help that night.
- IX. Other: Bring items to next meeting to update the placemats so a new printing can be done of them, when completed Bev will take them around to our area restaurants. Goal would be to have them completed by Oct. 1.
- X. Future meeting dates: September 17, November 19, January 21, February 18, March 18, and May 20. all meetings will be held at 5:30 in HS media center

- XI. **Next meeting: Wednesday, September 17, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. in the hs media center.**
- XII. Meeting closed at 6:40 p.m. – minutes respectfully submitted by Kathy Messner

Goals of SOSAC

- Falcon Pride newsletter for conferences/Positive communication – In Progress
- Placemats – In Progress
- Birthday Cards – In Progress
- Business/Community relation building/Coffee at Meeks – In Progress
- Post Prom – In Progress
- Recognition Night – In Progress