

DSST: STP Meeting Mins

April 11, 2017

6:30 PM HS Conference Room

- 6:30 Introductions
- 6:45 Discussion on STP
 - Primary need is getting incoming families involved. This is critical to keep STP going.
 - Define STP goals; what do the directors want from STP
 - Fundraising for clubs
 - Community building
 - Need to know scheduling of ALL activities, meetings, etc. for incoming families with time set aside for STP to make a pitch. Is there an April or May meeting for incoming 6th grade families?
 - MS Orientation April 20 & 27 5:30 PM
 - Info sheet, sign-up form, STP cards
 - Spirit wear
 - Veteran parent volunteers to answer questions from new parent
 - STP May Meeting to be promoted as a “fun” event with F&B
 - 6th Grade Summer Camp Potluck – date?
 - STP presence (food or spirit wear table) at school sports events
 - Direct recruitment from directors/advisors (focus group)
 - Conduct an interest inventory to assess MS volunteer base
 - List of MS / HS events from directors
 - Is there any programming for new to DSST families at the high school level? Need same access to those families.
 - New HS student summer school welcome breakfast
 - Need buy in from Dan Sullivan
 - Has non-profit background; committed to helping STP
 - Talk about using STP funds to hire out some clubs/extracurriculars if teachers and parents aren't available
 - Yes, with supervision; needs planning and development
 - Discuss how STP funds are allocated - is buying pizza for an advisory or t-shirts for a team a fair use of funds when other students don't benefit and don't even have access. Clubs are open to all - would try to provide a variety of different activities for different interests.
 - Pizza parties and other advisory activities involve community building
 - Create guidelines - within the bylaws?
 - More skin in the game from advisory/school for things STP supports - they pay for some, STP pays for balance, rather than STP paying for all of it.
 - Idea supported by group
 - Maybe allocate set amount like \$100 per advisory to use on what they want, so that all advisories get equal access, not just the ones who think to ask for the money.
 - Idea supported by group
 - Need to have back up for main STP roles, so that new people get a chance to watch and learn, not be expected to take over a role with no experience
 - Not discussed
 - Discuss proposal for fewer meetings - 2 Director updates, 2 speakers - would like input from directors of topics of interest.
 - Idea supported by group

- Engage more high school students for service projects - hands on help for planning and running events, setting up and maintaining website, also to provide baby-sitting for STP meetings (lots of families with much younger kids with them at conferences and award ceremonies)
 - Idea supported by group; needs further planning and development
 - Babysitters for Marchfest so parents can enjoy a date night
- Change Meeting Time or Day
 - No
- Find people to fill STP roles vacated
 - Direct recruitment from directors/advisors for MS Social Chair 2017/2018
- Jubilee Plans
 - Not discussed

- 7:45 Shopping for Students Update: 8th place @ 69,310; 7th place is 71,510