

Springfield Council of PTAs



SCPTA's School of Information...

Tuesday, May 16, 2017
5:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Parkview High School

We will have a Baked Potato/Salad Bar. Sorry, no childcare available.

Please RSVP to Carrie Windes at crgraphics@sbcglobal.net.

The Springfield Council of PTAs will be hosting our annual officer training on May 16. All who attend will learn more about their PTA duties through informational workshop sessions and interactive discussions with other PTA units. There will be workshops in the following areas: President, Treasurer, Secretary, Bylaws, Advocacy, Membership, Communication, Fundraising, Parliamentary Procedure, Parent Engagement, and Reflections.

This year there will be 3 Sessions of Workshops. Each workshop is 40 minutes in length with the exception of the Presidents' and Treasurers'. The Presidents' workshop will be two consecutive sessions covering a wide range of information—plan to attend both sessions. The Treasurers' workshop is two consecutive sessions and a third optional session for even more information. We will also offer some workshops at two different times—covering the same information—plan to attend only one.

Local council and state officers will be available for any questions you may have. We encourage all units to send your officers as you prepare for the upcoming school year. Thank you to those who have already responded. ***If you have not let Carrie know which workshops you are attending, please do so today!***

IT'S FREE!!!

**School of Information Schedule on
back cover!**

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Letter From the President– Carrie Windes

"Cause a little bit of summer is what the whole year is all about."

~ John Mayer

PTA/PTSA Presidents, Officers and SPS Administrators:

As the school year comes to a close, I want to thank all of you who have represented your units and congratulate you on a job well done. Before you deem the school year over, remember to wrap up your units in a way that will help the new officers when the next school year rolls around. Here are some tips to help make a smooth transition for your officers, so the children are the ultimate beneficiary.

Have all of your officers meet with the new officers as a group and then individually. Discuss the past years' successes and failures and the coming years' objectives.

Personally introduce the new officers to Principals, teachers, community leaders and other PTA contributors.

Have your officers complete their procedure books then pass them on to the new officers. Make sure all passwords and account information changes hands as well.

The treasurer should pay all the bills, settle all accounts, and be sure records are ready for the financial review.

A financial review committee should be appointed and prepare to review the treasurer's books in a timely fashion.

If the PTA bylaws were reviewed or amended make sure to send two copies to the Missouri PTA State office.

Make sure you've sent the names, addresses and other pertinent information to MOPTA too. This needs to be done even if your officers are staying in their positions.

Signatures on the PTA bank accounts should be changed to the new treasurer, secretary, and president if needed. (Remember that all checks should be signed by two people.)

The new officers should be installed, and outgoing or retiring leaders should be thanked for their service.

The most important tip is to attend the SCPTA School of Information or one of the MOPTA training sessions! There are also e-learning courses at ptatraining@pta.org.

PTA/PTSA leaders that take care of these tasks will find it easier to provide exciting and effective activities and programs next year that will engage and serve your members and the children.

As the school year is close to an end, so is my term as your president of SCPTAs. I would like to thank everyone who has served and worked with our PTA/PTSA units these past two years. I'd like to say a special Thank You to the SCPTA Executive Board who made my job much easier. It's been my honor to serve the children of Springfield with all of you. Thank you and have a great summer!

Sincerely,
Carrie Windes, President SCPTA

PTA Mission:

The overall purpose of PTA is to be

A powerful voice for all children

A relevant resource for families and communities, and

A strong advocate for the education and well-being of every child.



Agenda
Wednesday, May 3, 2017
Sherwood Elementary Project Lab

- I) Welcome
- II) Pledge of Allegiance
- III) Superintendent: Dr. Jungmann
- IV) Financial report - Becky Volz, 2017-2018
Proposed Budget Vote
- V) Presentation of the Major Saver checks & Major
Saver Participation checks - Julia Stalder
- VI) Presentation of the Clothing Bank check from
Major Saver - Jennifer Penny, Patty Dunn
- VII) Membership Awards - Carrie Windes
- VIII) New Business - Installation of Officers -
Mary Christiano
- IX) Sergeant Of Arms - Presentation of Attendance
Incentive checks/TV drawing - Heather Buckner
- X) Adjourn



SCPTA
MEMBERSHIP
AWARDS

2016-17 Golden Gavel Awards:

We had 14 PTA/PTSA units who increased their membership this school year. Congratulations and thank you for your efforts! Below are this year's recipients of the Golden Gavel Awards:

Unit with Highest Numerical Increase:
Pleasant View MS PTSA

Unit with Largest % Increase:
Pleasant View MS PTSA

Unit with Highest Total Membership:
Disney PTA

Unit with Highest Membership based upon School Enrollment -

(0-250) Delaware PTA

(251-350) Sequiota PTA

(351-600) Disney PTA

(601-999) Pershing MS PTSA

(1000+) Glendale PTSA



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Treasurer's Report

Account	3/1/2017	3/31/2017
CARE Fund	511.04	411.07
Clothing Bank	8,452.86	8,603.32
General Checking	76,812.07	76,384.35
Gertrude McBride Fund	521.61	321.63
Scholarship Checking	659.35	681.24
Total Unrestricted Funds	86,956.93	86,401.61
Scholarship CD (Restricted)	47,476.00	47,476.00
Total Funds	\$134,432.93	\$133,877.61

Tips for Treasurers

June 30th is the end of our SCPTA fiscal year. So, in the next 4-6 weeks, you should choose your audit team who will review your past years books. Your audit team will fill out the Annual Financial Review form. These reports are required to be sent to MOPTA in order for your unit to be in Good Standing. Once your books are given to the audit team, no checks are to be written or deposits made, so take care of any outstanding business as soon as possible. June is also the month to prepare your Fiscal Year-End Report (annual financial report). Please ask for help if there is anything you don't understand. treasurer@scpta.com



Detailed financial records are available on-line at <http://www.nonprofitcentral.biz>. Use SCPTA as the username and password.

2017 State Convention Reports

Council sponsored the following officers and incoming officers to attend the Missouri PTA Convention Apr 28-30, 2017 in Columbia, MO

Julia Stalder, Becky Volz, Allison Lawson, Laura Erwin, Katie Jeffries, Crissy Rubinstein.

Becky Volz

Aspire to Inspire - the theme for this year's Missouri State PTA Convention. And inspire they did! It was a weekend of workshops and networking! It was a privilege to represent the SCPTA. A convention tote bag full of goodies, t-shirts, vendors, discussions, ideas (do you have an empty basket ready?) Reflections artwork, and top-notch workshops hit the spot for my curious-to-know, information-sponge-mind. First thing, at the registration table, MOPTA officers are offering to come to Springfield, speak, help, and do anything they can to support our units. And that offer was echoed throughout the workshops, "how can I help **your** units?" This community of volunteers called PTA is simply amazing...all of them! 35 topics/workshops to choose from! (How to choose??) Speakers came from National PTA, State PTA and PTA Councils. Our team of 6 from Council Board and unit members from Glendale, Disney, Jarrett, Robberson, and Rountree split up to cover as much ground as possible, then we had our own SCPTA circle discussion on ideas to bring home. As in-coming president, my focus was on Bylaws, Resolutions, Parliamentary Procedure, Insurance, Conflict Management, Navigating PTA webpages, Engaging At Risk Students and Diversity & Inclusion. This was my first trip to convention, and I want to strongly suggest that each unit do whatever it takes to send your board members to convention next year. Get it in your budget. Plan for it. PTA is 120 years strong. PTA has literally changed this country's policies for children. Let's keep that story going...let's create the future...let's encourage each other. **Aspire to Inspire!!**

2017 State Convention Reports

Laura Erwin

I'm so grateful to our community for allowing me to attend the SCPTA State Convention in Columbia, MO this year. This was my first PTA convention and was extremely impressed with the amount of information available to all of us. I encourage anyone that can attend a convention like this to do so.

The convention schedule offered a General Meeting, Exhibit Hall, Training Sessions, and Roundtable Networking. The General Meeting, was attended by our Springfield delegation. This meeting included the annual report from Missouri PTA President, Dorothy Gardner, greetings from our National PTA Secretary/Treasurer, Wayne Bauman, and then a presentation of all the awards earned this year.

Next were the 30 workshops offered throughout the weekend that we were available to selected from. My first workshop was on Leadership Awards given by Sarah Day, PTA VP, which showed how PTA member can qualify and apply for the awards. They have revised and revamped all the Membership awards to simplify the process with the application and due dates. Next was Retaining Today's PTA Members, given by Wayne Bauman, Secretary/Treasurer National PTA. Using this proven renewal process model to keeps those members engaged and connected throughout the school year, leading to increased retention rates in your schools. Another attended workshop was Reflections, given by Susan Rupert, Missouri PTA President Elect. Reflections was given in a 2-part class with the first giving an overview on how to plan, promote, run and celebrate with the program. The second part was about the online submission process for the different levels of the entries, local, state and national. Family Reading Program is a National Program that was developed to engage the whole family with interactive reading activities. This program is an event that could be held a couple of times a year, promoting families to engage at the elementary level.

One concept I walked away with after listening to other schools and leaders is that our world is ever forever changing, so sometimes we have to adapt to society and find out what is working today to get those parents, families, staff and students involved today. I visited with other schools across Missouri on what Programs are working for them and found we have a whole network of others willing to share that are just a phone call or email away that we can get information from. Please reach out if you have questions.

It warms my heart to know the amount of volunteer support we have in our area and look forward to the upcoming year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laura Erwin

Katie Jeffries

I had the pleasure to go to the State PTA conference in Columbia, Missouri on April 29th 2017. This was my first PTA conference I've ever attended. I was only able to stay for the day, but went to several workshops.

I first attended a workshop about becoming a secretary. I learned about the duties and responsibilities of becoming a secretary. There was a lot of useful information that I will be able to use as the secretary of the Executive Committee for the 2017-18 school year Dorothy Gardner taught this class.

The second workshop I went to was on identification of frequent drugs that are use and how to be aware of possible drug use. Sergeant Shawn Griggs from the Missouri State Highway Patrol taught the class. He was very informative. He made the class fun my checking our own knowledge about what we knew about drugs. There were also many pictures presented to give us a visual of so many drug names we hear, but have no idea what they look like.

The last workshop I attended was about the State of Missouri Bullying Law. An attorney, Scott Summers from the Missouri School Board's Association, taught this class. Bullying is a huge future concern for so many schools. This law will help protect the schools and students.

I also attended the General Meeting at lunchtime. I had never witnessed this or been to a general meeting of an association. This meeting consisted of greetings from the state and national level, legislative report, treasurer's report, awards presentations and some voting. Wayne Bauman, the National PTA Secretary Treasurer, was the guest speaker. Dorothy Gardner, the State President of PTA, hosted this meeting. This annual meeting is required every year.

For one day I gained so much knowledge about PTA. This is all very new to me, but this convention has helped me to feel more comfortable in my role for the next school year and be motivated as an involved PTA parent. It is always a good day when we learn something.

Sincerely,

Katie Jeffries

2017 State Convention Reports

Julia Stalder

It was my pleasure to attend the Missouri PTA 101st Annual State Convention April 29-30 in Columbia, Missouri with my daughter Mattie James who is a freshman at Glendale. She was one of 7 students attending the convention. This was my first PTA convention and it was an eye opening experience. Saturday morning began with workshops. I attended Missouri's Budget Challenges workshop presented by Mike Sutherland which focused on the Missouri State Budget and revenue outlook for FY 2018, the impact on education funding and potential revenue policy solutions. The second morning workshop I attended was by Wayne Bauman entitled Retaining Today's PTA Members. We learned how important the renewal process is as well as engaging members and staying connected with them throughout the year.

Our delegation then attended the General Meeting & Awards Presentations. Every unit and council is required to hold an annual meeting and so is Missouri PTA. During this time they conduct the business that must be accomplished before the general membership. Additionally we heard from a guest speaker, National PTA Secretary, Treasurer, Wayne Bauman who is the National PTA Secretary/Treasurer and awards were presented. After the working lunch I attended a workshop by Bonnie Cannon called Conflict Management and finished up the day with an extremely informative workshop by Carla Weise entitled Legislation, Advocacy & PTA where I learned the background on the Radicalization of Youth Resolution that was passed during the General Meeting.

I attended two workshops on Sunday. The first was a Fundraising Panel presented by Sparkl W. and Andrea B. where I learned what has been successful for other PTAs and what hasn't worked. The second was Social Media II - Intermediate through Advanced that discussed ways to expand our reach and effectively communicate our message while building our image on social media which was amazing!

My biggest take away was learning that PTA is truly about child advocacy and that no other child advocacy organization does what we do with a focus on EveryChild OneVoice. As the Missouri PTA President Dorothy Gardner stated, we DO make a difference.

Thank you SCPTA for the opportunity to attend!

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Stalder

I was honored to attend the 101st Missouri State PTA Convention in Columbia, MO during April 29-30, 2017. I attended 7 workshops and look forward to sharing information from these workshops with anyone who is interested. MO State PTA plans to add the slide presentations from all the workshops to the state website soon. Other online resources were available now.

Membership Basics by Christine Kent, MO PTA VP and Director of Membership Services reminded us that the PTA vision is to "make every child's potential a reality" and reported that next year's membership theme would be "Memberships are within our reach." Issues were raised about the challenges of membership as schools move to no-paper, electronic registrations and communications. Resources are available at <https://mopta.org/membership-basics/>. The second workshop was No Carrot, No Stick: Emergency Operations Planning and presented by John Warner, Emergency Planning Coordinator with Missouri School Board Association's (MSBA) Missouri Center for Education Safety (CES). PTAs were advised to think beyond active-shooter planning and to make sure our schools have and that PTAs are aware of how parents fit into expanded All-Hazard approach emergency response plans. Resources are available at <http://www.msbanet.org/msba-center-for-education-safety/>. The third workshop I attended was Missouri's Bully Law by Scott Summers, JD and Director of School Laws for MSBA. Mr. Summers is an attorney and discussed MO 160.775 which amends Missouri's definition of bullying, MO 170.048 which now requires districts to have a Youth Suicide Prevention policy, and the federal replacement of No Child Left Behind with Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Mr. Summer also discussed how these laws apply to Cyberbullying. The fourth workshop was Treasurer I by Sonia Smith, MO PTA State Treasurer who provided a monthly timeline of the responsibilities of Treasurers, discussed the importance of units being in Good Standing, and recommended units have insurance and bonding. She also reminded us of the 3-TO-1 rule which says PTA do 3 non-fundraising activities for every 1 fundraising activity. She cautioned units not to violate the Sunshine Funds rule which says units cannot use PTA funds to benefit any individual person or family even after catastrophic events like fire or floods. Online training for Treasurers is available at <https://member.pta.org/Shop/Local-Leader-eLearning-Courses>. The fifth workshop was Legislation, Advocacy & PTA by Carla Wiese, MO PTA VP & Director of Legislation and Advocacy who reminded us that as PTAs we "speak for every child". We learned of a dangerous substance called "Powered Alcohol" that just looks like pixie stick candy but is actually ethyl alcohol encased in sugar and extremely dangerous. Powered alcohol is the focus of current MO legislation HB 29, <https://mopta.org/advocacy/action-alerts/jcdc-action-alert-hb-29-powdered-alcohol/>. Members can register for legislative updates called JC/DC by subscribing to newsletter on MOPTA website and checking the JC/DC box. The sixth workshop was Engaging at Risk Youth & Their Families by Kristina Wilmoth of Springfield and MO PTA Public Relations Chair and by Angie Warner, MO PTA Regional Director. PTAs were reminded to Reach Out, Reach Often, Reach Further to be there for every child. At-risk youth are found in all walks of life, and one positive experience can impact and support a child's successful development. The seventh workshop was Diversity & Inclusion by Burchell McGhee, MO PTA Diversity Outreach & Engagement Chair. PTAs must work for diversity at all levels of participation in our mission to serve **every** child. The PTAs Values which include Diversity are available at <http://www.pta.org/about/content.cfm?ItemNumber=944&navItemNumber=552>.

I felt it was perfect that the final workshop reminded us that PTA's mission is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

Respectfully submitted,

Allison Lawson

CLOTHING BANK

Well, its hard to believe, but Thursday was already the last shopping day at the Clothing Bank for the 2017-18 school year! It has been an amazing year! We are taking time to reflect and assessing how everything went and making plans for things we want to put in place next year. But most of all, we are humbled by the ENORMOUS amount of support we received this year from our faithful PTA units, Principal Justin and the staff at Study; principals, CSI's, nurses, Council executive board and administration—and that's just within our school system! You all have told our story well and have engaged your schools and the community. It has become a matter of the heart for so many of us now—to do our part to send children to school ready to learn because they have plenty of clothing, new sneakers, brand new socks and underwear, and a warm winter coat. This falls in line with one of the most-noble tenets of PTA and we are grateful to all of you!

We have been blessed with a team of volunteers who committed their time most every Thursday to working shopping hours at the Clothing Bank. And because we had more than 2,000 children visit the Clothing Bank at least once this year, we honestly could not have managed without them. Thank you to my precious dad, Tom Wyrick; our Council President Carrie Windes; Julie Baker from Greenwood; and two of the most gracious women you will ever meet--Terry Dunham and Janetta Tracy. Both of these ladies are an invaluable part of the team--every single day we are open--and continue to work tirelessly for the children in our community.



In addition, we are absolutely THRILLED to introduce and welcome Allison Lawson as the V.P. of Health & Public Services on Council. She will be over the Clothing Bank and will do an amazing job. She has been working with Patty and I for months and she has the BIGGEST heart for the Clothing Bank and is full of new and wonderful ideas! She is taking on a big job and Patty and I are excited to work with her. Please continue to lend her all the love and support you have always given to us.

We are also excited to offer two summer shopping days again this year to students enrolled in Explore! and who qualify for the Clothing Bank. We will be open Thursday, June 8, and Thursday, June 15, from 1 to 5 for volunteers and 2:30 to 5 for shoppers. And of course, the Kiwanians will be there to provide shoes for qualifying students. We expect to be busy on these days and would love to get to volunteer alongside our PTA friends!

If you haven't already, please follow us on Facebook at The PTA Clothing Bank to keep up with everything going on And finally, Patty and I want to sincerely thank you all for a tremendous two years. We have felt your love, support and graciousness every step of the way. We are forever grateful to the people who help us help others. We could have never done this without all of you! We will be by Allison's side as she takes the helm and we look forward to seeing you all soon at our beloved Clothing Bank!

Sincerely,
Jennifer Penny & Patty Dunn



Council General Meeting minutes are approved by the Executive Committee as directed in the bylaws. Minutes are available online at <http://scptamo.com/category/meetings/>.

Historian's Report 2016 - 2017

President – Carrie Windes

The 2015 SCPTA year started on **August** 1st with Officer Orientation at KAC. As President I chaired the School Crossing Protection Committee (SCPC) on August 4. I worked at the clothing bank as often as I could. Our first executive meeting was held August 16 at KAC. We decided there wouldn't be a January General meeting again this school year. The Council News for January was emailed to PTA/PTSA presidents. I met with Michele Boswell and Donna Petiford to discuss our council PTA presentation to SPS School Board. I, also, met with Angela Knight to work on Council email addresses. Will try to fully implement these addresses next school year and do new business cards for new officers. Donna and I met with Westport principal, Kim Sublett, to discuss reestablishing their PTA.

In **September**, Michele Boswell, Lori Nelson, Aaron Mrad, Heather Buckner and I attended SPS School Board meeting to promote PTA. Helped with September council newsletter. Our first General meeting was held on the 7th at Study Alternative Center. Attendees enjoyed a fashion show by Study students wearing clothes they selected from The PTA Clothing Bank, which they kept to enjoy. Superintendent Dr. Jungmann spoke on his plans for SPS. SPS Nutrition Services offered their services to units and Peggy Stepp, RIF, asked for our PTA/PTSAs' support. Tours of the Clothing Bank were conducted after meeting. Worked at Clothing Bank. On the 12th, Donna and I attended Westport Open House to gauge parents interest in having a PTA. I attended a Reflections' Training on September 20. Led SCPC meeting on September 22. I ordered travel mugs with PTA logo for principals for October and for volunteers of the year gifts for February.

The **October** General meeting on October 5th was held at Jarrett MS with a performance by their students. We honored our SPS Principals and gifted those who attended with a OTA travel mug. Dale Krumm presented our Major Saver fundraiser. We introduced our new VP of Organization and Development, Julia Stalder. Donna Petiford spoke about our council Scholarships. Helped with newsletter. Worked at Clothing Bank. Finalized date for Founders' Day. Met with Michele Boswell and Julia Stalder to discuss VP position and transfer information.

The **November** General membership meeting was held on the 2nd at Wilson's Creek 5-6. Wilson's Creek students performed. Mehleena Maigi spoke on behalf of Lost & Found Grief Center for Children's Grief Awareness month. Carol Embree, SPS Chief Finance & Operations Officer, spoke to us regarding SPS Facility Master Plan. Helped with newsletter. Worked at Clothing Bank. I attended Founders' Day meeting on the 8th at GHS to select theme and begin planning.

The **December** General meeting was held at Fremont Elementary. Fremont' synchronized basketball team, The Dribblers, performed led by Coach Stoneking and music teacher Ms. Cowperthwait. Greg Burris, Springfield City Manager, spoke regarding the Zone 1 Blitz. We elected the SCPTA nominating committee with Becky Volz as the chair. Announced local membership challenge winners. Helped with newsletter. Worked at Clothing Bank. Attended Founders' Day Taste Testing at Central with SPS Nutrition Services. Emailed PTA/PTSA Presidents Founders' Day Banquet information.

There wasn't a **January** general meeting. The Council News, which I helped with, was posted on our website and emailed to PTA/PTSA presidents. Worked on getting speakers for February and April meetings. Helped with Reflections' showcase at the mall. Worked with Shannon Nagy on newsletter for February. Emailed Presidents and Board reminding them our February general meeting would be on the 1st!

The **February** General meeting was held at Holland Elementary on the 1st. Holland students performed. Dana Carroll, Springfield's Child Advocate, Every Child Promise, spoke concerning Early Childhood in Springfield. Pamela Anderson, Director of Development, Foundation for SPS spoke on behalf of the foundation and what it is doing in the community and the Teacher Appreciation Banquet in April. Worked at Clothing Bank. Founders' Day committee meeting at GHS on the 6th. I printed, mailed, and emailed Founders' Day invitations to our past presidents, school board, and administration. Organized volunteer information and photos for slideshow. GHS student produced it. Helped with program for Founders' Day. GHS student produced it.. I produced Volunteer certificates. The Founders' Day Banquet was hosted by Glendale High School at Glendale High School on February 23rd. Great evening! Mark Miller, GHS dad, was our emcee. I led SCPC meeting on the 23rd. Helped with March newsletter. Worked at Clothing Bank. Emailed Presidents and Board again regarding SPS upcoming bond issue (April 4) and reminder that General Meeting is the 1st of March.

The **March** General meeting and School Board Q&A Forum, Bond Presentation was held at Sunshine Elementary on the 1st. Sunshine students produced and presented a Leader in Me video. The slate of SCPTA officers for 2016-17 was presented and voted on. School Board member and SCPTA Executive Board Advisor, Gerry Lee, and SPS Chief Finance & Operations Officer, Carol Embree did a presentation on the upcoming SPS Bond issue (vote April 4) and then answered questions from our council members. We voted, as a council, on a resolution in favor of the SPS Bond. Worked at Clothing Bank. I served on Teacher of the Year Selection Committee. I read through 75 teacher nominations and attended meeting on the 23rd.

Historian's Report 2016 - 2017

The **April** General meeting was held at Sequiota Elementary on the 5th. Sequiota's Singsations Choir performed for us. Then we watched a student-produced video presentation on Sequiota's PTA. Kristiann Summerville, Program Manager for Greene County Children's Division, spoke to us about Kinship Care recruitment. Lindsay Haymes, Executive Director of GO CAPS, gave an informative presentation on the GO. CAPS Program. Dana Webb, Director of Summer Learning & Student Experiences, spoke about SPS Explore summer school. Helped with newsletter. Worked at Clothing Bank. The committee selection of top five nominees and judging of the Teacher of the Year finalists was held on the 6th. The winner, Daniel Gutierrez, vocal music teacher at Reed MS, was announced at the Teacher Appreciation Banquet, which I attended on the 17th. Helped with May's newsletter. Emailed Presidents and Board regarding our council SCPTA. We changed date from May 2nd to May 16.

The **May** general meeting will be held May 3rd at the Sherwood Elementary Project Lab. This final meeting of the school year is hosted by the SCPTA council. Major Saver participation checks and fundraiser checks, Major Saver's check to Clothing Bank, membership award certificates, and attendance incentive checks will be passed out. We will also vote on the proposed budget for next year and install next years' officers. The SCPTA School of Information will be held at Parkview High School on Tuesday, May 16, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m There will be an SCPC meeting on the 18th.

Legislative Chair – Donna Petiford

Our council legislative goals this school year were to include a Legislative Q&A with our local elected officials and a school board candidates' forum. Due to the elections, we chose not to host the annual Legislative Q&A, but we continued to inform members about legislative actions in Jefferson City and Washington DC and encouraged voter registration and voter turnout throughout the legislative session. We did not host a school board candidates' forum because there was not a school board election this year. Instead we hosted a Q&A with school board member Gerry Lee and SPS officials regarding the bond proposal.

Council passed the resolution "Supporting the April 4, 2017, Bond Initiative" and helped educate and inform members about the proposed \$189 million bond. Although the bond proposal did not pass, we are committed to continue working with the district and the community to ensure equity and opportunity for all students.

National PTA was encouraged by the US House of Representatives' passing the "Supporting Youth Opportunity and Preventing Delinquency Act", which would reauthorize the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP) and strengthen the nation's juvenile justice system. Reauthorization of the JJDP is long overdue. National PTA continues to work for US Senate passage of this bill.

Missouri PTA continues to work to defeat MO Senate Bill 32 which would establish the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program. Missouri PTA opposes diverting public funds to private and parochial schools through vouchers or other measures. Missouri PTA issued a number of legislative alerts throughout the session and gave testimony in Jefferson City on issues of child protection, juvenile justice and support of public education and education funding.

Vice President: Organization and Development -- Julia Stalder

Handbook Continuing the change made last year, the handbook is posted in an electronic format on the SCPTA website.

Bylaws All schools who had bylaw revisions coming up were notified and offered assistance as needed. state office information on bylaw renewals was reviewed, and those schools who did not have their bylaws renewed were contacted to let them know that they were not a unit .

Scholarships- Carol Oliver, Chairman

Gertrude McBride Fund: Springfield Council of PTAs awarded high schools and middle schools each from the Gertrude McBride Fund. This fund was established in 1921 to honor Gertrude McBride, an educator, school board President, and a founding member of our local PTA. These fund are designated to provide assistance to students in need.

Central HS Glendale HS Hillcrest HS Kickapoo HS Parkview HS
Cherokee MS Pershing MS Pipkin MS Pleasant View MS Wilson's Creek

CARE Fund: Twelve elementary schools were awarded, each to recognize outstanding student behavior, attendance, and academic achievement. This fund was established in 2004 to honor Charlie Nickel, a longtime Springfield educator and PTA supporter. Bingham, Bissett, Boyd, Delaware, Disney, Harrison, Pershing, Pleasant View, Rountree, Sherwood, Watkins and Wilder. This spring, the 5 high school scholarships for the 2016-17 academic year will be awarded. Each scholarship will be \$500 and is nonrenewable. Proof of enrollment must be submitted to SCPTAs by September 2016.

Resource Development: Thirteen schools participated in the Major Saver discount card fundraiser and combined they raised more than \$47,500. The 13 schools' principals will receive \$200 from SCPTA each as incentive for participating in the fundraiser and the school that sold the most cards will receive a \$500 check for their school site. In addition to the money raised from card sales, Major Saver is donating \$200 to the Clothing Bank for every school that participated: Bissett E, Disney E, Mann E, Jeffries E, Twain, E, Pershing E, Pershing MS, Pleasant View E, Pleasant View MS, Portland E, Gray E, Wilson's Creek 5-6, and York E.

Historian's Report 2016 - 2017

Vice President: Promotions -- Carrie Windes served

Membership Council had a total of 4,480 PTA/PTSA Memberships reported to State for the 2016-17 year. The SCPTA held 2 different membership challenges this school year. A drawing was held for \$75 for units who had an increase in individual memberships and another drawing for \$75 for units with an increase in business memberships was held. The winter challenge was to increase membership between January 1 and March 15. Those units with an increase qualified for a drawing for \$75.

Founders' Day "PTA: Your Adventure" was the theme for Founders Day! The event was hosted by Glendale High School on Thursday, February 23rd, at Glendale High School. Mark Miller, OTC Director of Communications and Marketing and a Glendale dad, was our emcee. The Glendale Girls Service Society were our servers for the evening. The Perfect Fourths, Glendale string quartet played prior to and during dinner. SPS Nutrition Services provided a delicious buffet including BBQ brisket, chicken, mashed potatoes, macaroni and cheese, apple and peach cobbler with vanilla ice cream. Our MOPTA President, Dorothy Gardner, was the guest speaker and told us a story about Blueberries! PTA: Your Adventure, a student-produced video, made us laugh and cry! Students from Glendale feeder elementary and middle schools, and a Glendale junior each expressed what PTA has done for them and their school. We had 30 schools represented and a total of 37 Volunteers of the Year. The volunteers' names, photos, and a quote by each explaining how PTA has been an adventure for him or her was incorporated into a student-produced slideshow. Each volunteer was awarded a certificate by Dr. Jungmann and a gift from Council. We also presented a red rose to each of our four past council presidents in attendance. Patty Dunn was presented the MOPTA Distinguished Service Award. The photo booth with our roaring campfire was a big hit, and volunteers left with several special treats from our host, Glendale High School, including plants from Glendale's Green Squad and bark candy from Glendale's Culinary Team.

Hospitality -- Bernadette Alday, Chair

The SCPTA purchased 2 cases of Apples from Kiwanis in the fall to show appreciation to the KAC Administrative staff. Helped with food selection and setup for the Founder's Day Banquet at Glendale. Will provide refreshments for our May general council meeting. Will provide food/drinks/door prizes for the School of Information Training on May 16 at Parkview. Coordinated with the Host Schools each month in preparing for our monthly council meeting.

Vice President: Health and Public Services -- Jennifer Penny

Clothing Bank The SCPTA Clothing Bank had a fabulously productive year and served over 130 more kiddos this year than last. We were blessed with volunteers and donations. We had 3 regular volunteers we depended on in Jody Schaad, Janetta Tracy and Terry Dunham and the feeder pattern schools really showed up to help sort and serve our children. We also benefitted from churches, service societies, Greenwood parents and children, Drury students and the MSU Fashion Design and Merchandising department. Other friends who we depended on were Julie Baker, Carrie Windes, and Tom Wyrick. We also had our own little Clothing Bank Angel named Kathryn Wilkerson who was our personal, professional shopper and showed up almost weekly with whatever we needed.

The SCPTA Council donates \$7,500 to the clothing bank each year, Major Savers donated \$2,600 and we had a \$1000 anonymous donation. We would also like to thank these schools for their financial donation: Wanda Gray, Harrison, Sunshine, Pleasant View, Sherwood, Truman, Glendale, Cherokee, Wider and Horace Mann. The Clothing Bank received a \$500 Grant from YEP (an initiative of Community Foundation of the Ozarks), coats from the Salvation Army again this year and school supplies and coats from the Kitchen. SPS continues to support our mission and provided us with new computers and a panic button for emergencies. Principal Justin Dickenson, Miss Vickie, and the Study Staff have all been very supportive.

The Clothing Bank had over 2,029 visits (39 days open) and we sent our shoppers out with 8,001 tops, 4,772 bottoms, 1,294 jackets, 493 coats, 6,426 pairs of undies, and 6,453 pairs of socks. The Kiwanis Club put shoes on 1,105 children. Jennifer Penny was the VP on the Council, Patty Dunn was the Clothing Bank chair and the two worked together as co-chairs. We were blessed with the arrival of Allison Lawson who accepted the VP position for next year and started volunteering regularly in February and has really stepped up to learn the ins and outs and brings fresh energy to our Clothing Bank. We would like to thank the Missouri Council of the Blind for picking up the clothing we couldn't use every Thursday like clockwork.

School of Information The annual SCPTA officer training will be held at Parkview High School on May 16th. It will be an evening training session from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. with workshops for President, Treasurer, Secretary, Parliamentarian, Membership, Fundraising, Reflections and more. Baked potato/salad bar will be provided by Hospitality. ALL at no charge to attendees!

Historian's Report 2016 - 2017

Safety - Mary Christiano, Chair

SCPTA continued its work with the School Crossing and Protection Committee this year. Representatives attended the four meetings with the City and County representatives, and Securitas. Crossing counts, school safe walking routes, and Traffic Control Manual were reviewed, and sidewalk requests were presented.

Vice President: Programs -- Lori Nelson

4th Grade Play - Flo Graham, Chair

Thanks to an ongoing partnership between the Springfield Council of PTA's and the Springfield Little Theatre, over 2000 fourth graders from our 36 elementary schools had the opportunity to attend "Freckleface Strawberry: The Musical" based on the beloved New York Times Best Selling book by celebrated actress Julianne Moore. All of the 4th grade students in the district were provided transportation to the historic Landers Theatre for four performances held on May 2nd and May 3rd. We truly appreciate the cooperation and assistance of Teresa Bledsoe and Community Relations and Strategic Planning Office of Springfield Public Schools. As always, it was a wonderful opportunity for all of our 4th graders. Thank you to PTA Council and SPS for continuing to make this wonderful event happen.

Reading is Fundamental (RIF) - Mary Christiano, Chair

Reading Is Fundamental had a successful year. It started with training of coordinators in September and the three distributions to all the first and second grade students. Over 15,000 books were distributed and the children were able to engage with activities to encourage reading. The school coordinators were celebrated with a volunteer reception this past month, and the winners of the poster contest received extra books and a reception at University Heights Baptist Church in April. Many thanks to all the schools that participated with coordinators and sent a donation to help fund the program. Without your help this program of 40 plus years could not continue.

Reflections - Aaron Mrad, Chair

SCPTA sponsors this program for all SPS students and students at Greenwood Laboratory School. The theme for the National PTA Reflections program for 2016-17 was "What's Your Story?" Our training workshop was held on September 20, 2016 at the Library Center. The City Reflections Showcase was held on January 22, 2017 at the Battlefield Mall. We had 32 place 1st-5th at the State level and 2 are advancing onto Nationals!

Treasurer: Becky Volz

This year I have monitored budget needs and adjusted as determined necessary with membership approval. I prepare monthly treasurer reports for the SCPTA newsletter. I have helped unit treasurers with 990-N filing and financial reporting to keep units in good standing. I offered treasurer training at Officer Orientation at the beginning of the school year and at School of Information for new treasurers. Continued training and support will be available throughout the summer to ensure a smooth start to a new year.

Secretary – Mary Christiano

The minutes of all General Meetings were posted on the website. The minutes of all Executive Committee minutes and General Meeting minutes from the past two years, will be bound at the conclusion of the Windes administration and will be placed in MSU Library for safe keeping.

Springfield Council of PTAs 2017-2018 Proposed Budget

Carry Forward from Prior Year

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01 Fundraising Projects	Budget Income	Budget Expense	Net
Fundraiser card sales	25,000.00	4,500.00	20,500.00
Other Fundraising / Sponsors	-	-	-
Total	25,000.00	4,500.00	20,500.00

02 Other Income	Budget Income	Budget Expense	Net
Dues Income	1,700.00	-	1,700.00
Interest Income	200.00	-	200.00
Total	1,900.00	-	1,900.00

03 Special Funds	Budget Income	Budget Expense	Net
Charles Nickles CARE Fund	100.00	2,200.00	-2,100.00
Gertrude McBride Fund	300.00	2,400.00	-2,100.00
Scholarship Fund Grace Carr	200.00	500.00	-300.00
Scholarship Fund Helen Smith	200.00	500.00	-300.00
Scholarship Fund Joan Keiser	200.00	500.00	-300.00
Scholarship Fund SCPTA 2 Year	200.00	500.00	-300.00
Scholarship Fund SCPTA 4 Year	200.00	500.00	-300.00
Total	1,400.00	7,100.00	-5,700.00

04 Administrative	Budget Income	Budget Expense	Net
Accounting Software	-	160.00	-160.00
Bond & Insurance	-	550.00	-550.00
Hospitality	-	900.00	-900.00
Installation	-	50.00	-50.00
MOPTA Dues	-	25.00	-25.00
Postage	-	50.00	-50.00
President Discretionary	-	400.00	-400.00
Promotions - Door Prizes	-	500.00	-500.00
Secretary	-	50.00	-50.00
Supplies	-	100.00	-100.00
Treasurer	-	100.00	-100.00
Website	-	150.00	-150.00
Total	-	3,035.00	-3,035.00

05 Contributions	Budget Income	Budget Expense	Net
4th Grade Play Donation	-	4,500.00	-4,500.00
SCPTAs Scholarships Donation	-	500.00	-500.00
Don't Meth with Us Donation	-	500.00	-500.00
MOPTA Scholarships Donation	-	100.00	-100.00

Project Graduation Donation	-	2,500.00	-2,500.00
RIF Donation	-	1,000.00	-1,000.00
FSPS Teacher Appreciation Banque	-	350.00	-350.00
Total	-	9,450.00	-9,450.00

06 Leadership/Service to Units	Budget Income	Budget Expense	Net
Founders Day Catering	-	3,200.00	-3,200.00
Founders Day Event Expense	-	750.00	-750.00
Founders Day VOY Recognition	-	250.00	-250.00
Handbook	-	50.00	-50.00
Membership Awards	-	300.00	-300.00
Newsletter	-	200.00	-200.00
Officers' Orientation	-	300.00	-300.00
School of Information	-	500.00	-500.00
General Meeting Incentive	-	3,750.00	-3,750.00
Total	-	9,300.00	-9,300.00

07 Officers' Training	Budget Income	Budget Expense	Net
MOPTA State Convention	-	1,000.00	-1,000.00
National PTA Convention	-	3,000.00	-3,000.00
Total	-	4,000.00	-4,000.00

08 Programs	Budget Income	Budget Expense	Net
Clothing Bank	-	7,500.00	-7,500.00
Reflections Program	-	250.00	-250.00
Total	-	7,750.00	-7,750.00

09 Awards / Recognition	Budget Income	Budget Expense	Net
Advisory Committee Appreciation	-	100.00	-100.00
Distinguished Service Award	-	110.00	-110.00
Pres Lifetime Awards/Recog	-	-	-
KAC Recognition/Salute	-	180.00	-180.00
Principals' Recognition	-	400.00	-400.00
Teacher Appreciation-Study Schoo	-	250.00	-250.00
Total	-	1,040.00	-1,040.00

BUDGET TOTALS	Budget Income	Budget Expense	Net
	28,300.00	46,175.00	-17,875.00

Budgeted Decrease in Funds -17,875.00

Budgeted Funds Available for Carry Forward to Next Year -17,875.00

2017 School of Information

Tuesday, May 16th

Parkview High School

5:30 - 5:50 Registration/Dinner

5:45 - 5:50 Welcome

5:50 - 6:30 Session 1 Workshops

1. Treasurer— 1st of 3 Workshops—Plan to Attend Sessions 1 & 2, Session 3 is Optional
2. Secretary
3. Parent Engagement
4. Parliamentary Procedure
5. Membership

6:30 - 7:10 Session 2 Workshops

6. Treasurer— 2nd of 3 Workshops—Plan to Attend Sessions 1 & 2, Session 3 is Optional
7. President—1st of 2 Workshops—Plan to Attend Both
8. Membership
9. Fundraising
10. Reflections
11. Bylaws

7:10 - 7:20 Break

7:20 - 8:00 Session 3 Workshops

12. Treasurer— 3rd of 3 Workshops—Plan to Attend Sessions 1 & 2, Session 3 is Optional
13. President—2nd of 2 Workshops—Plan to Attend Both
14. Communication
15. Advocacy/Legislation
16. Fundraising

8:00 - 8:30 Closing, Survey & Door Prizes