

**Board of Directors Meeting Of The  
Springer Middle School Family Association, Inc.  
Thursday, January 10, 2019 - 6:00PM**

**MINUTES**

- I. Call to order at 6:03 PM by President Jason Heller**
- II. Roll Call - *The following board members were present:  
Jason Heller, Tracy Woodson, Greg Xenakes, and Kim Williams  
Absent was Christy Tobin, Kathy Heller and Pleshette Moore.***
- III. Approval of Mini-Grants**  
*The Springer Family Association Mini-Grant application deadline was January 4, 2019. Attached to these minutes are details of the grants applied for. After discussion, there was a motion by Kim Williams, seconded by Greg Xenakes to approve all grants as requested as all met the requirements of the grant and the total requested falls within the budgeted line item for this year's grants. Motion carried.*
- IV. Adjournment at 6:18 PM**

**Respectfully Submitted -**

**Jason Heller, Acting Secretary**

Staff Member(s) Requesting Grant	Current SFA Member?	Amount Requested	Description of how the grant would be used to benefit our students/families:
Casey Biddle / Dione Allen	Yes	\$300.00	As Springer's cheerleading coaches it is important to us and our student athletes to represent Springer with pride and dignity. We're looking to purchase new uniforms for our cheerleaders of Springer Middle School. Cheerleading uniforms have evolved greatly over the years. They have been reinvented to reflect the function and athleticism of our cheerleaders. It is important for our student athletes to feel empowered and confident in their uniforms while representing our school. Springer's cheerleaders have come together in unity to ensure they are viewed as one team, one uniform. New uniforms for these athletes will complete their mission to look and act the part of Proud Springer Cheerleaders.
Maureen Romeo, Dave Brown, Susy Schmidt	Yes	\$265.00	We are asking for money to support our garden program here at Springer. All 7th graders participate in planting and harvesting the garden in the fall and the spring. Healthy Foods for Healthy Kids program compliments our Diversity of Life Unit. Money will be used to repair the garden beds, shelving for the shed, new gloves, hose nozzle and supplies for the harvest (salad dressing, plates, forks, etc.).
Michael Glazier	Yes	\$54.95	I would like to purchase 5 Magnetic Maps of the United States to help 7th Grade students with the State Geography Standards.
Chris Lake / Jason Heller	Yes	\$500.00	\$250 would be used to provide team t-shirts to the students for the upcoming competitions. \$250 would be used for additional parts that the students need to build and enhance their robots.
Lauren Bott	Yes	\$99.98	This is for a wheeled lectern/stand-up desk for the library available through Amazon. This would help with class presentation and assignment storage during school hours, and would be used for groups presenting in the library in the evening. Currently, class materials are being stored on the window sill and on top of the PC on the cart. This would allow presenters (students and adults) to stand closer to the screen in front of the class with notes and materials in front of them, rather than being tied to the side of the room.
Michael Oberly	Yes	\$500.00	2nd annual Stratosphere Project (Spring 2019). I will be offering an after-school STEM club that focuses on understanding more about our Earth's atmosphere.  Students will: - Learn about the composition of Earth's atmosphere - Learn more about air pressure - Build, launch, retrieve, gather, and analyze data using a weather balloon that reaches up to 100,000ft.  Data collected = GoPro video, temperature, air pressure, humidity, altitude, UV radiation levels, GPS tracking.  The extra money will help fund the following items: * New weather balloon * 2 medium canisters of helium gas (160-170 cubic feet) * UVA / UVB sensor * GPS subscription  Website: <a href="https://sites.google.com/view/east-coast-hab/springer-middle-school-2018">https://sites.google.com/view/east-coast-hab/springer-middle-school-2018</a>
Janette Madison	Yes	\$1,800.00	Our new Illustrative Mathematics curriculum depends on technology to be readily available for teachers and students to interact and work together sharing ideas while learning. The new math curriculum is engaging and elicits collaborative conversations between classmates. Have the ability for students to share their ideas and manipulate the objects with their hands on the board and using the digital applets by touch screen would enhance the curriculum to it's fullest potential. (Pricing could be adjusted with the purchase of additional SMARTBoards). Price could adjust between \$1500 - \$1800 depending on the model of my projector. Contact person Brendan Fowler: (610) 637-1676 at Visual Sound, Inc. 485 Park Way, Broomall, PA. He is the Brandywine School District SMARTBoard representative.

Staff Member(s) Requesting Grant	Current SFA Member?	Amount Requested	Description of how the grant would be used to benefit our students/families:
Kevin Brown	Yes	\$350.00	<p>I am requesting \$200 for the Springer Energy Conservation Evening to be held in the spring. This is contingent of the approval of our mini-grant proposal to Green Pathways for Delaware Schools.</p> <p>I would also like to request materials for water testing for our Environmental Studies program. Chemical Test kits are approximately \$60. I would like to order a Nitrogen test kit, a Phosphate test kit, and replacement chemicals for the Dissolved Oxygen test kits and Bromthymol blue for the liquid pH test kits. This would total about \$150. We would order from Ward Scientific, Carolina Biological Supply company or LaMotte Water testing Co. If this is a possibility I will look up and specifics from these supply companies and have the information available to you.</p>