

September 27, 2016

## PTSO General Meeting

In Attendance: Bonnie Kellem, Priti Patel, Tami Gibbons, Veronica Dean, Hawanya Turner, Chrissy Park, Kathleen Winters, Sejal Patel, Papi Harrison, Liz Mullany, Shari Devoe, Jennifer MacDonald, Jill Howard, Janice MacDonald, Pamela Reed, Sandy Woods, Tracy Frye, Luisa Carveiro Powe, Kathleen Vavoso, Denise Krein, Rita Jackson, Nannette Henderson, Janice Myers, Mike Pewgrath, Stephanie and Darren Dunham, Suhair Rar, Farhat Ahmad, Jelmmmy Rios, Michael Stern, Karen Yoon, Bruce Murray, Ann Murray, Willie Glover, Veronica Glover, Kidada Bivins, Shirley Norman Taylor, Rhonda Mustafaa

PTSO President Rhonda Mustafaa thanked PTSO Board and volunteers for the huge commitment they have given to South County Community and for the various people who volunteered at the different activities.

Ms. Mustafaa also solicited support for the following vacancies Historian, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, and Recording Secretary.

Chrissy Park shared that parent involvement matters and thanked everyone tonight for coming out. Talked about the Free Money Rewards program and the Giant Grocery Store program that opens on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016 and ends on March 16, 2017. Our code is 04911. Amazon program earned \$1,113.68 for 2015-2016 school year (a 30% increase from previous year).

Treasurer Report: Audit performed by Stacy Kelly, Elena Jordan and Chrissy Park. No exceptions found in final treasurer report and the balance moved forward.

Budget 2016-2017 school year:

- Line Item 3-prior year to increase membership goal to 10, 000 dollars. Do this by Harlem Wizard game, School Dance, Craft Fair, General, PTSO door sales, concessions.
- Line 8B-remove. Move to program and services.
- Boost Up: to support student services; celebration of academic achievement of students making progress in their academics. Student Services will acknowledge those students and identify them.
- Mosaic: all minority groups and clubs (Black Student Union, Hispanic, Asian)
- Military Connect—Michael Greenberg; getting military students connected with other military students. Help military families transition to high school. Michael came on after the budget was approved so unsure of what it exactly looks like or the amount of seed money to get started.
- Exceptional Education Program-provide resources for parents with academic needs. Ms. Mustafaa is spearheading this effort.

Comment from Nannette Henderson regarding new fundraisers. Almost \$50,000 surplus. Fundraisers to sustain programs throughout the year. Increase budget lines and see how these new fundraisers do. The PTSO sees that 20% of budget is used for less than 10% of kids. Trying to increase the number of students served.

Wizards Sales: So far, \$1315.00 in ticket sales. Break even at \$5500. Fundraiser to build community relationships and soliciting administrator and teacher involvement. Fun family oriented event to foster community building. Cost is not shared between schools. Sold Court side tickets (\$25 per ticket) and potential to net \$12,000. Definitely need volunteer help. The Dance Party is student driven and will be a super bowl dance party.

Zero dollar reserve—everything rolls over from year to year. Student enrichment for student services to increase mental health awareness.

Two proposed changes:

Section 10-prior carry over

AGNP-increase \$1500 to support entertainment. \$25 to lower ticket price. Need a reserve or cushioning for next school year. Wait until ANGP meets to discuss. 25 approved, 7 against, 4 abstained.

Amend Nannette's additional \$1500 and all in favor except 2 opposed, 1 abstained. Budget approved.

Priti Patel: Membership as of September 18<sup>th</sup>, 273 adults, 181 students, 51 staff. 505 total

Catalyst SAT Boot Camp: 1<sup>st</sup> boot camp the prior weekend. 63 students attended and generated \$2520. \$40 per student.

Military Child Connection-great feedback so far. Met once only. Student program.

Principal Report: Matt Ragone second anniversary coming up at South County. Teacher of the Year feeds into County one which feeds into Washington Post Agnes Meyers Teacher of the Year Award. October 28<sup>th</sup> first deadline. Changes with grading and reporting. Technical and philosophical. The "O" has gone away in terms of reporting. Grades pushed out on a weekly basis. Student, parent view. Spoke about the Three Tiers of Instruction. There are 5-6 different groups of learning circles at South County to improve the instruction and teachings of Tier 1 students (the classroom teacher). They are opening up the learning center and it is voluntary, no one has to do anything if they have too much work to do themselves. Service hours, writing and math help, lunch time help.

General Announcements:

October 27<sup>th</sup> is Club Day at lunch time

November 22<sup>nd</sup> is Honor Roll

October 14<sup>th</sup> is Academic Awards.

October 29<sup>th</sup> is Wellness Summit at Fairfax HS.

Gold Out for Pediatric Cancer Awareness

WE need a Stallion Student to represent student council on PTSO; Ms. Mustafaa also solicited a student volunteer to serve on United Prevention Coalition Teen Council.

Ms. Mustafaa recognized Tracy Frye, Past Recording Secretary and Julie Gorski, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President for all their work, support, countless hours to PTSO Board. Ms. Mustafaa also recognized Farhat Ahmad for her outstanding service and coordination for the Back to School Teacher Breakfast.

Minutes prepared: 10 Oct 16, Corresponding Secretary, Pipi Harrison

Minutes reviewed: 11 Oct 16, President, Rhonda C. Mustafaa

Minutes approved: