

## Service High School PTSA Minutes

10 February 2015

The general membership meeting was brought to order @ 1800 with introductions.

### In attendance:

Dan Garcia, President	John Gaskins, Principal
Frank Shaffer, Vice President	Greg Mamikunian, Student Liaison
Deanna McCreary, Cougar Cache Mgr.	Denise Duff, Parent
Kim Garcia, Secretary/ Membership Chair	Laurie Dworian, Parent
	George Tolbert, CDR, NJROTC Teacher

### Minutes

The minutes of the January meeting were read. Frank motioned to approve, Laurie seconded, all approved.

### Treasurer's Report

The daily Cougar Cache deposits are still a little low. Laurie mentioned she and Kim Morris will be buying door prizes and paying for the main luncheon food and may possibly spend more than what is budgeted for Teacher Appreciation. It was confirmed there's money in the budget to cover the luncheon. Laurie motioned to approve report, Denise seconded, all approved.

### Principal's Report

- **Construction** – Fire systems were tested today. Will receive the Certificate of Occupancy. ASD will be moving furniture into the library and Cougar Cache beginning 21 February. Furniture will be delivered 6 March, with shelving arriving 2 weeks after. Computers will be set up by 22 March, which will open the library to students soon after. Café open soon after Spring Break.
- **Sadie Hawkins Dance** – 20 March
- **Conferences** – Wednesday, 18 February, beginning @ 1145 – 1430, lunch, 1600 – 1900 with PTSA volunteers providing lunch for the staff. Half day for students on Wednesday, full day on Thursday, In-Service on Friday.
- **Testing** - ACT and SAT testing coming up. Also, Science SBA's and AMP testing.

### Teacher Report

- Eileen was not in attendance. Frank had nothing to add, though he had sent out an e-mail to the staff as a reminder of the meeting.
- **Conferences** – There was discussion over why our conference day is Wednesday this term. Laurie mentioned there was some confusion since we're usually on Thursday. This comes from middle schools doing conferences on one day, so we alternate.

## Student report

- **Sadie Hawkins Dance / Spirit Week** – 16 - 20 March (week following Spring Break)  
Dance, Friday 20 March
- **Spirit Week** – Monday - Dress for Success or Mess, Tuesday - Dynamic Duo/Twins, Wednesday – Lord of the Rings/Harry Potter, Thursday – “I can’t believe you wore that!”, Friday – Pretty in Pink/Buff in Blue also assembly
- **Dance Off** – 20 March in cafeteria if available.
- **Sophomore Class** - selling Valentine-grams
- **Mr. Congeniality** – Thursday, February 26 @ 7pm
- **Senior Class** – selling raffle tickets and 50/50 at hockey and basketball games. Also, senior hoodies are still on sale.
- **Prom** – Saturday, 11 April at ChangePoint. Laurie asked if this is only a senior prom. No, both junior and senior prom.
- **Budget** – Greg passed out the budget for the senior class. Will be requesting funds to cover the buses for Senior Fun Day.

## Cougar Cache Report

- Move downstairs is planned for 21 February. NJROTC has been helping. Will need to order new cabinets for display. Amy, who works for Builder’s Millwork Supply, will be coming up with a quote to get the cabinets built in maple to match what’s already there. John said get the quote to him and depending on the cost we might be able to use money from construction.
- Kim asked about the door originally planned going into the cafeteria. It couldn’t open into the cafeteria because of direct competition with the cafeteria.
- Odom is scheduled to move the cooler downstairs.
- Hoping to have everything ready to go to be able to sell during Mr. Congeniality.

## Old Business

- **Testing Snacks** – Last month, The Counseling Dept. submitted a fund request for \$450 to pay for snacks for SAT and ACT testing. It was tabled since no one was available for more information. Plans will be made to supply snacks from the Cougar Cache.
- **Parking** – Dan brought up the parking issue, mainly that there’s not enough parking for visitors around the building and also that often the park jobs are such that vehicles can’t get through to pick up students. There was much discussion over how to contact the owner of a vehicle. John said if the vehicle is parked illegally, the SROs can ticket the vehicle. Kim, who maintains parking at Service, mentioned that oftentimes, the owner of a vehicle can’t be determined.
- **Conferences** – Laurie said there are lots of volunteers wanting to bring desserts, but we’ll need more side dishes.

- **Signs** – Frank proposed getting signs made for around the school. Right now, there's not an easy way of getting around Service due to not having many directional signs. He would like to replace the 'butcher paper signs' that are currently up announcing Student Services, etc. He suggested doing a "walk-through" to see where signs would be needed. John mentioned we may be able to add funding for the signs into the construction.

### **New Business**

- **Treadmill** – NJROTC will be requesting funds to purchase a new (used) treadmill for use by the cadets. They're looking for a commercial size. George will prepare a fund request form and submit at a later date. Could be close to \$2600. + S&H; Cdr Tolbert also mentioned the State Drill Meet will be 21 February.
- **Website** – Frank asked when the district model for websites would be set up. The plan is to have a model for uniformity across all the schools in the district. John said the estimated date to begin is after testing in April is over, but the plan is by the start of next school year. Frank asked about a Twitter account that would keep students, parents, staff, etc informed in a more timely manner than e-mails, all-calls, bulletins, etc. Chugiak has one in place. Would need someone to be in charge of it. Greg mentioned Student Government has an account.

### **Fund requests**

- **Buses for Senior Fun Day** – The senior class is requesting \$1400.00 to cover the buses that will transport the senior class to Kincaid Park and back on Senior Fun Day. Denise made the motion to approve, Laurie seconded and all were in favor.

### **Adjournment**

- Meeting adjourned at 1847 (6:47 p.m.)
- Next meeting scheduled for 3 March @ 1800 (6:00 p.m.) Dan will not be here.