

# Service High School PTSA Minutes

May 9, 2017 – meeting call to order at 6:05

## In Attendance:

Mary Rosenfield – President  
Holly Rogers – Cougar Cache Manager  
Eileen Foley – Teacher Liaison  
Brenda Lannen – Secretary Elect  
Melissa Carey – Parent  
Tel Finnerty – Student Liaison  
Sandi Lowther – Membership  
Pam Giammalva – Treasurer Elect

Kerri Scoggins – Alumni Liaison  
Mary Ahonen – Teacher  
Sharron Johnson – President Elect  
Kim Garcia – Member, Website  
Pat Murphy - Teacher  
Frank Hauser – Principal  
Ron Bates – Treasurer

## President's Report:

- Gifts to the CIT graduates – Elaine Tibbetts will give the cards with gifts to the students.

## Secretary's Report:

- Minutes from April 11 meeting were approved as presented.

## Treasurer's Report:

- Income for April \$4,493.87 – Expenses \$4,415.33
- Income year to date \$67,221.04 – Expenses \$47,578.98
- Current balances: Checking \$46,301.74 – Savings \$5.00
- The board meets separately in August to create and vote on the next school year budget. That budget will be presented to general meeting at the Back to School night.

## Principal's Report:

- SCOG (Service Cougar Olympic Games) and pig roast was a success and will expand it out next year with its own SCOG assembly.
- Will look at having more drinks next year due to running out this year.
- First time in history the Governor spoke at the School Board meeting about the state budget.
- Service will lose 1 AP and 1 clerical along with 6.6 FTE this includes 1 counselor position.
- ASD is looking at more cuts depending on the legislature – talking about an extra 5% reduction but won't know until around June timeframe.
- The focus this school year was attendance and graduation rate.
  - Attendance increased growth every month except one month – Service had second highest behind ERHS.
  - Graduate rate for first semester for students to be on track their freshman year had gone up 3% to 78.23%.
- Notified last week JROTC received the Unit of Distinction with honors three years in a row.
- New hoodies were given out during teacher appreciation week – Had positive comments and appreciated them.
- Benches are finished in the courtyard and would like to open it up. Will place grass seed and will place stakes around the area to keep students off of it.
- Artwork is getting put up on the wall. Molly is working on it.
- Graduation is Monday, May 15 at 2pm. School will be out at 11am with class periods being 1-4.

## Teacher's Report:

- Induction after school at Spenard Roadhouse had large group of staff and two new principals show up.
- Staff appreciation week went well.
- This week the oars will be handed out to the retirees with cake and punch provided by the Sunshine Committee.
- The retirees are Elaine Tibbetts, Jodette Knock, Phyllis Koehler, and Helen Hsieh

## Student's Report:

- Students thought the crossover went well.
- SCOG had more student participation than prior years – it helps increase school spirit.
- PTSA paid for the games and thought the money was well spent.

## Cougar Cache Report:

- Things are going well. A lot of clubs worked it this year and hope to continue it next year.
- Met with the librarian about a sign. Will be using the laminator and cutouts for the wall to identify the Cougar Cache.
- Thoughts about getting a digital sign like the one in the cafeteria. This could identify what club is working, sales, etc.

### **PTSA Membership Report: - Sandi**

- No new memberships this month but will start recruiting membership at registration.

### **Fund Requests:**

- Pat Murphy requests \$20,000 to replace aging projectors throughout the school.
  - Projectors are 17-19 years old and needing about 84 projectors.
  - Vivitek projectors are \$580 each.
  - Motion to buy 10 projectors totaling \$5,800.
  - All approved motion with one opposed.
- Mary Ahonen requests \$450 for t-shirts for new program "Peer Mentorship"
  - Peer Mentorship was last Tuesday. Dimond and South HS collaborated training together.
  - Due to being pilot year – would like to request PTSA to buy shirts and will fundraise following years
  - DHS and SAHS had shirts and was easy to identify them
  - Quote from Trophy Shop would be \$10 each totaling \$450
  - All approved motion with one opposed.
- \$111 Fund Request for Raised Serving Platters for Catering Events. – Melinda Dooley
  - She has requested funds multiple times this year.
  - Mr. Hauser stated Anchorage Rotary at KCC requested our Prostart program.
  - All approved motion with two opposed

### **Old Business:**

- New Spirit Wear Apparel and stuff for Cache (new logo) – Transition from Laura Romberg to new board
- CIT Students – Senior Gifts (Mary) and update (Eileen) – extra gift cards 25 gift cards by Steam Dot
  - Point of contacts for business partnerships for next year
- New sign for Cougar Cache (Holly)
- Status of order for hoodies/t-shirts for SHS staff (gift from PTSA) – Ordered April 7<sup>th</sup> from The Trophy Shop
  - Try to get them next week but we need them in May so we can close the books
- Increase PTSA Membership – perhaps in August letter/newsletter from Mr. Hauser to all parents/guardians with link to on-line school store's PTSA Membership link.
  - President will get a notice and will share it with Sandi
- Recruiting volunteers to sell spirit wear and PTSA memberships for August 1 – 3rd registration
  - PTSA and the school each provided 2 days of meals during registration this year.
  - Email will go out to the board to make a decision on how many days PTSA will provide meals for registration next year.

### **New Business:**

- PTSA pays for the buses for Senior Fun Day but doesn't want to pay for buses used on field trips. The cost of buses should be included in the overall cost of the field trip.
  - Teachers often collect a few extra dollars as part of the field trip to pay for students who can't afford it.
  - Frank makes the discretionary decision regarding the funding for field trip buses.
- Cougar Cache end of year – Credit card machine and cash box will be locked up in the school safe on the last day of school.
- Board Transition –
  - Get new Sam's credit card for Cougar Cache – add additional user M. Vandergon
  - New and old President and Treasurer – meet at Denali Federal Credit Union
  - PTSA meetings for next year need to be scheduled and put on school calendar, reserve conference room (Amanda Koch) and advise legislators of dates.
- Caught doing good coupons – ten in each teacher/staff mailbox in August. Laura Romberg did this last year.
- Fred Meyer Community Service Reward
  - First Quarter 2017 was \$219 this quarter with members increased from 21 to 28
  - You have to renew this every year – inform staff and parents of the yearly renewal.

### **Next Meeting Dates:**

- TBD