

Service High School PTSA Minutes

September 8, 2015

The PTSA Board Meeting was brought to order at 6 p.m. by President Mary Rosenfield. Introductions were made and Mary read a thank you note from the Spanish Club.

In attendance :

Mary Rosenfield, President	Kerri Scoggins, Vice President
Amy Vukasin, Historian, Treasurer	Sandi Lowther, Membership
Kari Gardey, Secretary	Bright Nygard, Member
Deanna McCreary, Cougar Cache Mgr.	Laurie Dworian, Teacher Appreciation
John Gaskins, Principal	Jeff Turner, for Rep. Millett
Shawn Rogers, Member, former Treasurer	Pam Okeson, Member
Tel Finnerty, Student rep	Kim Morris, Teacher Appreciation
Cathy Easter, member	Grace Abbott, Legislative aid
Eileen Foley, Teacher Liaison	

Minutes

- Minutes from the August meeting were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report

- Shawn Rogers is unable to fulfill the duties of Treasurer, Amy Vukasin has offered to fill in until we can find a new treasurer.

Motion was made to reelect Amy Vukasin as treasurer until new candidate can be found. Motion passed.

- Mary reported that our taxes need to be filed and an audit needs to be completed. Outgoing President Dan Garcia is handling both of these tasks.

Principal's Report

- Homecoming week - game Saturday at 2 pm, 8 pm dance – still need parent chaperones
- Open House – Sept 9th starting at 6 pm in gym, release at 6:30 to visit classrooms, PTSA and Student Government will both have an opportunity to speak
- Construction – going well, Grant Fraser should be done in December
- Stadium – just received a good cleaning, booster clubs need to be aware that they need to clean up in addition to selling food items
- Currently 1,730 students, 142 staff of which 99 are teachers
- Agreed to help with requesting the retrofit of drinking fountains for water bottle refilling

Student report

- Homecoming game will feature Homecoming Court and floats showing different genres of music
- Will start setting up for dance at 3 pm after volleyball has finished in the gym
- Oct 15-17 the AASOG conference will be at Chugiak HS
- Presenting "You are not alone" to the JROTC to teach about suicide prevention

Cougar Cache Report

- Requires 3 parent volunteers each day, doing well with volunteers except on Thursdays
- Earning more money, better selection of federally approved snacks

- New shirts are in
- Discussion on having student groups run the Cougar Cache and take a percentage of the profits. It was agreed to have Student Government try this out to see how this would work, then consider opening it up to other groups. All requests would go through Deanna.

Fund requests

- **\$5000 Principal's Discretionary Fund** – Principal's fund for buses, rentals, uniforms, etc. \$2,500 each semester, this fund is audited every year by the school district, Carolyn Jochens keeps track and could provide an accounting to the PTSA.

Motion was made to approve \$2,500/semester for the Principal's Discretionary Fund. Approved.

- **\$750 Funding for Change of Heart** – Mary Rita Ely has requested this money to pay for freshman and some upper classmen lunches during the Change of Heart training.

Motion was made to approve \$750 funding request for Change of Heart. Approved.

PTSA Membership

- At the Open House we will greet all parents with either a PTSA membership form, or if they are already a member a budget to vote on.
- Currently 149 members, \$400 in donations

Teacher Report

- Teachers had their first faculty appreciation snack today with cheese and crackers and a salmon dip contest that was well received. Prostart students were the judges.
- Eileen will be organizing a monthly snack for the teachers on the same day as PTSA meetings.

New Business

- Mary would like to reinstate the "caught being good" cards which give students Cougar Cache credit.
- She offered up a fundraiser of calendar sales which Tel took to consider for Student Government.
- Teacher Appreciation organizers are considering a potato bar for this semester's lunch. Mr. Gaskins said that it is still not determined which day we will hold conferences.
- Pink Week is Oct 5th. Volleyball will be selling Italian sodas, there will be a pink game at Service on Oct 9th. The Spike Out game will be Oct 27th at South. Making Strides 5K is October 3rd.
- Thank you to Deanna for three days of lunches during registration.
- Request to have the Cougar Cache open during Freshman Orientation the first week of school.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Next PTSA meeting October 13, 2015 at 6pm in the new conference room by the library.