

Service High School PTSA Minutes

November 13th, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm.

In attendance:

Dan Garcia,	Frank Shaffer
Kim Garcia,	Laurie Northey
John Gaskins	Jake Todd
Jeff Turner	Elena Garcia
Deanna McCreary	Ken Schulz
Amy Vukasin	Joanne Hanscom
Jennifer Allard	Gail Anaruk
Judy Lee	Denise Duff
Lori McVay	

Secretary's Report

~ Minutes read & approved.

Treasurer's Report

~ Report presented & approved.

~ Closed out books for last year. Working on audit.

~ October Expenses: \$140 Insurance.

~ Spring request of \$500 for Change of Heart had a mistake and was not paid out of last years monies. So request will be paid out of this years budget.

~ Motion made and approved for Principal's discretionary fund of \$5000. \$2500 for fall and \$2500 for spring.

Principal's Report

~ We are now being told construction to begin in May on "C" hall.

~ New social studies and language arts curriculum coming in the future but details are still in the discussion stage. It will most likely take 2-3 years to transition all students into the new curriculum. We will still have teams and AP classes will not be affected. Some teachers are resistance to the change. We have been told change is going to happen, now we just need to concentrate on the best way to implement the new guidelines for the students/staff/school.

~ Field stadium will be a long step by step process, including community input due to past projects in the school district which had lots of post negative community comments.

Teacher Report

~ A female student from Soldotna has chosen Service High School as her school while going through cancer treatment here in Anchorage. She was impressed with the support of the school for the students and families who battled this health issue last year.

~ Anchorage Daily News reporter, Julia O'malley, is doing an article on the two boys who battled cancer last year and the help of the B Boyz fund raising event.

Student Report

~ Winterfrost dance November 30th. New DJ for the dance.

~ Making spirit week video.

~ Toy Drive in December

~ Breast cancer & anti bullying day coming

~ ASWAG meetings to be held in Tri-valley in April. Will be asking for PTSA financial support.

Cougar Cache Report

~ Mostly staffed now. We do appreciate the great volunteers we have each week.

- ~ New hoodie order placed.
- ~ Sams has been out of many items when our purchasers go to pick up needed items causing our daily inventory to be limited.
- ~ Deanna McCreary requested up to \$500 for holiday gifts for the store volunteers. Motion passed.
- ~ With the new cafeteria remodel (when it happens) the Cougar Cache will be moving downstairs across from the current auditorium.

Old Business

- ~ Thank you received for Change of Heart.
- ~ Thank you from Service Staff for the spirit wear.
- ~ Kim Garcia working on the PTSA website. Receiving assistance from Frank Shaffer.
- ~ Discussion held on developing a facebook page and the benefits.
- ~ Request made and passed for funds for a domain provider for a SHS PTSA website.

New Business

- ~ Change of Heart request of \$1000. \$500 for fall and \$500 for spring. Passed.
- ~ DECA \$500.
- ~ Jake Todd requested funds for incentives for his #4 Credit Recovery Class (#100 students) Approved for \$500.
- ~ Jake Todd would like to initiate information/education nights at SHS for parents as he feels many needs and services are not being met in our community. PTSA highly supports his idea and will provide support as the idea develops and grows.
- ~ \$2500 Activities Principal
- ~ Flags to be checked for damage. Dan Garcia to contact VFW to donate new flags if replacement needed.
- ~ Service PTSA's bylaws have not been updated since 2005. We are in the process to edit and update the bylaws as these are to be done on a yearly basis.
- ~ Frank Shaffer requested PTSA support for another fundraiser idea similar to the B Boyz idea of last year. Would like to get Student Gov't involved too or Seminar Senior Project. Still in the early planning stages more information to follow.
- ~ Future idea of a school golf cart purchase to get equipment & supplies to and from the turf and track events.
- ~ \$500 requested and approved for the pig roast event sponsored by Student Gov't in April.

Adjournment

- ~ Meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm
- ~ Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 11th, 7:00 pm