

# **Robert Service High School PTSA Zoom Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, December 12, 2023**

**Meeting called to order: 6:00 PM**

## **In Attendance:**

Amber Lathrop – President  
Willow Peyton – Vice President  
Liesl Carter – Secretary  
Imtiaz Azzam – Principal  
Yuna Chung - Freshman PTSA representative  
Vera Halim – Freshman PTSA representative  
Marjorie Burr – Staff  
Divine N Jr – student representing AVID

**NO QUORUM**

## **President's Report: Amber Lathrop**

- Sent our survey to staff and got some good feedback:
  - YANA
  - Rifle Club
  - Partner's Club
  - Gender Club
  - Environmental Club working towards
  - Ukraine Club
  - National Honors Society is doing well
- Students interested in freshening up our sign

## **Vice President's: Willow Peyton**

- Need any volunteers
  - Currently only three consistent volunteers
  - A lot of takeovers, but keeping Cougar Cache open with only three volunteers is unsustainable
- How do we get more volunteers?
  - Noticed that parents are all in on their child's booster club, but not interested in the PTSA; how do we change this dynamic?
- Spiritwear sales at basketball?
  - Home games on January 23; girls and boys varsity games

## **Secretary's Report: Liesl Carter**

- Will vote on minutes in January

## **Treasurer's Report: Vacant**

- Amber is filling this roll
- Current balance approximately \$44,000
- Still need to catch up on takeovers
- Will meet with Kelda to go over the budget

### **Cougar Cache Report: Stacey Martin (absent)**

### **Spirit Wear Report: Robin Wittrock (absent)**

- Got the green hoodies; issue with yellow hoodie but working it out

### **Cougar Cup Café Report: Angela Watts**

- More kids coming up and saying they want to help
  - Have a card that explains what is needed (e.g., Kaladi's training, etc.)
  - If we can get three more kids that would be helpful
- Would be great to have three kids per day

### **PTSA Membership Report: Vacant**

- 41 members (5 required for voting)
- Goal: 80 members

### **Alumni Report: Vacant**

### **Social Media Report: Vacant**

### **Reflections Report: Amber Lathrop (absent)**

- Next year's theme: I am hopeful because...
- Have five entries from Arts Department
- Entries due Wednesday, January 10, 2024

### **Principal's Report: Imtiaz Azzam**

- Amazing Department chair meeting
  - Targeting freshmen and if they fail, ensure those students get an opportunity to recover so they don't have to retake over the summer
- With implementation of academies in 2024-2025; we are actually ahead of the game
  - Seminar and BCA will remain
- Lady Wrestler's earned second place
- Student government working on community involvement; perhaps carnival day, sledding event, bonfire or warming barrels
  - Could try to get alumni to volunteer

### **Teachers' Liaison: Christopher Lubken (absent)**

- Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday!
- With the \$5000 we gave the band department he was able to double his funds to approximately \$11,000

## **Student Government Report: Rosie McCrudden (absent)**

- Could we do a Service Arts showcase in the Spring?
- Will has experience doing online auctions, so perhaps that's an avenue to showcase the students' work

## **Student Representatives: Yuna and Vera**

### **Funds Request:**

- Marjorie Burr - staff
  - Focus is school spirit; would like to provide zip up hoodies with design by students for the staff; cost \$38 per sweatshirt
  - Requesting \$4000
  - Tabled until we have a quorum; Amber motioned to table and Angela seconds
- Agenda Planners
  - \$1750 for 600 planners
- Large seasonal cookies - \$1.95/cookie
  - Willow and Angela could do coffees
    - Angela updated google form with room number
  - Don't have enough students to deliver
- Children in Transition
  - Five will definitely graduate
  - Senior pictures – community volunteer is willing to do photos
  - Sweatshirt, yearbook, announcements
- 30 students who will not be getting food services over the break
  - \$1050 of gift cards

### **AVID Class Representative - Divine**

- SHS will become an AVID school
- Reaching out to every student
  - Currently 23 students with 2 tutors
- Students bring in a question that they are having problems with
- Tutors teach skills like how to take notes
- Also had a college and career research activity
- February 23 – AVID trainer coming here
- Nine teachers will go to San Diego to be trained in AVID
- AVID - advancement via individual determination

### **Old Business:**

- iPad covers have been figured out
- Environmental Science bought curriculum during cyberweek sales and maximized their funds

### **New Business/Tasks:**

- School of Excellence – we were able to get our application in on time

- 654 student responses
- Biggest issue – school need to focus on diversity, equity and inclusion
- Standard of measure – speak up for every child
- Second survey in the spring
- Robert Service Day
  - Staff interested in seeing a video
  - Possibly get an alum who went 50 years ago and would be willing to talk
- Student created mural idea
  - Probably cannot be done by student because of the height/location of the mural
  - Professional mural could cost \$30,000 - \$50,000
- Angela and Willow will cover the coffee for the cookie distribution during finals

### **Volunteer Opportunities:**

- Treasurer
- Alumni Chair
- Social Media Chair
- Spiritwear Assistant
- Membership Chair
- Cougar Cache and Cougar Cup volunteers

### **2023-2024 Meeting Dates:**

- Jan 9, Feb 13, Mar 19, Apr 9, May 14, Jun 11
- Second Tuesdays at 6 pm (\*exceptions)

**Next Board Meeting Date:** January 9, 2024

**Meeting Adjourned: 7:06 pm**

NOTE:

➤ Indicates motion