

Prospect High School PTSA

Minutes for May 13, 2008

Call to order: Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Vice President Sue Bianchi

The meeting began with a short welcome and introductions around the room.

Minutes: The minutes from the April 15, 2008 PTSA meeting shall be modified with the following changes:

- In the district report section, second bullet, the word “needs” should be “oversight”.
- In the district report, the date for the start of construction for the performing arts center should be “Dec 2008”.

Motion made to approve minutes as corrected (M Cindy Collins/S Sue Redhead). Motion passed.

The minutes from the March PTSA meeting will be available at a later date.

(Note: at this point in the meeting, Liz James arrived and replaced Sue Bianchi as chair of the meeting.)

Treasurer’s Report:

Cindy Collins reported a balance of approximately \$16,311.99. Income includes proceeds from T-shirt sales and Albertsons/Lucky. Expenses included payment for mini-grants and hospitality for STAR testing.

Still have about \$100 left to spend for mini-grants. Still awaiting some receipts. Projected expenses (includes student support and scholarships) are approximately \$5,300 which will leave about \$11,000 in the account.

Grad night is in the hole about \$2,500 due to RSVP going out of business so they do plan to take the \$500 budgeted to them. The \$2,500 may be returned, but it will take a while. The original goal for the Grad Night account was to leave \$2,000 as seed money for the next class. Essentially the account is short the \$2,000 due to the “lost” deposit. This item will be discussed under new business.

Looking for a date for the volunteer recognition get-together. May consider to have it on the same day as the Grand Awards.

A motion was made by Sue Bianchi and seconded by Linda Neuman to approve the treasurer’s report. Motion passed.

Principal's Report

- STAR Testing complete.
- Working on master schedule for next year.
- New classes will include music theory, jazz ensemble, Chinese, and astronomy. Currently looking for a new chemistry teacher.
- Beginning principal interviews.
- Getting ready for graduation. There will be a later start this year to avoid the heat of the afternoon.
- Projecting 1340 students for next year.
- There will be a 3 year WASC review next year.

Student Report:

- International week is this week and includes a door decorating contest and an international food sale.
- Senior slide show will be next Friday in the quad. It will be shown on June 4 in gym for the rest of the school.
- Sophomores are planning flag football.
- Students plan to wear class t-shirts next week.
- Juniors are having a movie night in the quad on May 30.

District Report

- Developing an emergency phone plan. Current capability includes ability to do a phone blast (18 homes in 10 minutes), but is limited to 10 times a year.
- A proposed grant was approved although the exact dollar amount is unknown.

District Rep Report

- Details on summer projects were provided.
- Leadership charter school is moving to the Leigh campus. They currently have 72 students that live in the CUHSD attendance area.
- South Bay charter is starting up.
- Considering a parcel tax on a future ballot. The district will be surveyed to get a sense of how well this may do.

OLD BUSINESS

Senior Scholarships

- 13 applications are in. There will be a meeting on Thursday to determine the recipients. Sue Bianchi will be presenting the awards at the Grand Awards. Linda Neuman volunteered to chair the committee next year.

PTSA Board

- Slate of candidates is as follows:
- President – Liz James
- Vice President – Linda Neuman
- Treasurer – Cindy Collins
- Secretary – Carl Yanari

- Motion by Kathy Claus to vote in the slate for next year's board. Second by Sue Bianchi. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Volunteer Recognition Awards

- Scheduled for May 29 at 5 PM before the Grand Awards.
- Cindy Collins volunteered to do the hospitality. It was suggested that we not have a cake this year as that has not been popular in the past. Bite-sized desserts will be served.

Grad Night

- A motion was made by Kathy Claus to give Grad Night an additional \$1,000 beyond the original budgeted amount to offset the \$2,500 loss due to fraud issue with RSVP event center. Motion was seconded by Sue Bianchi. Motion passed.

Performing Arts Center

- Currently fundraising by selling seats.
- Need to raise \$10,000 to get matching funds.
- A motion was made for the PTSA to purchase a seat by Kathy Claus. Motion was seconded by Cindy Collins. Motion passed.
- Plaque will read "Parent , Teacher, Student Association 2007-08".

Principal Recognition

- An invitation was made to attend the recognition reception for Rita Matthews at the Campbell Community Center, June 2, 2008 at 4PM. PTSA will cover the \$45 cost to rent the room.

District Rep Thank You

- A presentation of appreciation was made to Pam Parker for being the district representative to the Prospect PTSA this year.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Yanari
Prospect High PTSA Secretary