

Sequoia High School PTSA
Association Meeting
March 5, 2013

PTSA and ELAC enjoyed a potluck dinner in the MPR, then split up for their respective meetings.

Call to Order:

PTSA President Shoko Barnes called the meeting to order at 7:45 pm in Room 50.

Attendees: Sue Anderson, Shoko Barnes, Julie Di Bona, Lisa Duncan, Rebecca Flynn, Alice Henderson, Gaby Knauth, Cecelia Marquez, Betsy Parkhurst, Lisa Pokorny, Marie Salama, Tania Solé, KJ Smith, Elisabeth Stitt, JoAnn Velayo, and Kristine Westerlind

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes from the association meeting on February 5, 2013 were approved as presented.

Statement of Account:

Balance on hand as of January 31, 2012: \$51,857.24
Receipts totaling \$2,265.07
Disbursements totaling: \$2,107.98
Balance on hand as of February 28, 2013: \$53,044.48

Ratified Checks:

1547 SHS Ed Foundation	January 2013 pass-through of Paypal income	\$1,368.00
1548 SUHSD mini-grants	Stadler (\$175.75) and Skiles (\$210.93)	\$386.68
1549 SHS—Robotics team	Robotics mini-grant fall 2012	\$100.00
1550 SUHSD mini-grants	Lisa McCahon NACAC conference mini-grant spring 2011	\$319.00
1551 SUHSD mini-grants	Dodge (\$400) and Slater (\$135.04) fall 2012 mini-grants	\$535.04
1552 SHS—mini-grants	Lisa McCahon NACAC conference spring 2012	\$623.06
1553 Shoko Barnes	basketball concession expenses, class of 2014	\$89.31
1554 Shoko Barnes	supplies	\$15.16
1555 Julie Di Bona	basketball concession expenses, class of 2014	\$23.74
1556 Marie Salama	basketball concession expenses, class of 2014	\$15.99

Motions:

Alice Henderson moved to approve the Treasurer's Report for February 2013 as presented.

Approved

JoAnn Velayo moved to ratify checks 1547 through 1556.

Approved

Summary of Superintendent's Report:

Shoko presented a summary of the Superintendent's report on the impact of the Governor's proposed revisions to school funding on Career & Technical Education (CTE) classes in the SUHSD. Currently, San Mateo County's Regional Occupational Program (ROP) funds a total of 27 CTE sections in the district (around \$500,000). 12 of these sections are at Sequoia. Since ROP gets its funding from property tax (around \$4 million a year), it legally can't spend this money except through a loophole that allows it to fund CTE classes. Governor Brown's proposal would close this loophole.

Nominating Committee Report:

Kristine announced the slate of candidates for the 2013-2014 executive board:

President: Alice Henderson
Exec Vice-President: Elisabeth Stitt
1st Vice President: Gaby Knauth
Secretary: Cecilia Marquez
Treasurer: Rebecca Flynn
Financial Secretary: Anna Sanchez
Auditor: JoAnn Velayo
Historian: Betsy Parkhurst

Voting will take place at the April 9 meeting. You must be a member of the PTSA for at least 30 days in order to vote.

Junior Scholarship Report:

Shoko reported for Lin Chan that everything's on track. Applications are due April 4.

Sequoia International Festival—Saturday, May 25:

Julie and Marie presented a beautiful summary of their plans and a list of action items. The games and food are mostly set. They are in need of more teen prizes, dessert items, and volunteers. The website is www.sequoiafestival.org. Watch for a VolunteerSpot sign-up next week.

Mini-grants:

Rebecca reported that applications are due March 19. A few have already come in. She will announce the approved grants at the April 9 association meeting.

Ed Foundation Report:

Alice presented a summary of an Ed Foundation meeting she attended. They might be able to offset the CTE cuts since the district will be able to pay for our fifth counselor next year.

Treasurer's Report:

Rebecca presented the financial report for February 2013. All gift cards have been sold!

Status of Graduation Activities

2013: Lisa Duncan reported that plans are well underway for Bingo Night on April 5. Sign up to help on VolunteerSpot.

2014: Shoko reported that basketball concessions finished strong with the PAL tournament over President's Break netting \$883. They plan to sell water (students of the junior class) and coffee (on behalf of Safe-and-Sober grad activities) and rent/sell seat cushions at graduation.

2015: no report

2016: Lisa Pokorny reported that they will be serving Chinese food at Bingo Night. The event begins at 6:30pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Betsy Parkhurst, Secretary