

# Sequoia High School PTSA

## Association Meeting

May 7, 2013

Principal Bonnie Hansen gave a recap of the events in April:

- Bingo Night raised \$1,500 for the freshmen and senior classes' Safe and Sober graduation activities.
- Sequoia Stampede was successful; the final numbers have not yet been released.
- Dance show was great.
- Junior/Senior Prom was also great. No one was kicked out. Bonnie didn't attend this year.
- "Our Town" was well received.
- STAR testing is done and might not exist next year.
- Online registration is taking place for the incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders.

She also reported that ATLAS is looking for housing for 3-4 Stanford student interns for 5-7 weeks this summer. They will be tutoring Sequoia students as part of Compass and Team Ascent. Find more information on the Sequoia homepage by clicking "Volunteer at Sequoia" under "Quick Links".

### Call to Order:

PTSA President Shoko Barnes called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm in the library.

**Attendees:** Silvia Acevedo, Shoko Barnes, Deanna Celis, Lin Chan, Julie Di Bona, Andrea Dierolf, Lisa Duncan, Joan Fiser, Rebecca Flynn, Marlena Griffin, Janet Hart, Alice Henderson, Barba Kandarian, Gaby Knauth, Cecelia Marquez, Nancy Melmon, Rosario Mezo, Betsy Parkhurst, Lisa Pokorny, Marina Rose, Marie Salama, Tania Solé, Elisabeth Stitt, JoAnn Velayo, and Kristine Westerlind

### Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes from the association meeting on April 9, 2013 were approved as presented.

### Statement of Account:

Balance on hand as of March 31, 2013: \$53,865.95

Receipts totaling \$1,924.44

Disbursements totaling: \$2,339.86

Balance on hand as of April 30, 2013: \$52,946.67

### Ratified Checks:

1559 SUHSD mini-grants	Fall 2012 mini-grant—Karditzas compasses	\$399.76
1560 Allison Stafford	Spring 2013 mini-grant—calculators	\$100.00
1561 Lydia Cuffman	Spring 2013 mini-grant—World Studies DVD	\$112.95
1562 Steven Wong	Spring 2013 mini-grant	\$380.00
1563 Scott Stalder-Skarmoutsos	Spring 2013 mini-grant	\$215.45
1564 Rebecca Rush	Spring 2013 mini-grant	\$167.73
1565 Karol-Ann Coleman	Spring 2013 mini-grant—mini iPad	\$399.00
1566 FUN Service	Sequoia International Festival—games deposit	\$1,500.00
1567 Elizabeth Gull	Spring 2013 mini-grant	\$200.00
1568 Barbara Morton	Spring 2013 mini-grant	\$200.00
1569 Don Hoban	Spring 2013 mini-grant	\$100.00
1570 Karina Chin	Spring 2013 mini-grant	\$64.97

### Motions:

Alice Henderson moved to approve the Treasurer's Report for March 2013 as presented and ratify checks 1559 and 1570.

**Approved**

Alice Henderson moved to release funds to pay the second installment for the Hornblower cruise (not to exceed \$7,800), the third installment if we sell more than 200 tickets (not to exceed \$7,000), and \$3,000 for the senior brunch.

**Approved**

Lisa Duncan moved to adopt the audit for July to December 2012.

**Approved**

**Recognition of Volunteers:**

Shoko presented beautiful plants to Bonnie, the executive board, and the committee chairs to thank them for their efforts. Alice continued the tradition of presenting customized Barbies to outstanding volunteers whose youngest child is graduating this year. This year, we recognized Lisa Duncan, Pat Krpan, and Barba Kandarian (retroactively). We also gave a big round of applause to Shoko Barnes for serving as PTSA President for the last two years.

**Induction of New Officers:**

Shoko introduced the 2013-2014 officers:

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

Their term begins July 1, 2013.

**Ed Foundation Report:**

Barba reported that SHSEF held a major donor appreciation event at Bonnie's house. They are wrapping up their 2012-2013 campaign and gearing up for next year.

**Teacher Appreciation:**

We have hired a coffee cart for the teachers on the morning of Tuesday, May 28. The end-of-year staff appreciation lunch is Thursday, June 6 from 1 to 3.

**Sequoia International Festival—Saturday, May 25:**

Julie DiBona reported the following:

- We now have a FaceBook presence.
- We still need more volunteers.
- We can most likely use the Sequoia kitchen.
- We have eight clubs signed on, including a chess challenge with Mr. Wong.
- We have already spent \$9,000.
- We have 22 vendors.
- We have sent the VIP invites and the mayor of Redwood City will be attending.
- Watch for volunteer request emails targeted to each class.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Rebecca presented the financial report for April 2013.

**Status of Graduation Activities**

**2013:** Lisa Duncan reported fundraising is done except we hope to be able to sponsor more Grad Night tickets if sales go well. So far we have sold 50 tickets and are able to sponsor 17 tickets. If there is food leftover from the festival, we may be able to use it for the senior brunch and barbecue as appropriate. She is looking for 8-9 chaperones for Grad Night; parents of juniors get first priority.

**Auditor's Report:**

JoAnn presented the audit for July to December 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Betsy Parkhurst, Secretary