

## MINUTES FROM THE 04/07/08 PTA COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:45. The following people were in attendance: J. Dennehy, D. Jensen, L. Caruana, M. Gyzlo, M. Jones, K. LaFiandra, C. Shin, J. Hurban, J. Casey, C. Brew-Mitchell, A. DeRosa, T. Drexler, L. Neuendorf and K. Mart.

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the 3/3/08 meeting by D. Jensen. Seconded by M. Gyzlo. The motion was passed.

### Treasurer's report

All dues and contributions from the individual units have been paid except for ECP dues. Founder's Day was a success, but a few areas need to be reviewed.

\*Founder's Day cost the council \$1,328.36, which was double the budget line.

\*Limit the number of non-paying guests per recipient. One recipient brought 16 people.

\*Raise the cost to \$10 per person.

\*Have more raffle prizes and don't do the 50/50.

\*The high school recipient received an e-mail asking whom she would like to present the award to her.

\*The committee should write up detailed notes on the event so next year's committee has guidelines to work with.

### Council President's Report

The postcard reminder about the budget report has to be mailed out approximately May 13th. Each PTA unit and EASO needs to vote on whether they are supporting the budget. If not their name will come off the postcard. The line about the pool proposition needs to come off. Lucia will reach out to Andy Harnett who prints the cards and ask him if he will donate the postcards. Signs are at OMM office and can be given out after the Council meeting on 4/28.

The candidate's forum will be held on May 5th. Bob Baird has been asked to be moderator. There will possibly be five candidates. April 21<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for candidates to file their paperwork. Both council VP's are not available to run the event, so a volunteer is needed.

The school district has but out a status report on the Bullying Prevention Programs run by the district. What is the cost of these programs? Is the SOS program an anti-bullying program?

For staff appreciation day SOMS, SOCES, and TZHS PTA's all provide food items at the start of school. SOCES PTA does an afternoon event with light food at Casa Mia Manor house. The high school PTSA also provides

something for maintenance department since they are in the high school building. A motion was made by J. Casey and seconded by J. Hurban that council would no longer be involved in the gifts given to the staff on staff appreciation day. The motion was passed. Each unit may give staff gifts if they choose. PTA council will still hang the signs.

The nominating committee needs volunteers.

The date for the installation of new officers for the PTA units needs to be worked out with Dr. Zambito. The pins need to be ordered for the departing presidents.

The athletic code of conduct is being reviewed. Athletes have to sign the code of conduct and follow it for all 12 months of the year. Should all students have to sign the form not just the athletes?

People are needed to sit on the Personnel Interview Committees for the openings for the 2008-2009 school year.

Ellen Jaffe will be the guest speaker at the April 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The Curriculum Council will meet on April 10<sup>th</sup> at 4PM in the SOMS Library.

The Wellness Committee will meet on May 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:45AM at SOMS.

### Unit President's Reports

#### SOMS

Internet safety was presented at the last PTA meeting. Dr. Zambito will present the budget at the next PTA meeting. The dance on March 14<sup>th</sup> was not as well attended as the others. April 17<sup>th</sup> will be the staff against the 8<sup>th</sup> grader basketball game. The open positions on the executive board are recording secretary and one co-president.

#### TZHS

Go Dutch fundraising is still going on. Forty-six pints of blood were collected on March 11<sup>th</sup>. SOCASA came to the March 10<sup>th</sup> PTSA meeting.

The nominating committee is working on the slate for next year.

Scholarship applications from students have been received. Project Graduation plans are underway. Students want to have it at the high school rather than the middle school.

#### SEPTA

Dr. Vincent D'Amico's presentation on March 25<sup>th</sup> was well attended. A representative from DDSO will be at the next meeting

## SOCES

The after school enrichment program ended and was successful. Bingo had a very good turnout. Dr. Zambito presented the budget at the last PTA meeting. The nominating committee will meet on April 8<sup>th</sup>. The next meeting is April 17<sup>th</sup> and may have a guest speaker talk about bullying.

## New Business

Questions were asked as to how the district communicated the co-teach survey to the public. Were they looking for feedback on only the K-5 model?

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 9:48 by M. Gryzlo and seconded by D. Jensen.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Mart