

Minutes of the
Point Loma High School PTSA
Wednesday, October 11, 2006

ATTENDANCE: 23

PTSA President Kris Barry called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. and asked that everyone fill out the volunteer hours on the form located at the front of the library.

ASB REPORT: Stacey Silverman, ASB Representative announced that the Homecoming will be held on Friday, October 27, at the Sheraton Hotel and Marina. The theme is "On Broadway". The Sheraton is providing the Grand Ballroom along with food, drink and appetizers at a total cost of \$10,995.00. The DJ will be an extra cost. Cheerleaders will provide half time entertainment at the game, and the different classes will perform dances in front of their floats at the end of the game. Due to changes in the field, the students will carry the backdrops out onto the field and dance in front of them after the game. The backdrops will be stored next to the ambulances during the game. Kris asked if any parental support was needed. Steve Hall asked what the cost of homecoming was last year. Stacey thought it turned out to be about the same. Tickets will be sold during lunch and will cost \$20.00 each until the last week when the price goes up to \$22.00. Students are encouraged to bring guests from other schools. In order to do this they need to get contracts from the office and have them signed by an administrator prior to the dance. There will be no ticket sales after Thursday, October 26, and students without ASB stickers will be charged and extra \$2.00. Student journalism major, Daisy Varley asked who is decorating the room and what each class is doing for a musical. Stacey replied that the ASB is taking care of decorating. The following are the musicals each class selected:

Seniors: The Lion King
Juniors: Moulin Rouge
Sophomores: The Wizard of Oz
Freshmen: Grease

Stacey reported that the ASB also sponsors a blood drive, a canned food drive and an Adopt a Family drive around the holidays.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT: Principal Bobbie Samilson announced that the school has received more funding for counseling, second language instruction, and the library. The School Site Council voted to apply the grant to fund classroom technology. This means the program will be 100% funded. There is funding for more teachers and two new counselors. Two counselors have been hired, one a life skills counselor and the other a student counselor who will be on board in two weeks. This will allow counselors to meet with each sophomore and senior individually at least once.

Cox is donating money for the business and technology program that currently allows each student a laptop computer with application software. For those lacking broadband access, Cox will kick in broadband service.

Projects currently underway include: Scape, the landscaping project; Lightspeed; the music building; and the softball field.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Beverly Navaro reported that September was a busy month with Kickoff and Membership and all the accounts have yet to be completed. She will have all the figures by next month's PTSA meeting. Debbie Glanz has put all the forms for membership on line.

Kris Barry reported on the Rancho's Catering bill for the new student/parent dinner. The bill was in excess of the budget by \$1,866.32. The Foundation has agreed to cover half and the PTSA executive board agreed to cover the other \$332.32 above the budgeted amount. Kris reported that next year there will be a change in the program making for lighter fare and pre selling tickets at MAD days to get an idea of the numbers attending. She suggested better communication with the Foundation, and also creating a new board position for the incoming student/parent dinner. The PLHS Web page will have a description of the job for anyone interested.

Membership and Kick Off wrap-ups will be given next month.

CLASS SPONSORS: The '07 Sponsor was not present. Kris reported that the '08 class continues to sell items and has paired up with two new sponsors, Flowers of Point Loma that will donate 10% back to the school and Vicky Haye-Roberts who owns Southland Auto Body and will donate \$25.00 back to the school for every \$300.00 spent by a Point Loma family. Salon Soule will donate 10% of any hair care service back to the school. Kris mentioned that two new fund raising opportunities came in from a handbag/jewelry business and for holiday greens from Sherwood Forest Farms. The merchandise for each class can be viewed and purchase on line.

There was no sponsor present for the class of '09. Maureen McGrath reported that the class of 2010 sold \$300.00 worth of spirit wear at Kick Off. Marie Calendar Pie gift certificates will be available.

Kris asked about whom to contact for direct solicitation mailing labels. Jo Ellen Archer is the staff contact.

COUNSELING REPORT:

COLLEGE NIGHT: Head Counselor Laurie Hurl reported that College Night is on Thursday, October 12. Chancellor MaryAnn Fox from UCSD will speak and field question in the PAC at 6:00 P.M. and 55 college representatives will be in the gym from 7:00-8:30 P.M. All grades are invited and organizations and sponsors are welcome to set up tables. A rotary dial message went out to families earlier in the week.

DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS: The organization that helps students with scholarships will be having their annual fund raising walk on November 4. Donations can be made on the web site and be designated to the Ocean Beach area so that the funds raised will go directly to PLHS students. Students are encouraged to apply for grants and are encouraged also to participate in the walk. PLHS Cheerleaders attend and the band plays. The school with the best participation gets an extra \$250.00.

PSAT: 100 Juniors have signed up to take the PSAT on October 18. All teachers have a list of student taking the test and proctors from specific classes will be helping. All sophomores take the test. Be sure to have students prepared and rested.

Kris Barry announced that there is another College Fair at the Scottish Rite Center on October 19, from 6:00-8:00 P.M. Laurie Hurl mentioned that college reps come to campus during the fall semester and speak to students individually or in small groups.

NEW BUSINESS: Matt Spathas discussed On Line Tutoring that is provided by the San Diego City Schools and the San Diego Library. He is seeking funding to make the program available to all students in San Diego. He is asking for \$2,500.00 from the PTSA to reach the goal of \$35,00.00 more needed to completely fund the program. Kris Barry will investigate the feasibility of donating the money for that program. All students have free access once it is up and running compared with the \$35.00 an hour fee

now charged. The tutors are qualified and available to students from 1:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. daily.

PARENT POINTER PRINTING: Terri Thompson has offered to take over the printing and mailing for a total cost of \$4,000.00. A discussion of the executive committee will consider this attractive offer. The Pointer mailing will occur on Friday at 3:30 P.M.. All available people are asked to help assemble and mail.

BUICK GOLF FUNDRAISER: Kris Barry has acquired 200 tickets for PTSA to distribute and sell. All proceeds go back to the school. Tickets cost \$15.00, much less than the street price. A plea was made to help sell the tickets.

The PTSA still needs to find an Outreach Representative.

E-SCRIP: Please register your number with escrip to raise money for the school. Contact Pat Baker of the Foundation if you have any questions.

Cynthia Conger suggested videos be made of the Zeiger Show as a way to raise money through video sales. She suggested creating a class for video production.

Laurie Hurl asked Kris Barry to suggest that a Parent Pledge be sent out to parents to encourage drug and alcohol free events in homes and at parties. A discussion about how to get those contracts out to parents and who will collect and report them produced many good ideas about distribution of the contracts. One contract will go out in Parent Pointer for Friday's mailing.

The next meeting dates were announced and the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 P.M.

ATTENDING:

Sandy Silverman	Beverly Navaro	Cynthia Conger
Roz Hafner	Maureen McGrath	Bobbie Samilson
Diane Wilson	Stacey Gomes	Sally Todter
Steve Hall	Tania Swain	Leslie Hanna
Cheryl Louie	Roz Reyes	Kris Spathas
Leslie Rose	Stacey Silverman	Ruth Rappaport
Kris Barry	Carol Pekin	Marilyn Tuover
Laurie Hurl	Marianne Blackmar	Matt Spathas

