Point Loma High School PTSA Meeting Minutes February 7, 2007

Attendance: 21

Call to Order: 6:10

Kris Barry explained the change in meeting dates resulting from calendar changes and holiday dates.

Approval of minutes from December meeting moved by Bobbie Samilson, seconded by Linda Jaros. December minutes approved.

ASB Report: Shanelle Watkins

ASB Ball is February 24 at the Westin Plaza Hotel. Parking will be by Valet or at Horton Plaza. No date is necessary.

Blood Drive is this coming Friday, February 9. A good turn out so far.

Valentines Grams are selling well.

ASB is looking into replacing the stereo system for the quad area. A demo system will be tried on Friday. ASB's is budget \$5,000.00, but they are looking for the best bid. There is a contact at Silver Gate Elementary School who might provide a good price.

Beth Coyne asked about the ASB contribution to the Student Planner funding which will be investigated.

Administration Report: Bobbie Samilson

Two exciting awards have been bestowed upon PLHS faculty.

John Dally named music director of the year. Coach Hastings named football coach of the year.

Lester Arnold was filmed by local news signing with Colorado State where he will play football.

There have been several training programs for online resources.

Alan November will come and speak to the cluster about "Is your child ready for the 21st Century". All are encouraged to attend at Correia Middle School.

The History department is hosting a debate on the Iraq War on February 15th. Political Science professor Luna, Mr. Mitrovich, and ex PLHS soldier who served in the First Gulf War, and an embedded reporter will speak.

Dog Sniffers program will be coming to PLHS as long as the School Board gives approval. The vote occurs on the 13th and the dogs will come the following week to demonstrate how they search out drugs in lockers and other areas. Students will be made aware on the initial visit but not of the five subsequent visits. The goal is to deter students from bringing drugs onto the campus.

Treasurer's Report: Vicki Shepperd-Chin

\$7,800.00 came in from Kick Off. \$11,000.00 came in from the Membership Drive, some of which was sent to the District to pay required dues. Overall the profits are up from last year.

Expenses: some of the funds from Gifts to the School have been spent, but the Gifts and Grants committee needs to meet to decide how to allot the remaining sum.

Class accounting has been straightened out. Kris asked that everyone doing class related fund raising keep very good records in order to keep the accounting clear.

Vickie asked that the board approve January checks. Leslie Hanna moved to approve the payment of the checks, Marianne Blackmar seconded. The payment of January checks was approved.

New Business:

Outreach position: Sue Delira has been continuing to attend the Cluster ELAC program meetings where principals from each cluster school go to St. Jude's Shrine of the West to communicate with the families who attend the cluster schools from that 92103 Zip code. She asked that a new member come along on the next March 27th meeting to learn about the outreach and to take over for her. The meeting will be a pot luck dinner beginning at 6:00 P.M.

Student Planners: Beth Coyne reported that the planners have been paid for in this budget year, but that there needs to be some way to pay for the upcoming year's planners. It was decided that the ASB would pay the first invoice in April and the PTSA will pay the second invoice in August. In order to receive the discount, a commitment needs to be made soon. Vicki reported that payment was made on August 14th last year. Beth will contact Debbie Glanz to discover the best way to arrange payment.

Foundation Report on VAPA (Visual and Performing Arts Showcase): Pat Baker Open House at PLHS on April 14th from 1-4 P.M. will showcase drawing, painting, ceramics, computer graphics created by students and alumni in the library. The Performing Arts Center will showcase drama, dance choir, and student films. Several classrooms will focus on film or graphic arts, and there will be a chalk drawing contest open to all students. The goal is to promote the arts and to perhaps give some funding to the arts programs. The suggested donations of \$5.00 per adult and \$2.00 per student will hopefully cover the costs and leave some for the program. The Foundation is looking for a sponsor for the art and design of a brochure that will be distributed for publicity.

Pat asked for assistance in promoting the event. Follow up with elementary schools and distribution of flyers in the community will be appreciated.

Volunteers will be needed to assist with the day of the event. A clipboard was circulated for those who can sign up.

Nominating Committee: Kris asked that people sign up to help nominate next year's PTSA Board. A sign up sheet was circulated.

Congresswoman Susan Davis is looking for school-themed artwork for her office in Washington D. C.

Dana Middle School is holding an opportunity drawing for a VW Beetle that will raise funds for 30 laptop computers. Tickets are \$25.00 each.

Tea-Upon-Chatsworth is offering a 20% contribution to the marching band from scones purchased during the month of February.

San Diego Credit Union is looking to become more involved as an active partner at PLHS. Suggestions were made about how they might be involved in accounting and the International Business classes, offer finance lessons, or offer internships.

Class Sponsors:

Seniors: Vicki Shepperd Chin said that the senior parents will be meeting monthly to plan the graduation festivities. Grad Night is at Kearny Mesa Bowl. A solicitation letter will be sent out.

Juniors: Kris Barry reported that fund raising is going well. The Juniors will be selling flowers for Valentine's Day.

Sophomores: Linda Jaros reported that they have yet to raise a lot of money. They will be selling license plate frames along with the smaller items already available. They need to work out problems with the solicitation letters.

Freshmen: Maureen McGrath said that they have yet to do a solicitation letter. Some merchandise was sold at the basket ball game. Profits went to pay for the class of 07's sweatshirt stock.

MADD days: Bobbie Samilson said that the administration wants to move MADD days up a week in order to allow teachers to prepare and to get the numbers of last minute students down. They are fielding ideas on how to be more efficient in distributing paper work for registration.

The next PTSA Meeting is scheduled for March 14th in the library.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 P.M.