

**PLHS Pointer Association
December 9, 2010 Board Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Submitted by: Julie Johnson, Co-Secretary**

In attendance: Tania Swain, Julie Johnson, Lisa Stapleton, Barbara Meserve, Michael Dolphin, Kim Jessop, Judi McQueen, Renatte Adler, Ian Law, Andrea Justus, Leslie Chinman, Bobbie Samilson, Kevin O'Beirne, Scott Barnett, Kevin Gormly, Justin Otsuka.

Meeting called to order at 6:20 pm.

Minutes and agendas are circulated and posted on the PA website.

Introductions and General Business – Kevin O'Beirne: Donations to the PA - A generous donation from the "Cramer family" – the current students' grandmother gave \$3,000 to be used at the principal's discretion. The local Optimist Club donated \$500 to the GALA.

Gracious appreciation letters were received from Bobbie Samilson and Laurie Hurl to the volunteers for all of the work done for the GALA and college night.

Kevin acknowledged Pat Baker for her commitment and efforts to the eScrip program. Her last child graduated 3-4 years ago and she still works tirelessly for this program. Usually \$6-8,000 is generated each year. This year's projection is closer to \$11,000 with all of the additional people who have signed up. Pat continues to spend her free time at PA events, signing up people for eScrip, including a recent baseball boosters event.

New School Board Member - Scott Barnett: Introduced to the PA and attended the meeting. Had kudos for the cluster; give power to schools and away from school board; wants to support the cluster and individual schools. Task force – School board should not hire "consultants"; has a new idea for "Tiger" teams to focus on – what's the district's mission/are we doing it the right way.

Kevin asked the PA members to consider the following questions for the New Year:

- "How" Gala funds should be allocated?
- "When" should Gala funds be spent? Set aside allocations for non-Gala years?
- "What" other PA fundraising projects in non-gala years?
- "What" is the direction for the Pointer Association? What are our objectives and what programs should we support?

Vote to approve November 18, 2010 PA board meeting minutes as presented without amendments. Motion: Renatte Adler, Second: Barbara Meserve. Motion passed unanimously.

Principal's Report – Bobbie Samilson: Shared that Eleanor Snyder, Andrea Justus and Maria Gibson were named volunteers of the month by SDUSD for their tremendous work on the GALA!

“Picture yourself as a Pointer” is Jan 13th. Hopefully, 400 students from Correia and 60 from Grant will attend.

New Family Night is Jan 20th – Andrea had an idea for fundraising pictures for that night.

Pointer pup, the new statue – recently had a Santa hat on! The PLHS students are respecting and taking care of the new campus addition.

ASB President's Report – Justine Otsuka: Blood drive December 8 was successful. The food drive was also successful - ~800 cans donated, which is enough to feed 81 families. Adopt a family program underway to support ten local families.

V.P. of Programs Report – Renatte Adler: Meets with the principal 1 or 2 times a month. Make sure you read “Principally Speaking” for all sorts of information from the principal! AAA for Success and PA contributions are still forging ahead. Renatte will be working to identify new funding needs for the AAAs in January and February.

January meeting with Exec Board to discuss supporting new student clubs. New debate club and other clubs all need support and volunteers. How do students hear about new clubs? Currently, students hear about clubs in the bulletin or posted on the web site. Hopefully, a new PA system next year will announce to all classrooms. Great idea raised about using FACEBOOK or texts to let students know about new clubs etc.

Treasurer's report - Barbara Meserve: \$385,000 total assets in our accounts; \$334K earmarked funds; \$51K in PA discretionary funds.

GALA final report: \$40,000 was raised. Approximately \$8,000 goes to various booster clubs and the remaining \$32,000 to the PA general fund. Pointer store, baskets, auction all went well. Need a permanent store to sell all booster materials.

Athletic Boosters Report – Eleanor Snyder: There are now 18 booster clubs with the latest addition of wrestling. Gearing up for Jersey Night in January for the winter sports. Working to get the official Dog Pound section at the games. Trying to get all students to come to the games.

“Take back the stadium!” project. Multi-group project to spruce up the stadium and increase school spirit. Have a band section, student dog pound, visitor section – go Pointers! Preliminary estimates obtained for paint and supplies.

Vote to approve PA funding of \$200 for paint and supplies for the “Take Back the Stadium” project. Motion: Eleanor Snyder, Second: Kim Jessop. Motion passed unanimously.

Weight Room Project Update – Kevin Gormly: The Jimmie Johnson Foundation approved the PLHS request to redirect the \$90,000 grant funds to equip the building with weights and not to build the building. The district has agreed to build the weight room building and cover the costs through Prop S. The building is expected to be constructed beginning in summer 2011 and completed by fall 2011.

The related project to build bathrooms and a concession stand is expected to be completed by 2014.

The newly constructed building on Chatsworth opens January 3. Will be named the 1000 building and will be the new history and sports medicine building.

Roundtable - Tania Swain: Gifts & Grants will be initiating the spring solicitation in January. [Tania and her committee did a great job with the fall campaign!] From the fall solicitation, the 21st Century Grant did fund the t.v. monitor requested by the counseling department.

Andrea Justus: GEAR UP funds (the grant that is currently with 9th grade students through their 12th grade year)... UCSD volunteer hours will be matched by money from the grant and used by the school.

Meeting adjourned 7:20 pm