

**Point Loma High School – Pointer Association
General Session and Board of Directors Meeting
Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2017, 6:00 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted by: Donna Schmidt, Secretary

In Attendance:

PLHS PA Officers:

Scott Deschenes, VP of External
Donna Schmidt, Secretary

PA Board of Directors:

Nicole Taylor, Boosters Director
Tiffany DaSilva, Communications Director
Becky Rhea, Activities & Projects Director

PLHS Representatives and PLHS Staff: Sarah Brandl (Counseling), Amy Denney (Faculty), Christina Pickett (JROTC)

PA Community: Julie Morgan, Connie Tepper, Gina Vargus, Emma Hosmer, Kate Lubsen, Bridget Holtkamp, Gina Vargus, Kathee Weisenberg

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 6:07 p.m. by Scott Deschenes, VP - External. It was noted that a quorum of the Board of the Directors of the Pointer Association was not in attendance (only 5 of 11 present), therefore, no motions nor official actions would be taken at this meeting.

I. Introductions and General Business:

Introductions: Attendees introduced themselves to the group.

Meeting Minutes: The meeting minutes are uploaded to the digital filing cabinet. The meeting minutes of the PLHS PA, dated October 9, 2017 and October 23, 2017, will be reviewed and approved at the December 11, 2017 meeting.

Pointer Priorities: Brita may donate hydration stations to PLHS and a new projector the Performing Arts Center has already been purchased with ASB funds. There is a need for benches, trashcans, and tables for the quad area, and a quote for this Pointer Priority will be put together as a next step toward purchase. It was recommended that security cameras be installed where the hydration stations will be located to deter vandalism.

Open Positions: Key PLHS PA Board of Director positions that have remained open throughout the 2016-17 school year and again for the current 2017-18 school year, were noted including Fund Raising Director. Other positions which will be open for 2018-19 include PLHS PA Assistant Treasurer (deposits), PLHS PA Secretary, and PLHS PA Auditor. The PA Board of Directors and others were asked to take a more active role in networking to help fill these positions. Emma Hosmer submitted her name for consideration for the Assistant Treasurer position and this will be forwarded to Tom Xito, Treasurer and Terri Webster, Assistant Treasurer.

II. School Reports

Principal's Report (Hans Becker)

- No report

Faculty Representative Report (Amy Denney)

- A Club Fair will be held on Thursday of this week during lunch – all clubs were invited to set up a table to promote their clubs to students on campus.
- Pep Rally to be held on December 8.
- JROTC will be holding their month-long annual food drive with ASB support.
- Blood drive will be held on campus on December 13.
- Mention of team advancement and upcoming Football and Field Hockey CIF games along with Women's Volleyball – Division III – competing at State level.
- Acknowledgement of the PLHS Women's Golf Team which won the 2017 League Championship and congratulations to freshman Lauren Gomez who was 2017 CIF Champion.

ASB Report

- No report—see Faculty Representative Report

Head Counselor Report –Sarah Brandl

- Second semester Mesa College “yellow forms” due.
- Counselors will be meeting one-on-one with students in coming weeks, beginning with Seniors. They will call students to the office by English class.
- “New Family Night” will be held on January 11, for incoming freshmen or transferees and their parents to understand what it is like to be a pointer, to learn about the different classes, core classes, electives, and advanced classes.

Athletic Director Report (Alex Van Heuven)

- No report—see Faculty Representative Report

III. PL Cluster Schools Foundation

Julie Morgan attended the meeting as a representative of the PL Cluster Schools Foundation. She covered the following topics and plans to regularly attend Pointer Association meetings to encourage communication between the organizations and future attendance from the PLHS community at the PL Cluster Schools Foundation meetings. Their meeting notes are shown below.

Presidents report

- Working with the Board of Ed about cluster start times. Executive board is looking for direction from the district about parameters. Will resume discussion after this is received.
- Timeline for Teach 20 topics. Exec board has put together an implementation plan around parent events. Major topics: Student Engagement and Learning from Failure. Budget discussion forthcoming. Forming a Teach 20 ways and means committee: find speakers, determine costs and format, find funding, etc. Sign-up sheet distributed.

Teach 20 -- Parent engagement

- Teachers and parents share success strategies for student and parent engagement from lower to upper grades

<http://sdusdfamilies.org/high-impact-home-strategies/>

Kimmie Lochtefeld

- LCAP and budget impact process

Dario - Budget and finance

- \$47M deficit projected for 2017-2018. Will probably change due to factors:

— retirement actuals

— enrollment actuals

- District is asking for feedback: 2 surveys will be released later this week (from department chairs):

— budget survey (lengthy)

— LCAP survey. Qs: Which programs work? Which don't make an impact? What are missing?

<https://www.sandiegounified.org/what-lcap>

Round table

- PL Library representative announced promotions:

<http://sandiego.librarymarket.com/>

- Susie: No TB tests needed to volunteer (rules changed).

- Susie: Coffee with the Cops.

- Susie: Pop Warner high school at Lincoln on 11/19.

- Hans: PL likely CSF hosting Oceanside on 11/17.

- Jamy: Scaling back homework and "disconnecting" for better at-home engagement. Playtime, Downtime, Family Time.

- Marco: OB harvest festival was a huge success.

IV. Treasurer's Report – (given by Scott Deschenes)

- The PA financials for the period ending 10/31/2017 were submitted.
- It was noted that information about how Amazon users can designate the PLHS Pointer Association on Amazon Smile as a fundraising strategy was researched by Melinda Albright and sent out by Communications in the e-Blast and on other social media channels.

V. Bite of Point Loma – Becky Rhea

- Becky Rhea met with former Chair of the Bite of Point Loma, Karen Duvall Meyer. From this meeting, Becky prepared and distributed a timeline and tasks to plan and execute the annual Bite of Point Loma event. After reviewing the calendar of upcoming events and discussion, the date of Tuesday, May 1, 2017 was selected for the 5th Annual Bite of Point Loma so required permits and reservations for the Liberty Station location can be made. Becky was thanked by all for taking the initiative and lead to put this together. Discussion ensued about future Bite of Point Loma Kickoff meetings – to get volunteers to help with this event – and it was agreed that they will schedule them to be held at the beginning of the monthly PLHS Pointer Association meetings at 6:00 p.m. over the next few months as a means to organize and get volunteers to help with the event. The Bite of Point Loma page on the website will be updated and an e-blast will go out. We will request Emma Hosmer, Volunteer Chair, to send this information out to our list of volunteers.

Director & Chair Reports (Internal)

VI. VP Internal Report – Melinda Albright

- No report

Activities & Projects Director – Becky Rhea

- Discussion was held regarding girls' bathrooms on campus related to locks on stall doors, inoperable dispensers, etc. Amy Denney noted that ASB did a walk through and submitted work orders earlier in the year for these types of repairs but it was noted that there are still problems. Amy will forward her documentation to Becky.

Several attendees provided input and Becky Rhea agreed to compile comments and concerns. Smoking in girls' restrooms was identified as a problem in Building 200 and the reputation that girls bathrooms are a "safe haven" for prohibited activities since there are no female security guards on campus who can enter and monitor them is pervasive. Some girls were reported to not even be willing to use on campus restrooms.

Anyone with feedback about this topic should e-mail Becky Rhea at this e-mail: rebeccarhea17@gmail.com. Becky may schedule a walk through with Amy Denney and/or PLHS representatives to view girls' bathrooms to determine what is needed to restore them in good working order and so girls feel safe in restrooms, can lock the bathroom stalls, etc.

Boosters Director – Nicole Taylor

- Discussed the fact that she has a contact and is working with a significant donor who is willing to help fund the cost to resurface/repair/replace the girl's softball field. She is managing the donor but is waiting on quotes from a vendor and indicated that she wanted to move forward with this project and she will follow up with Brant Brockett and Principal Becker who need to provide her with the scope of work and quotes.
- Most of the 2017-18 contacts for Boosters have been received and the webpage listing Booster contacts has been updated. Many Boosters are following up with her to get their current or updated Bylaws submitted as requested.

Campus Facilities Director – Gary Komo

- No report

Protect Our Pointers Director – Pam O'Toole

- No report

Scholarships – Andrea Loewer

- No report

Volunteer Programs Chair – Upcoming Activities – Emma Hosmer

- If PLHS faculty and staff members need the help of those who have volunteered or will volunteer to come on campus to assist with different events or projects, please e-mail Emma Hosmer at plhsvolunteers@gmail.com.

Director & Chair Reports (External)

VII. Vice President of External Report – Scott Deschenes

- No report

Gifts & Grants Chair – Gina Vargus

- Update provided on the Gifts & Grants program--\$15,000 available. The program is on-line this year and communications to PLHS faculty, staff and heads of programs was delayed. Therefore, the deadline was extended several weeks to allow for additional applications to be received.

Director of Communications – Tiffany DaSilva

- Noted that the social media channels for Facebook, Twitter and Snapchat have been updated for the Pointer Association. Tiffany was thanked for taking the lead on this project and moving it forward so quickly.

Alumni Association Director– Kim Jessop-Moore

- No report

VIII. New Business, Roundtable, Announcements

- Donna Schmidt reported that five donations of exercise equipment for the PLHS Faculty/Staff Gym Workout Room in Building 300 have been made by the PL/OB community through a listing on NextDoor. Donna and Gary Komo have coordinated the pick up, delivery and set up of equipment. Donation letters have been sent to these generous donors.
- Discussion of funding of coffee for the PLHS office. No action was taken.
- Discussion of updating ByLaws to include change to wording/verbiage about the Pointer Association making a good faith effort to comply with PLHS and SDUSD policies and procedures. No action was taken.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Upcoming Pointer Association Meetings (held in PLHS Library), 2nd Monday of each month:

December 11, 2017 January 8, 2018 February 12, 2018	March 12, 2018 April 9, 2018 May 14, 2018 Date TBD for June 2018 End-of-Year Party
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