

## **Friendswood High School PTO Meeting November 3, 2016**

Meeting was called to order at 11:48 by Tammy Lewis. There were 17 members in attendance. Board members in attendance: Tammy Lewis, Celine Wilson, Marcia Hamm, Laura Couillard, Kristi Carpenter

### **Campus Report**

Mark Griffon discussed the following events happening on campus. Please refer to the FHS website for a full list of activities.

- Choir Dinner this Friday @ 5 p.m. before football game. Pink Out & Senior Recognition night. Army Golden Knights are parachuting in for National Anthem. If we win, we will host first playoff game on 11th here at FHS
- Veterans Day on 11/9. Activities planned for students
- Red Ribbon Week - Had several groups go to Westwood Bales Pep Rally to promote drug free awareness
- Choir & Band - received superior ratings. Band will be participating in several contests
- Tennis - won bi-district, lost area round
- CC - Boys won district championship, Girls finished second
- Golf - Fall season is beginning. Girls won Dobie tournament. Boys have new coach
- Swim/Dive team - Clearbrook Nov 3rd
- Volleyball - In playoffs, but lost in bi-district
- Basketball - season begins this month
- Soccer - Received academic and athletic achievements

FHS PTO Meeting will be held at new FISD Museum next month (Dec. 1st @ 11:45a.m.)

Jann Davies - PTO Canvas page created to reach out to teachers to keep informed. Puff Pastry fundraiser for Best Buddies (\$14/box) Order for Christmas!

Saturday is Fall Festival (11 a.m.-2 p.m.) at the Transition Center. Silent Auction items, Dunking Booth, etc.

October 2016 minutes were distributed and discussed. Approval of the Oct 2016 minutes was motioned by Dawn Barta and seconded by Laura Couillard. Unanimously approved.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Laura Couillard distributed & discussed line items on the current budget. Issues resolved from previous month. Ending balance is \$24642.72. Janet Sinopoli motioned, Dawn Barta seconded approval of monthly statement. Monthly statement & Budget will be posted on the PTO website. Discussed last years vs. this years budget.

2016-2017 Budget line items were discussed. Motion to approve 2016-2017 Budget was made by Janet Sinopoli, and seconded by Sangie Gardiner. Budget was unanimously approved. Marcia Hamm encouraged members to reach out to CPA's or any other parents interested in taking over treasurer role for next year.

### **Committee Reports**

*Fundraising & Merchandising* - Rose Presley discussed a potential fundraiser item (rain ponchos in plastic ball). Our cost is \$3.50. Would sell for \$7-8 each. No decisions made yet, just exploring options. Tammy discussed the need for a committee shadow.

Viktoria Levia contacted Serretti Dental & they will donate \$50 back for referrals to PTO & also offer teachers a 10% discount for dental services. Their logo and info will be on our website. They will also donate goodie bags to be used as needed. Rose will contact Dayna Owen to newsflash to the district. Mainstream Boutique in Pearland, Dave & Busters, and La Escondida want to do Spirit Days. Jackie Gibson advised that Maggiano's is looking to host Spirit Nights for area schools. Next Fundraiser meeting will be next week. Date TBA

*Hospitality* - Dawn Barta - Last Friday teachers bday, Deanna Baggett donated cakes. Veterans Day program activities on Wednesday in the library. Hosting breakfast 8:45-10:00. Any donated items delivered by 8:15 please. Christmas Luncheon on 12/15. Hospitality volunteers have been advised that gift cards are needed.

*Webmaster* - Jackie Gibson will newsflash any info needed for any committee. Received a list from Laura Couillard that joined PTO so they can be added to newsflash. Signup sheets for committees are on the website.

*Volunteers* - Dawn Barta needs to contact a few students who need documentation for service hours they performed. Tammy Lewis suggested to keep track of those that volunteered for them to contact her to obtain form.

*Membership* - Janet Sinopoli reported membership students/parents #279, staff & teachers are 114. Microsoft (Patrick) helped with her laptop and discussed ACCESS program being compatible with school's system. Accounting software for future Treasurer needed. Holly Herncall at Westwood Bales recently took over treasurer position and obtained new software so may be helpful to discuss options with her. Membership is about the same as last year.

*Student Success* - Liz King reported amazing response for tissues, hand sanitizer & halloween candy for clinic/classrooms. Counseling organizations know of one family in need, and possibly one more. Will need food gift cards, non-perishable food, etc.

*Academic Banquet* - Sangie Gardiner reported that table decorations are underway. Will need volunteers for helping assemble. Theme is TBA. Thanked PTO Board for allowing volunteers to go on the website to sign up for Art in the Park. Needs a shadow for next year ASAP. Thank you page on the website for donors/sponsors was suggested.

*Behind the Scenes* - Darlene Lucchesi not present. No report. Tammy discussed the committee needs. Guideline wording needs to be revised, so committee needs to meet to change.

*Scholarships* - Pamela Fridye - Scholarship committee meeting tomorrow at 1 p.m. to discuss wording and various items. The increase in Scholarship budget will be helpful.

### **Old Business**

Discussed the urgent need for a volunteers to shadow the following Board positions: Treasurer, Secretary, Parliamentarian. Academic Banquet, Fundraising & Merchandising positions need shadows as well to take over for next year. Anyone interested please contact a board member ASAP.

### **New Business**

College Fair nights - TACRAO College Night 11/8 6-8 p.m. @ Pearland High School  
Culture Night tonight

Projected Budget - Laura and Tammy highlighted some of the income/expense items

No Business donations to date

Spirit merchandise - still need to continue selling at various sports events

Faculty scholarships amount was increased to \$1750

Gifts given to FHS - amount varies until end of the year, based on amounts given throughout the year

PTO Insurance - new expense this year

Technology expense - website domain, software etc..

Athletic Parking Spot - missing sign - Copy Dr. will make a new temporary sign.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:15 motioned by Viktoria Levia, seconded by Cynthia Schexnaider