

FRIENDSWOOD HIGH SCHOOL PTO MINUTES

November 1, 2018

Executive Board: Dawn Barta: President; Jolyn Brand: V.P.; Liz Fischer: Treasurer; Shelia Askeland: Parliamentarian; Aimee Reyes: Secretary; Liz King: PTO Faculty Liaison

Call to Order: 11:50 AM

The meeting was called to order at 11:50 am. A sign-in sheet was distributed and FaceBook Live was initiated. Attending were Dawn Barta, Jolyn Brand, Aimee Reyes, Liz Fischer, Jackie Gibson, Liz King, Terry Janney, Tammy Lewis, Maria Karg, Hillary Rosenthal, Olivia Sims, Mark Griffon, Paige Neumeyer

Approval of Minutes: The meeting minutes from the October meeting were introduced. A motion was made by Tammy Lewis to approve the minutes, and Jolyn Brand seconded the motion. Minutes were unanimously passed.

Campus Reports:

- Mr. Griffon: Thank you PTO for all you do throughout the year. You all do a great job and we are very thankful.
 - Campus wide events: pregame dinner hosted by Choir Nov 2 dinner at 5pm.
 - Girls BB sonic fundraiser Nov 3 during lunch.
 - College/Career night Nov 13 hosted at FHS in cafeteria and both malls 6-8pm. Big night for kids looking at colleges.
 - Nov 15 Jazz concert at 7pm; Jazz band hosting concert.
 - Dec 2 first annual alumnae association style show. Current seniors will be modeling clothes; 2:30 at Ford dealership. Contact alumnae association for more information.
 - Nov 3 LaCrosse boys car wash; Location TBD
 - Last home game is this Friday; band will perform entire show before the competition.
 - Celebrate character is a contagious program continuing fight against drugs and alcohol. Pep rally at Westwood Bales with many students representing the different programs to encourage our younger kids.
 - Choir: 44 earned place on all district team.
 - Band: All superior ratings. The season will close out Nov 3 with last competition.
 - Special olympics were represented at swim team event and won several medals.
 - Debate team won competitions ranking them in the top 10% nationwide.
 - Swim team meet this weekend big 6A team; Nov 13 they take on Clear Lake.
 - FHS volleyball undefeated; next game tonight in Pearland.
 - Football hunt for state playoffs they will need to win the last two games.
 - Hillary - is the program for tomorrow's game is it including any moment of silence for Pittsburgh? Yes
- Liz King:
 - Hospitality requests: staff and faculty are planning an off site holiday gathering and would like to bring gift cards for a drawing. Could the birthday cake be transported to the gathering and Liz will facilitate. Michelle will get the cake to Liz. Hillary - how much for each gift card? It's really what people want to give; any amount is greatly appreciated. Collect 18-36 gift cards. Will also give our 3 per staff meeting each month.
 - Mustang Cares - getting ready to send out requests for Christmas stockings. Liz will reach out to counselors as to how many students will benefit from the stockings. Liz solicits stores, etc and will also buy items for stockings which are given anonymously. Hillary - is there any way to consolidate the requests for gift cards - they are two different groups that signed up to help. Just wanted to make sure we aren't asking twice. Liz: If you would like we can have them collected at front desk which we can keep separate from hospitality.

Secretary Report- None

Treasurer report and Budget:

- Budget is finished for this year. Membership has come up a little bit. Our expenses will start picking up because of hospitality.
- Dawn - have done really well making money with the T-shirts. Have started off the year really well.
- Motion to approve budget by Jolyn Brand seconded by Terry Janney. Budget passed.

Committee Reports

- Academic Banquet (Hillary Rosenthal): Had good momentum from last meeting but wanted to make sure we are available to accept donations online which Jackie will set up. We have the support of the district and alumni for communication. Flyer will be distributed soon. Have a plan to socialize this online and through teachers. We are confident will reach goals. Next step is to meet with Jackie for online contributions.
- We want to give away a 50th anniversary t-shirt and looking for a vendor to underwrite the cost.
- Fundraising (Dawn Barta/Liz Fischer)
 - Kendra Scott: (Dawn) Kendra Scott give back party. It's at their Baybrook store, all we need to do is get 15 people on Nov 28 6-8pm and buy at least one item we will get all the walk in business during that time frame. Great thing for us to do, we would get 20% of what is sold that night. Working with Dayna Owen for help with communication. Invited other school PTOs. Liz Fischer and Aimee Reyes will mention at next JH PTO meeting.
 - T-shirts and Amazon Smile: Second round of t-shirts are two designs on 4 fabrics, both long and short sleeve. Long sleeve are \$25 and short sleeve \$20. This is our second order. Jackie: we have a couple more online. Hillary - Facebook moms fundraiser Friday is tomorrow to post. Many thanks for Jill Hunter that our Amazon Smile account wasn't set up properly but is now working. You can search Amazon to find Friendswood PTO. The only downside is doesn't work using the app. There is a banner on the website. Not sure how often the money is sent; but will keep checking bank account. We currently have two accounts with Randalls and will try to consolidate. Kroger may have something similar and will reach out.
- Hospitality (Hillary Rosenthal)
 - Veterans Program Nov 8 at 10am - tremendous response within two hours all volunteer positions were taken! Ms. Hannigan is working with RSVP and if we have more than 30 we will adjust volunteer needs. Community and families are invited; not just Friendswood HS family or alumni.
 - Custodial Christmas Dinner: lead needed. Other PTOs have been asked for help/money. Dawn has contacted other PTOs with great response for help. Catered BBQ or something brought in. No date set yet but sometime in early December.
 - Faculty New Year Breakfast, Jan 7: Dawn and Liz will lead; have planned grab and go type food provided by LaEscondida; is very affordable. Will be delivered and kept hot for the teachers. Need to ask hospitality members for drinks and fruit.
 - Maintenance dinner held in the spring
- Webmaster (Jackie Gibson) - no report.
- Volunteers (Paige Neumeyer) - no report. Discussion: would like a way to check off the volunteers who showed up at events.

Old Business

- Guest speaker: Possibly Mr. Roher, Mrs. Myers, Mr. Kreiter. Dawn will send email to administration and ask who might be interested and what dates might work. Suggested topics: Strategic planning, 5 year plan, new safety measures - effectiveness and report on how are they working.

New Business

- College Fair night Tues, Nov 13, from 6-8pm at FHS. Signup Genius sent out. Missing a few spots. If anyone is interested in working and didn't get the sign up genius contact Dawn. Food provided by the counselors; we are supplying water.
- Kendra Scott Night Wednesday, Nov 28 from 6-8PM; invite family! Orders can be called in during this time to the store and will be shipped at no cost. Must call the Baybrook location and designate Friendswood PTO.
- If you can't make the college career night there is one in Clear Lake League City. There is a list of colleges on the counselors website.

Next meeting: Dec. 6 11:45am
Adjourned at 12:40.

End of Meeting Minutes