

South Anchorage High School PTSO
Board Meeting
October 5, 2017

Tracy Wayt
Kate Matheson

Meeting was called to order by Kate Matheson at 6:30 pm

Present: Kate Matheson, President; Amy Anderson, Vice President; Tracy Wayt, Secretary; Lisa Mounds-Craft, Vice Principal; Niles Woods, Teacher Representative; Michele Hoskins, Student Store; Gretchen Stoddard, Membership; Tammy Hogge, Hospitality; Frances Jones, CRC; Cindy Ljubicich, parent; Aden Rothmeyer, student; Cliff Murray, Swim & Dive Coach; Noelle Hardt, parent; Kathy Rzeszut, parent; Haylie Hellman, student; Izabelle Bergmann, student; Elias Hardt, student; Rhianna Merriman, student; Dani Cyr, student; Daniel Jeoun, student; Adriana Emili, student; Jacob Matheson, student; Andrew Kwon, student, Dave Matheson, parent, Chad Gassaway, community member

Agenda approved

September 14, 2017 Board meeting minutes approved as corrected.

Presidents report: Kate Matheson, President

Kate thanks volunteer Shawna Parrish for coordinating the Fall All School Breakfast. She reminds everyone of check request process: check requests, complete with receipt(s) and form, can be submitted throughout the month, checks are signed once a month after the PTSO Board Meeting. Therefore, it's most efficient to submit prior to the meetings, otherwise you could wait a while. Looking forward to great month.

Principal's report: Lisa Mounds-Craft in Ms Pondolino's absence – Glad to be attending this meeting. In light of recent events (student deaths in district), ASD requested SAHS host a gathering on grief and loss, presented by hospice. A school-wide email invite will go out soon for the Oct. 11th event. In addition, this event is open to south community. On Oct 23rd there will be a student presentation by the Cook Inlet Tribal Council, regarding suicide. Admin and teachers will see it next week. May request the Peer Mentors help with this, good for them to have / learn the skills. Every Freshman class gets lesson re suicide & suicide prevention.

Student Report: Student Representative, Kya Ethredge absent

Treasurers Report - Kate Matheson in Amy Carman's absence

- Balance: \$20,257.98 (QB balance is 19,000.63 due to outstanding checks)
All 7 mini-grants submitted for this meeting equal \$7,590. Board has awarded \$1,000 to date.
Reminder, large amt grant request are discussed at end of school year, as we can then assess better.
- <see printed report handout '2016/2017 Approved Budget'>

Teachers Report: Niles Woods, Teacher

South's play Macbeth is tonight, tomorrow and Saturday. If you have a free evening, encourage you to go. Teachers have no contract currently. Sides continue to meet to be able to resolve, it's not a deadlock. Hopefully will come to agreement soon. Looking forward to Teacher's luncheon in October.

Committee Reports:

- Membership: Gretchen Stoddard
Currently 386 members. Many that would have expired, renewed. Contemplating having a PTSO membership information table at the Oct 17th volleyball spike out tournament, or at parent/teacher conferences Oct. 25th.
- School store: Michelle Hoskins
Michelle reports on gross sales (GS): Finished September \$12,750; YTD GS at \$28,200. (\$14,600 in apparel / \$13,600 in food). Considering more hats: baseball hats, winter hat (no pom pom) and buffs. School Store will be open for conferences and Volleyball Spike-Out games. Hoping to be open for Rabbit Creek Craft Fair, still waiting to hear from Ms Pondolino.

- Career Resource Center/Bo Seward, Frances Jones -
- Hospitality, Tammy Hogge
Teacher Appreciation Luncheon coming up Oct 25th during parent/teacher conference day. Will use paper products in room. Shawna Parrish making invites. Sent info to put in bulletin to ask parents for donations. Needs to know about drink vendor, Ms Pondolfino was to research. Lisa Mound-Craft will find out and get back to Tammy.
- Emergency Prep – Position still open

Mini-Grant Requests Niles Woods is Mini Grant Coordinator

1. Noelle Hardt – President of SAHS Wolverine Swim & Dive Team Booster Club, requests \$3,000 for purchase, shipping and installation of one competitive diving block. Many team captains and members are present, several spoke on the Teams behalf.
A motion to approve \$3,000 for mini grant made by Tammy Hogge; Michelle Hoskins seconds
Mini-grant approved as written.
2. Aden Rothmeyer – student/founder of Math Outreach Program/Book Club, requests ‘up to’ \$439.20 for purchase and shipping of 40 books, (4 titles, 10 copies each). Aden is here to present.
A motion to approve \$439.20 for mini grant made by Niles Woods; Frances Jones seconds
Mini-grant approved as written.
3. Steve Kemper – SAHS chemistry teacher, requests \$865.42 for four new wall-sized periodic tables (4 different teachers/classrooms)
A motion to approve \$865.42 for mini grant made by Tammy Hogge; Gretchen Stoddard seconds
Mini-grant approved as written.
4. Jacob Matheson, student/Eagle Scout candidate requests \$500.00 to purchase materials and supplies for stadium ticket booth and necessary small retaining wall. Eagle Scout project. Jacob is here to present
A motion to approve \$500.00 for mini grant made by Tammy Hogge; Amy Anderson seconds
Mini-grant approved as written.
5. Chris Backstrum – SAHS science teacher, requests \$475.00 for purchasing various supplies: velum paper, color copies of tables and charts, etc. Also support field trip costs (bus) and travel costs to NOSB competitions (National Ocean Sciences Bowl)
A motion to approve \$475.00 for mini grant made by Tammy Hogge; Frances Jones seconds
Mini-grant approved as written.
6. Krisin Dahl – SAHS Spanish teacher, requests \$810.00 for purchase and shipping of approximately 125 Spanish chapter books
A motion to approve \$810.00 for mini grant made by Niles Woods; Michelle Hoskins seconds
Mini-grant approved as written.

Mini-grant #2 from Sept 14th Board meeting, which was tabled, Student Government’s request for up to \$1,500 for AASG conference fees and travel costs associated with AASG conference. Daniel Jeoun and Dani Cyr are present to provide additional information.

After discussion, Tammy Hogge makes a motion for \$450 for ten ASAG student registrations; Amy Anderson seconds.

Mini-grant approved at \$450

New Business:

Regarding stadium ticket booth, location needs to be determined. Mr. Lindo asked for the PTSO's opinion. After discussion, Board agrees the best location, and recommended by Jacob, is next to the tennis courts. Kate will communicate to Jacob Matheson.

Regarding PTSO website: Some decisions need to be made about the "old" website. The new website is up and running but there are a few problems with the PTSO portion: Mini-Grant requests come through a google doc, but they appear in a spreadsheet which is difficult to read. New website is difficult to find when searching / googling, and at times parents are unable to get to the new site thru ASD. Even someone who knows about the site has a difficult time getting to it - the old site is what comes up. Old site contains out-of-date, incomplete information regarding the school (PTSO info is up to date, however). Kate is hesitant to shut down the old site especially because ASD is looking at changing platforms again in January and we would have another newer website. Kate to ask Sundog if we could add a banner directing people to the new website for school information. Also, possibly we can make our "old" site just a PTSO website.

Lisa Mounds-Craft asks if it would be helpful if other APs came rotating to PTSO meetings? PTSO Board meetings are open to everyone and the APs are always welcome, however, Kate says Ms. Pondolfino is needed when she's available and she can be a liaison to APs.

Activities funding changes may be coming. This will put more of a burden on teams/booster clubs to do fundraising: Question would be, if a team/booster club isn't a non-profit 501 (c) (3), can they do fundraising and keep it? Concern is that not every team has a booster club. Regarding raffles, a gaming permit is necessary. Booster clubs can "borrow" a gaming permit from another booster club if they don't have one. But not all sports have a booster club. There are very complicated rules when it comes to raffles.

Question raised: At Parent/Teacher Conferences, can clubs have table for fundraising or info purposes, etc.?

Adjourned at 8:26 by Kate