

South Anchorage High School PTSO
Board Meeting
April 6, 2017

*Kate Matheson
Tracy Wayt*

Meeting was called to order by Kate Matheson, at 6:31 p.m.

Present: Kate Matheson, President; Kelley Mills, Vice President; Tracy Wayt, Secretary; Kersten Johnson, Principal; Niles Woods, Faculty Representative; Kya Etheredge, Student Representative; Elizabeth Roberts, Membership; Tammy Hogge, Hospitality; Michelle Hoskins, Student Store; Frances Jones, Career Resource Support; Allison Wayt, Peer Mentor representative; Lee Butterfield, Teacher

Agenda Approved

Motion to approve the February Board meeting minutes made by Tammy Hogge, second by Kersten Johnson.

Presidents report: Kate Matheson, President

Flying through the year! May 4th 6:30 is our General Meeting followed by Board Meeting in the SAHS Library. We'll be voting on officers for next year and proposed budget for next year. If you are a chair or on a committee, think about how much funding you need for the event.

Principal Report: Dr. Johnson, Principal

We made it through accreditation. South is now fully accredited. This happens every ten years. Thanks parents for coming to the parent session of the accreditation. Report will be posted on the Advanced Ed website. This is the company that issued the accreditation. It was an extensive process. We received areas of recommendations on 1) Review Mission Statement; 2) Standardize professional development, including a strategic plan; 3) Data Review – how we use the data gathered. Planning on putting a link to the full report in the Daily Bulletin, when available.

Prom went well, no problems. The location worked well (Bill Sheffield Alaska Railroad Depot at the airport). Staff is getting ready for end of year.

Teachers Report: Niles Woods, Teacher

Teachers are focused, everything is going well. Nothing to report.

Student Report: Kya Etheredge, Student Representative

Prom was successful. Raised lots of money for Senior Fun Day for next year. There were about 300 kids; gross was around \$12,000; spent about \$4,000.

**per Kersten Johnson: Prom attendance has been dropping consistently over the last 5 years. Possible reasons discussed: expensive? \$75 couple & \$40 single. Some kids go all out tux, limo, dinner, etc. Possibly we are holding Prom too early? Not enough time after spring break to ask a date and get plans ready. 'South's Got Talent' is on April 11th 7pm. Expecting lots of people, judges are lined up. ABOSS was cancelled due to 2 schools dropping out right before the event. Canned food drive April 24-28 for the Food Bank; Blood Drive beginning of May. April 29th – City Wide Clean up. Giving away 2 iPod shuffles, BBQ after. Plan is to clean up close neighborhoods. Everyone should wear their South Gear.

Student Gov had a great time at ASAAG.

Treasurers Report - Kate Matheson, as Amy Carman absent

- Balance: \$23,520.16
- \$3,600 set aside for Rachel's Challenge was reimbursed to PTSO
- eScrip at Carrs is gone. Fred Meyers has Community Rewards and Community Youth Development. Tracy to research. Lee suggests contacting Beth Vollstedt (parent who has experience with FM programs)

<<see attached Treasurer's report>>

Committee Reports:

- Membership: Elizabeth Roberts - 512 Members
- School store: Michelle Hoskins – at about \$92k YTD, need about \$23k to hit our budget. Now projecting \$105k revenue and spending about \$55k. Asks if we should still order Planners? Consensus is yes. Punch-cards should be for food only. Still need to buy 2 new microwaves. Have about 200 lanyards left. Discussion on possibly giving with new membership at registration this summer.
- Hospitality, Tammy Hogge Preparing for Teacher Appreciation week. Student Gov to make signs, and have them up by 4/30. Handed out flyer with plans for each day <<attached>>.
- Candy Give-away – May 12th is the last one. Rebecca Stedman/Mary Ann Esplin to coordinate. Last day for seniors so it will start early, hand out to seniors first and then to underclassmen at lunch time.
- Bo Seward Award – Frances Jones. Award/Scholarship to a graduating senior for exemplary community service. \$2,500 for recipient and \$500 for non-profit charity of recipient's choice. Friday 4/14 is the deadline for application to front office. Looking for 3 people to judge. Volunteering are Niles Woods, Kelly Mills and Tammy Hogge.
- Senior Events
 - Senior Fun Day – April 28th, 9am-1:30pm, at Fox Hollow, need help. Amy Habberstad in charge.
 - Senior Breakfast – April 28th, 6:30am, need help *Kate to send email for both
 - Graduation Hospitality Room – Tracy Wayt May 15th 7pm.
**Per Kersten Johnson: Service HS is before us, earliest we can get in is 5pm
 - Senior Night of Inspiration – Kate Matheson, date still an issue. Can't use Auditeria on scheduled date, May 15th. Kersten to ask about May 8th and get back to Kate.

Mini-Grant Requests Niles Woods is Mini Grant Coordinator

1. Elizabeth Roberts, South Boys Soccer Booster, request \$1,150 for bus fee to transport students to the Valley for games. Each trip costs \$575.
A motion to approve \$1,150 for mini grant made by Tammy Hogge, Michelle Hoskins seconds.
Approved unanimously.
2. Nathan Levine, SAHS Orchestra, requests \$650 for a classroom recording device, the Marantz PMD 661 MMK II. Can be used in Auditeria also.
A motion to approve \$650 for mini grant made by Tammy Hogge, Kelly Mills seconds
Approved unanimously
3. Brian Sheffield, Life Skills/Special Ed, requests \$300 for food supplies for Life Skills Graduation Ceremony and Reception, May 12th.
Motion to approve \$300 for mini grant made by Kelly Mills, Elizabeth Roberts seconds
Approved unanimously
4. Chris Backstrum, Biology and Marine Biology, requests \$450 for negative balance for biology field trip busses from last fall.
A motion to approve \$450 for mini grant made by Niles Woods, Tracy Wayt seconds
Approved unanimously.
5. Lee Butterfield, Media Dept, requests \$15,000 for 5,000 lumen projector.
Request tabled until next month, allowing us to see how much money we have left over at the end of the year to be moved into the Mini-Grant line item in the budget.

New Business / Open Discussion:

1 -Kate met with business partner Liz, Spice & Tea Exchange. She won the Alaska Young Entrepreneur Award. Our website needs to be updated so that the Spice & Tea Exchange is shown. Kate would like web site to list business partners and what they are offering (discounts, etc.) to our staff and students.

2 -Taking nominations for PTSO positions for the 2017/2018 school year. Elizabeth Roberts has volunteered to Chair the Nomination Committee. President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer are all available. Would like a VP who can make a 2-year commitment, to be able to 'learn the ropes' and then step up for President.

- Kate states she will run again for President
- Tracy states she will run again for Secretary

Suggestion was made to create a 'remind' message to all PTSO members to be able to vote. Lee volunteered to set up and update.

3 - Tammy suggests Teams should promote PTSO, especially those teams PTSO has given money. She also suggests PTSO join Food Service of America to be able to get discounts. (no fee to join)

4 - Proposed Budget for Next Year

Possible line item additions:

- T-shirts for incoming freshmen \$3,000
- Black & Gold Awards, twice a year, \$2,000
- Holiday dinner for night custodians, \$250
- Family Emergency/Tragedy, \$500
- Increase Teacher Hospitality Expenses: Tammy would like an additional \$500.

5 - Some upcoming dates:

April 18th – Freshman Fair. Robo Call Reminder to parents will include info on PTSO/School Store

April 20th – Black & Gold Awards, PTSO paying for food (mini-grant from October 2016)

May 5th – Video Awards, 5-9pm, food trucks, live band, carnival, video presentations and awards.

May 12th – Graduation for Life Skills

May 15th 7pm – Graduation at Sullivan Arena

Aug 7th – 11th Registration

Aug 21st - first day of school year 2017/2018

Adjourned at 9:02 pm by Kate Matheson