

South Anchorage High School PTSO
Board Meeting
March 2, 2016

Kate Matheson
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Meeting was called to order by Kate Matheson at 6:33 pm.

Present: Kate Matheson, President; Audrey Kirn, Vice President; Cindy Ljubicich, Treasurer; Stephani Green, Secretary; Kersten Johnson, Principal; Niles Woods, Faculty Representative; Michele Hoskins, School Store; Elizabeth Roberts, Membership Chair; Frances Jones, CRC Representative; Haley Edmondson, Student Representative; Gretchen Stoddard, and Tracy Wayt.

Agenda was approved.

Motion to approval of minutes of Feb 3rd board meeting minutes made by Stephani Green and second by Kersten Johnson. Approved by board.

President Report: Thank you to Audrey Kirn for doing Candy Giveaway. Thank you also to Kelly Mills and Michelle Withrow for organization of the teacher luncheon and all the donations.

Principal Report: Conferences just finished and went well but had a lower attendance at about 50% for the Spring. Boys and Girls basketball is doing well and we beat East for the first time in School history. Cross country just ended with several individuals doing well this season. The play Cinderella finished last week and was very well attended with the Friday show being sold out. Spring Break is coming up and there will be in-service next Friday. The new volleyball coach is Amy Mathes, she did a meet and greet with players and parents and is excited to be at South. April 2nd is Prom and tickets will go on sale after spring break. The Freshman fair is April 7th @ 6:00 and there will be booths for the parent to receive information. There will be booths for sports teams, the peer mentors and a robo call. Looking into starting to stream live feeds for different programs, sports, plays for next year and what it will take to get a program started.

Student Report: Spring dance on Friday, March 4th, spirit week is currently happening this week. Jaden Fraser has requested more chaperones, about 5 to 6 for a total of about 11. Stress to parents that they need to show up if they commit whether or not their child attends the dance. Chaperones are also going to be needed for Prom and Merrill Luke will be the contact. March 9 is Prom Fashion Show and Fund Raiser for the Junior Class in the Auditoria at 7:00 for Prom dresses. David Bridal and Beka's Closet will be donating both new and used dresses for the runway show. There will be a raffle for tickets to the Prom. The Student Gov't got to tour the Children's Hospital to see how their Chains for Caring donations contributed. South Got Talent is March 24 and Southapaloza on March 26, Mr. Houston the band teacher is in charge. There will be a \$10.00 charge and it will be in the auditoria with the local band Nervous Wrecks playing and south students. Will check to see if the Seniors need money for Senior fun day.

Teacher Report: Thank you very much for the parent/teacher luncheon, the food was good and enjoyable. Nice to see parents.

Treasures Report: See the Treasures Report. Quickbooks is balanced through January. Checking is \$37,594.61 and Money Market \$24,467.87. Taxes are done. Quickbooks is good for taxes and we need to pay for online membership of Quickbooks as soon as we get a credit card. Teacher coupons need to be documented so we can accurately see that they represent a \$1.00. The tax people asked about our donations and not sure how donations were classified in the past. Will look to find previous years for the taxes to see what the donations classified before.

Membership Report: 369 members

School Store Report: Heather Clopton was introduced as the new person doing the Sam's club shopping. \$103,528 YTD, February was \$10,570 in income, and \$1000 at Parent Conferences. The new freezer is up and running in PTSO room. The purchase of the new refrigerator is coming along and hoping to get it during Spring Break. Twitter account is SAHS_store and SAHS school store is on Facebook. Talked to Mr. Arend about the light up sign reader board being used for the school store but he suggested moving the sign outdoors. Kersten said that has been discussed, and maybe to be put in a press box. The weather is getting nice outside and would it be possible to get some picnic tables for outdoors? This could be a good Eagle Scout project or a shop class project but not sure about vandals. There is a space around the outside of school to accommodate the tables and the kids would use the tables. The Board approved \$1000.00 from the school store expenses budget category to be spent on seat cushions and men's black t-shirts because supplies are getting low. The school store will be open April 7th freshmen night.

Hospitality Report: Appreciation week for the teachers, is the May 2 - 6. Principal will take one of the days and will coordinate with Kelly. Maybe one big item will be given to the staff this year.

Emergency Prep Report: On March 25 at 2:15 there will be Emergency Backpack training during the staff meeting.

Bo Seward: The new flyer was created by Frances Jones and got distributed at conferences. Kate is going to speak with clubs like NHS, Key Club, and Peer Mentors at lunch to talk about the award so that we can get many applicants. Need to find a way to attach flyer to the PTSO emails. April 15th is the deadline.

Graduation Hospitality: Tracy Wayt is coordinating with Audrey and Lydia Frankenberger is the teacher coordinator. Set up would be around 11:30 and about 3 people will be needed to help with set up and clean up. Everything is disposable so it is rather easy. Audrey took pictures last year, will send these to Tracy.

Senior Night of Inspiration: Audrey is planning this. It is important that it is inspiring and not necessarily religious. Talking to Mrs. Nelson about the music and figuring out who is singing. Possible speakers -Dallas Seavy, Holly Brooks or Lisa Murkowski. A student will speak. Invocation and benediction could possibly be by John Carpenter and/or Trevor Mullar. Kersten will double check on the room reservation.

Mini Grants:

1-Make a difference Club, asking \$3600, see description: Rachel Challenge Assembly about possibilities and making a difference, she was a victim of the Columbine shooting. Very powerful, during school and then other activities in the afternoon. The last time was 4 years ago. We pay Rachel's Challenge and they fly a person up here, flying, fee for speaker, literature. Cost is \$3600 but trying to do other fundraisers. Motion to table the mini grant request until May by Niles Woods and second by Audrey Kirn. Unanimous with the thought that it would be better to move to fall next school year.

2-Student Government, asking \$1000 for AASG conference in Kodiak. Come and pitch resolutions for the school district, learning and workshops on budgets, suicides and become more aware what else is going on in the state and other school districts. 10 students and registration fees with a \$30 discount for registering early. The students have already attended in the fall, have been doing fund raisers and have paid \$100 individually. A motion to approve \$1000 for the AASG conference registration made by Niles Woods and second by Hailey Edmondson. Approved unanimous.

3-School store, asking for \$1200 for iPad Air that will be compatible with the white register and have a bigger credit card swiper, scanner for inventory and ticket printer, scanning gun. Niles Woods motion to approve the extra funds for the printer and scanner out of the School Store expense in the budget. iPad air being donated by school and Audrey Kirn second. Approved unanimous.

4-DDF, asking \$2500 for cost to compete at 2 separate national events and the entry fees. \$250 per student for sign up and fees. For a total of 10 students. \$180 for one entry fee and \$220 for other National entry fee event. Motion

to fund \$2500 for the entry fees and competition by Michelle Hoskins and second by Cindy Ljubicich. Approved unanimous.

New Business:

1- We need to amend our PTSO bylaws so that we can change the time period for voting on the budget to May. This will give us a budget to work with over the summer when we are getting the School Store ready and for registration. We will vote on the amendments to the bylaws in our May general membership meeting. An email will be sent to the membership in April about the vote. The email will ask members to read through the bylaws and give us any other suggestions for changes, which we will discuss before the vote in May.

2 -Can something be incorporated into the Rachel's Challenge to address things discussed at APD parent night about social media and issues relating to drugs. Information needs to get to the students. Kersten and Make a Difference Club will find out.

Adjourn at 8:37 pm