

## **PVHS PTO Meeting Minutes**

Monday, November 8, 2021

6:30pm

### **In attendance:**

Debbie Ingebretson, Lisa Hoberg, Kim Breland, Principal Deonise, Brandon Kurtz, Christine Brandell, Deneen Sulsona, Melissa Schwartz, Cindy Richards, Gracie Snyder, Melissa/ Blue Orthodontics, Betsy Graber, Jenny Patton, Sameer Malla (ASU student guest)

### **Call to Order:**

The virtual meeting was called to order by President, Debbie Ingebretson at 6:35pm.

### **Secretary's Report:**

October's meeting minutes are posted on the PTO website for people to review. Cindy Richards motioned to approve the October minutes and Deneen seconded, passing unanimously. Copy of the minutes and agenda can be found at [paradisevalleypto.org](http://paradisevalleypto.org).

### **Principal Report / Q&A:**

Thank you for everything! Great job on the online auction. Looking forward to the teacher/staff appreciation luncheon. Gift bags for bus drivers and cafeteria staff were very appreciated. Campus paint job is underway! Will go through February. Funded from school facilities board and previous bond, only made possible by local voters. Homecoming was a huge success - over 800 students, everything went smoothly. Lots of Fine Arts and Athletics successes. Fall sports ending; Winter sports beginning. Ms. Clayton is working to get 700+ AP exams scheduled for beginning of May. ACT will be the new district standardized test for Juniors, ACT Aspire for Freshman. Still finalizing dates. Senior pictures - have to be taken by Grads in order to be included in the yearbook, but no purchase has to be made. Graduation caps and gowns - Jostens is the main vendor (store on Cave Creek Rd, south Greenway), but any black cap and gown is acceptable.

AZ Merit scores were distributed in second block. Students with IEP or 504 accommodations will have to apply for them for the ACT standardized test. Dr. Courson has confirmed that IEP and 504 accommodations should be provided for all PVHS classes, including Dual Enrollment classes, through Rio Salado.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Beginning of October we had \$12,549 in our account. Paypal (membership dues, etc) has been deposited (\$1,263). Across the month we received individual donations, corporate match (thank you!), and Kroger passive fundraising revenue, all totalling \$2,372 in October income. Minimal expenses this month teacher/staff reimbursement and zoom fee. Current balance \$14,921.98 BEFORE auction proceeds. UPC membership dues to be paid. Booster fee invoices will be sent out, along with policies and procedures.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Fundraising: Debbie on behalf of Lori**

See's Candy fundraiser starting tomorrow, ending November 29. Info on web site and will be emailed out.

### **Staff Appreciation: Cindy**

Fall Staff Appreciation Lunch will be 11/10 for about 175 staff/teachers. Lunch will be set up and available by 10:30am. Thank you to Blue Orthodontics for providing all the sandwiches and a salad. The volunteer/donation sign up is going well. Next luncheon is December 16 (early release). "Favorite Things" list (favorite: salty snack, sweet snack, classroom supply, etc) was distributed to staff/teacher's (over 90 responses). Discussion around how to publish/share with families. All agreed to have the list sent out by Mr. Deonise several times a year and get additional advice from him on additional ways to provide access - maybe a form or contact email on the web site to request the list.

### **Communications: Cindy**

Nothing to report.

### **Scholarships: Debbie on behalf of Tracy**

Parents of seniors confirmed that the application has been posted. Applications are due in January. \*\*It was suggested that the invitation also be sent to parents/guardians who may want to encourage their student to participate.\*\* **From last meeting - not sure if this happened?**

### **Teacher Representative Report: Christine Brandell**

Thank you PTO for supporting the teachers, students and community. The teachers appreciate the PTO! Still waiting for approval to sell yearbooks through the bookstore and online. Senior ads will be available soon, too. Will let Lisa or Melissa know if any parent advocacy, through UPC, would help to avoid delay next year.

## **Booster Reports**

### **Melissa Schwart / Pride of Paradise Band and Orchestra Booster (PoPBOB):**

Very successful competition, which we co-hosted at Pinnacle HS on October 30. Over 200 PVHS students, from a variety of organizations, earned service hours. Earned first place in our last competition. Travelling with football to Desert Mountain this Friday. State finals on Saturday.

### **Football Booster / Deneen Sulsona:**

Last varsity game this Friday. End of season banquet on November 22. Working with Culinary to do a dessert reception. Next meeting in January; will be looking for new officers.

### **Theater / Brandon Kurtz:**

Recent performance of Trap went well. More parents getting involved. Provided 5 baskets for the online auction. Two more performances coming up.

**Swim and Dive / Brandon Kurtz:**

Newly formed. Still looking for a Vice President. Looking for assistance on setting up bank account. Bank account is already formed, but Brandon and Treasurer will need to coordinate a time with Debbie to meet at bank to become signors.

**Girls Basketball / Betsy Graber:**

Just getting started. But have everything all set up and ready to go.

**CREST / Gracie Snyder:**

College information night coming up on Monday. Panda Express online fundraiser November 15.

**Baseball / Cindy Richards:**

Preparing for Spring season. Considering doing concessions.

**Robotics:****Volleyball Booster:****UPC / Lisa Hoberg:**

Next meeting, November 17th at 9:45 am, will be virtual. The topic is Driving Meaningful Conversations. It is designed to give families tools to better communicate with each other in an informative, useful, uplifting, and funny presentation. All meetings and presentations (including Gifted and Special Education programs) are available on UPC's Youtube channel and website. Campo Bello Thrift Shop (32nd St and Bell) - consider for clothing, toys, small household item donations.

**New Business**

DECA request for \$400 to attend State Career Development Conference in February (4 students' registration fees). Discussion around if we should require a student presentation to approve funds. Agreed that we would approve the funds, but ask for some sort of student presentation. Motion made by Lisa Hoberg and seconded by Melissa Schwartz; carried unanimously.

Eclectic Club expense reimbursement challenges. Much discussion, but agreed that we need to look at our PTO by-laws, as well as communicate with Mr. H and Bookstore. Outside of this situation, need to formalize a process when it comes to funds that relate to PTO and student clubs (without a formal booster organization).

**Announcements:**

No meeting in December. The next meeting will be Monday, January 10th at 6:30pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Hoberg, Vice President.