

Paradise Valley High School PTO-Booster Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2024

Call to Order/Llamar al orden (Rebekah Fox-Laverty)
Meeting called to order at 6:36pm

Participants:

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| 1. Rebekah Fox-Laverty, President | 15. Melissa – Blue Orthodontics |
| 2. Erin Keegan Terjesen, Vice President | 16. Yvette Harkins |
| 3. Anil Phull, Treasurer | 17. Blyth Meeker |
| 4. Jacqueline Chaney, Secretary | 18. Melanie |
| 5. Marc Dembowski | 19. Brent Senesac |
| 6. Michele Lipovitch | 20. Megan Starr |
| 7. Melissa Schwartz | 21. Girls Basketball Booster |
| 8. Suzy Rager | 22. Kristi |
| 9. Hara Dembowski | 23. Stacey Orest |
| 10. Brandon Kurtz | 24. Stacy McBeath |
| 11. Ginger | 25. Yvette Harkins |
| 12. Punit Stia | 26. Jason Vargas |
| 13. Ian Deonise | 27. PVHS Cheer Booster |
| 14. Laura Nastasia | 28. Faydra Huntingford |

Principal's Report/La Noticia de Principal (Mr. Deonise)

- PV earned a Letter A. Review of how grade is determined. We also increased in our CCR index & what is taken into consideration for the assessment. Overall our school score went up 7 points. Last half day during Pride Time took ACT practice test (95%).
- Pride Time Schedules – Rolled out beginning of the year, used twice this school year, favorable with teachers. Will be used again on the 1st day of the new year to pick up schedules, then on January 15th for Registration for 2025-2026 School Year. Eliminating the amount of instructional time being taken from the teachers.
- Wednesday 11/20 – hosting a Varsity Basketball Game, allow more students to attend a game, drum up more interest. Will do the same with the girls team later in the season. Playing Shadow Mtn. Optional for students, teachers to make decision.
 - Varsity 1pm
 - JV 4pm
- Questions:
 - Red Zone Sponsors – Guidance on how that would look (Brandon Kurz): Mr. Deonise has a Red Zone Flyer to share. Most of the bigger sports have been selling banners. Mr. Deonise purchased Charlie tickets and gave those to a Math Teacher for incentives. Can also speak with Brent about what he's done.
 - Senior stay after (Suzy Rager)

Secretary's Report/La Noticia de Secretaria (Jacqueline Chaney)

- Review/Approval of October meeting minutes
 - Motion for approval of October Meeting Minutes: Erin Keegan Terjesen
 - Second: Michele Lipovich
 - No Objections

Roll Call of Boosters

- Cheer – Megan Starr (parent)
- Theater – Angela Escobedo
- Choir – Rebekah Fox-Laverty
- Baseball –
- Robotics –
- Boys Basketball – Erin Keegan Terjesen
- Girls Basketball – Blythe Meeker
- Girls Soccer – Jason Vargas
- Swim/Dive – Brandon Kurtz
- Band – Brent Senesac
- CREST – Faydra Huntingford
- Football – Stacey Orest
- Girls Volleyball – Marc Dembowski

Treasurer's Report/La Noticia de Tesorera (Anil Phull)

- Review of October Financials
- November – Will send out invoices to the boosters for the Fees usually taken out in September. Will also settle the financial from the auction.
- Unable to locate the Monthly Treasurer Reports for each booster. Anil Phull will send out the correct links to complete and upload the Monthly Treasurer Reports.
- Question (Marc Dembowski): Email that we are sending the monthly reports correct. Anil confirmed receipt of one report. Anil posted link:
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1N5LQ2ZEhTzwE31NXB38Q20ii5Htd7BpH?usp=sharing>
- Training Video done in the beginning of the school year (Marc Dembowski posted link:
<https://www.paradisevalleypto.org/pto-meetings.html>)
- Missing Band Folder, Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball (Anil Phull to create later)

Committee Reports/La Noticia de Comité

- Fundraising/Recaudacion de Fondos (Angela Escobedo (not in attendance)(Rebekah Fox-Laverty)
 - Congratulations on the auction, we had to do a couple of refunds, Raised over \$15k.
 - Still missing a few Booster Registrations – Need to complete and return.
 - Culinary Teacher: Created Pasta bowls, has 21 more to sell. May need to be approved through Admin since kids are making the pasta

- Staff Appreciation/Agradecimiento Personal (Michele Lipovitch)
 - 12/18 (half day): Brunch for the Staff, Holiday Theme game for gift cards, testing out this year (previous years we did gift bags). Using WinCo credits for the deli trays, ask for donations for sides and gift cards to raffle off. Sign up Genius to be sent out after Thanksgiving.
 - Need to ask Bhawna Verma to do a survey on this.
 - Question (Anil Phull): Future teacher appreciation events coming up? Two more in the next quarters, Senior Breakfast
- Communications (Marc Dembowski)
 - PTO News will go in Mr. Deonise's weekly email, not getting a lot of emails. Rebekah Fox-Laverty also receives the emails and confirms with Admin that it was approved (need to use the Fundraiser Approval process implemented this year).
- Teacher Representative (Bhawna Verma)
 - Not Present.

Holly Gorman – \$150 for paints, to be used for JAG projects, learning activities, replenish what has been borrowed from other teachers. 1500 people indirectly.

Motion for approval: Anil Phull

Second: Blythe Meeker

No Objections

Booster Group Reports/La Noticia del grupos Booster Reps

- Swim & Dive (Brandon Kurz)
 - Just wrapped the season, sent a record number of students to State
- Theater (Brandon Kurz)
 - Completed Charlie & the Chocolate Factory
 - Next Show (January): The Play that Went Wrong
- Basketball (Erin Keegan Terjesen)
 - Boys & Girls: Had their 1st Annual event, free, Cheer/Band/Dance supported. All the teams played each other.
 - 11/20 Home Opener during school day. 1pm Varsity, 2:30pm Fresh/So, 4pm JV
 - Question: Does PTO follow all of the sports/boosters on Instagram? To allow the PTO account to share. Becky requested that you tag the PTO in your posts and then we will reshare.
- Volleyball (Marc Dembowski)
 - Finished up the season, Two players received
- Soccer (Marc Dembowski)
 - Kicking off the new season
- Girls Basketball (Blythe Meeker)
 - 1st game was cancelled, traveling for upcoming
- Crest (Laura Nastasia)
 - Upcoming events

Needs:

- Nurse Needs Donations of Feminine Hygiene Items (Pads/Tampons), drop off at the front office, share/get the word out
- Boosters/Clubs & PTO all to share and tag one another's Fundraisers to help spread the word.
- Boosters to submit their Concessions Reports

Upcoming Fundraising

- Nov 18- Dec 5: Choir Booster: Music Ornament &/or Lightup Snowman Fundraiser
- Through Dec 8: Football Booster: Fiesta Bowl Tickets Fundraiser
- Nov 20: Drama Booster: Habit 4p-9pm
- Dec 3: Cheer Booster: Dine Out Night at Raising Canes
- Dec 4: Native American Club Fundraiser: Chipotle

For Overall PTO:

- Rita's is asking to do Fundraiser at lunch for the PTO?
- Dave and Busters is wanting to work with PTO for Fundraiser night?
- Chompies for PTO Fundraiser?
- Any Ideas for bigger PTO Spring Fundraisers?

Discussions

- Greens Fundraiser – Next Year, every booster do this at the same time, not competing with the auction.
 - Question: Lead Time? All orders in by 11/12, delivered after Thanksgiving. 30-40% return (can be reassessed next year). Market through out October (not competing with auction). Have at the concession stands (pick up at school/deliver to addresses). Suggestion to move auction to Spring vs. Fall auction. We ordered 25 additional wreaths – contact Anil Phull.

UPC Reports (Hara Dembowski/Megan Starr)

- 11/19 Middle School Presentation at the District Office
- 11/20 9am Gifted Meeting District Office (Meet Superintendent, Dr. Reynolds), Substance Abuse Presentation
- 1/14 Gifted Meeting (younger children)

End of Meeting Summary (Rebekah Fox-Laverty)

- Booster Contact Information needs to be sent in
- Financial Reports to be completed and uploaded
- Utilize the Fundraiser Links
- Zeffy – contact Becky for referral link/setting up
- Reminder to all Boosters – accounts dropping below \$500 will be charged monthly fee (\$10)
- Auction details will be sent out after everything has been settled, funds to be deposited once done.

Adjourn/Suspender la sesión (Rebekah Fox-Laverty) at 7:37pm