

## **PVHS PTO Meeting Minutes**

Monday, May 4, 2022

6:30pm

### **In attendance:**

Debbie Ingebretson, Kim Breland, Tamara Yurong, Ian Deonise, Tracie Smith, Brandon Kurtz, Christine Brandell, Deneen Sulsona, Melissa/ Blue Orthodontics, Melissa Schwartz, Cheryl Berrington, Cindy Richards, Abby and Ben, Burke Gedris, Vivian Liu, Suzy Rager, Brent Senesac, Joy Vanderhoof, Lori Robertson

### **Call to Order:**

The virtual meeting was recorded and called to order by President, Debbie Ingebretson at 6:31pm.

### **Secretary's Report:** Tamara Yurong

April's meeting minutes are now posted on the PTO website for people to review. Tracie Smith took the minutes as Tamara was not in attendance at the April meeting. Contingent on updating the minutes with the Band/Orchestra summary, Tracie Smith motioned to approve the April minutes and Melissa Schwartz seconded, passing unanimously. Copy of the minutes and agenda can be found at [paradisevalleypto.org](http://paradisevalleypto.org).

### **New Business:**

FBLA Students requesting funds for national competition in Chicago, June 27th. Burke Gedris, Abbey and Ben presented their Regional winning project to all in attendance of the PTO meeting. The project is a Men's Clothing Store focusing on trendy, stylish men's footwear, targeting a younger, financially self-sufficient audience and influencers. They requested funds to support their trip expenses (convention fees, hotel accommodations, Blue Man Group cultural event, Cubs game and registration). The PTO bylaws allow a maximum of \$500 granted to student groups. Tamara Yurong motioned to grant the funds and Melissa Schwartz seconded the motion. All in favor, no one opposed. It is possible for families to donate through a Tax Credit, and must identify the credit as such.

### **Principal Report / Q&A:** Mr. Deonise

Thank you to all outgoing PTO board members and chairs. Welcome to the new members. The school couldn't function as successfully without you. Prom was the largest prom in 9 years, with 700 students in attendance. The kids had fun and were well behaved. May 10 is Senior Awards Night in the gym. May 26th is graduation. No restriction on the number of tickets. It is first come first served - no reserve seating. AP testing has been successful with over 700 exams administered and more this week. CTE testing begins this week. Crest Symposium is Wednesday and Thursday in the gym. Athletic signing day is Thursday at 2:20pm in the gym lobby. Regarding painting, the District has a quote and has agreed to pay to paint our official Trojan logo on Bell Road side of the building. With the painting, the school lost all building signage. Mr Deonise has requested funds from the PTO to create signage. The PTO will grant

up to \$5,000 to the school, for including but not limited to, painting murals, signage, campus benches and various physical improvements. Melissa Schwarts motioned to approve and Tracie Smith seconded the motion. All in favor, no one opposed. It was requested that signage be created for each parking lot, directing visitors to venues on campus. "The days are long and the years are short", Ian says. We all thank you Mr Deonise for your strong leadership, especially through Covid.

**Treasurer's Report:** Kim Breland

There are a couple outstanding booster concessions (volleyball, baseball and basketball) which equal a couple hundred dollars. April ended with approximately \$21,000, less \$5,000 to Mr Deonise for school improvements and \$2,500 for the senior scholarships, plus earning \$1200 from senior yard signs. Leaving May with about \$14,700. Statistically, PTO has started the year with \$14,000-\$17,000. Considering 2years of Covid restrictions and lockdowns, the budget is well within expectations.

**Committee Reports:**

**Fundraising:** Lori Robertson

Senior yard sign program is wrapping up this week with about 30 remaining. Those will be used for Senior Awards night and Senior Breakfast. Trying to arrange another Cold Beer and Cheeseburgers fundraiser before the end of the year.

**Staff Appreciation:** Cindy Richards

Thank you to Tacos Huicho's generous contribution to the Cinco de Mayo Staff Appreciation Lunch! They prepared the food fresh onsite. The owners have freshman and sophomore PV students and agreed to help with staff lunches for a couple more years - THANK YOU! Senior Breakfast is 5/26 after graduation rehearsal; SUG will go out for help with drinks, candy, gift cards, etc. Blue Orthodontics is generously donating about 250 donuts - THANK YOU. PV Culinary is making the breakfast burritos (meat and veg) for \$1,900 (at \$4ea) - THANK YOU! Will be using appropriate consumable food from the PTO storage closet so it won't spoil over the summer.

**Scholarships:** Tracie Smith

Winners will be announced tomorrow at the Senior Awards Ceremony. Tracie thanks everyone for a wonderful PTO experience over the last 15years. Although this is her last official PTO responsibility, she will help Tricia with the scholarship process next year.

**Teacher Representative Report:** Christine Brandell

Thank you for the tacos, it was a wonderful spread! All very much appreciated. Only a few yearbooks remain. All pre-orders are available through the bookstore.

**UPC:** Melissa Schwarts

Next meeting is Closing Bell with Dr Bales. He will re-cap the year. All new PTO members please reach out to Melissa. UPC shares best practices which are helpful to new members. Thank you to everyone who submitted Teacher Appreciation letters. Ian distributed them to PV teachers. District Board seats are open. Please get involved before November to ensure all voices are heard.

**Booster Reports:**

**Theater:** Brandon Kurtz

Tarzan wrapped up well. The auditorium was fuller than it has been. The band in the pit was terrific. Thank you to the district for the fresh flooring. Thank you to the Boosters for donating \$7,000 to fixing the rigging. Four new board members will begin the next school year. Lots of new energy.

**Swim and Dive:** Brandon Kurtz

One third of the team participated in the 99 Pledges drive and raised \$3,500. That's enough to get the coaches funds to buy equipment. With money now behind the team, Brandwill will seek Kim's help to provide monthly financial reports.

**Girls Softball:** Brandon Kurtz

Trying to get a booster club started for Girls Softball. After the second PTO meeting of the year, a PTO booster training is held for all to attend. All boosters or potential boosters should attend.

**Band and Orchestra:** Melissa Schwartz

Mark your calendars for a night of Jazz May 21st, 7-10pm. The cafeteria will be turned into a nightclub with dancing, dance lessons at 7:00pm and "mocktails". Entrance fee is \$5.00. Thank you Lori and Tracie for the support with the auction during the musical. New board members need to be ready in July as the band/orchestra starts in the summer.

**Football:** Kim Breland

Football prepares during the summer with training, camps and get to know you BBQ. Parents and all players are welcome to attend the BBQ. Thank you to PV Culinary's support by grilling and Blue Orthodontics for providing the food for the event.

**Old Business:**

Debbie shared that the few remaining Senior Yard signs will be used for the senior events.

**New Business**

Painting has already been addressed.

Debbie thanks the outgoing board members for their service:

Tracie/ Scholarships: thank you for your years of service, even prior to PVHS.

Lori/ Fundraising: thank you for your support for too many years to count.

Tamara / Secretary: thank you for coming aboard when we needed you.

Melissa/ All your positions: thank you. And thank you for hanging around a couple more years.

Brandon - thanks for growing your groups and sticking around.

Suzy Rager - You'll be well supported in your new role as President. We wish you well.

Anyone with questions regarding PTO and the new school year may reach out to Suzy Rager [suzyrager@gmail.com](mailto:suzyrager@gmail.com) or Melissa Schwartz at [desertdweller4@cox.net](mailto:desertdweller4@cox.net)

**Announcements:**

Have a happy and safe summer

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tamara Yurong, Secretary.