

## **PVHS PTO Meeting Minutes**

Monday, October 11, 2021

6:30pm

### **In attendance:**

Debbie Ingebretson, Lisa Hoberg, Kim Breland, Tamara Yurong, Paul Havlovic, Brandon Kurtz, Christine Brandell, Deneen Sulsona, Melissa Schwartz, Cindy Richards, Gracie Snyder, Melissa/ Blue Orthodontics, Violet Zilman, Jenny Patton, Karen Grant, Cheryl Berrington, Willow

### **Call to Order:**

The virtual meeting was called to order by President, Debbie Ingebretson at 6:34pm. Recording began at 6:36pm.

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

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

### **Principal Report / Q&A:** Mr. Havlovic attended in Mr. Deonise's absence.

Congratulations to Amanda Cherry for winning AZ Science Teacher of the Year! Thank you to PTO for creating care packages for bus drivers and the security team. PSAT is Saturday, 10/16 at 8:00am. Parent Teacher Conferences are Tuesday, 10/19 and will be held virtually. Homecoming week is kicking off. We'll hold our assembly outdoors Friday on the field. Sports teams will be on the track to help promote social distancing. Football game is Friday night. The dance will be in an outdoor confined space between the bleachers and gym on Saturday, 8-11:00pm. Last day for on-campus Senior pictures is 10/18. Health office protocols: students reporting to the nurse's office with any Covid like symptoms will be sent home. The good news is they can test immediately.

Ms. Maureen Minnick is looking for a new venue for the district's Sight and Sounds Festival to highlight the talents of the district. The student art in the auditorium has been there for 9 years and a refresh is being discussed.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Currently, we have \$13,969.23 in our account. Across the month we received \$95.20 from a corporate match (thank you!) and spend \$349.55 for staff shirts. Still determining who the unmarked \$250 from United Way belongs to. Once identified, the money will be allocated to the appropriate account. Clubs will be invoiced on a tiered structure for their dues. All boosters, if you haven't already, please go to the PTO website and fill out forms for your booster registration. To all families, please join PTO general membership to support the school. Let's find a way to spread the word and increase our membership. Everyone is invited to attend the PTO meetings.

**Committee Reports:****Scholarships:**

Soon Cindy Smith will be sending invitations to Seniors to apply for PVHS \$500 scholarship. Students may apply for one of the five available. 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.

**Communications:**

Cindy will add the PTO meeting link to the webpage and the PTO calendar to make the meeting easier to access. Cindy will also update the default "donation button" on the website to reflect an amount lower than \$100. Donors can select any amount to donate, but the default currently reads \$100.00.

**Staff Appreciation:**

Fall Staff Appreciation Lunch will be 11/10 for about 175 staff/teachers. Lunch will be set up and available by 10:30am. Parents/guardians will receive a Sign Up Genius asking for donations of drinks, side dishes, sanitizer, tissues, etc. Thank you to Blue Orthodontics for providing all the sandwiches and a salad. It was suggested that a "Favorite Things" list (favorite: salty snack, sweet snack, classroom supply, etc) be created to collect staff/teacher's preferences for those families wanting to acknowledge teachers in a special way. Cindy will create one for distribution.

**Fundraising:**

We're in full swing preparing for the Silent Auction which will be November 3-7th. If anyone has any extra unused gift cards and would like to help support the PTO, donating them to the Auction is greatly appreciated. Lori/Jenny will send info to Cindy and Ian to add the Silent Auction to the Weekly Blast. Jenny Patton volunteered to do communications for the auction (thank you Jenny). A huge thank you to Melissa/Blue Orthodontics for donating a \$6000 Smile Package basket to the auction. All clubs and boosters can provide a basket to the Auction and all money (less credit card fee) raised by their donation will be credited to their club's account. Drop all donations in the office and clearly label it with the name of the booster group and contents of the basket. Donations will be accepted up until the 3rd. Please try to turn in donations as early as possible. See's Candy fundraiser will be in late December, early November. Dream Dinners is scheduled for Spring.

**Teacher Representative Report/ Christine Brandell:**

Thank you PTO for supporting the teachers, students and community. The teachers appreciate the PTO! Senior portraits were available on campus today and will be again on 10/18. Or students can make an appointment to go to the studio. Yearbooks will be on sale shortly through the bookstore and online. Senior ads will be available soon, too.

## **Booster Reports:**

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

Homecoming is Friday. Everyone is working on getting and staying healthy. Thank you PTO for helping with concessions. Only 5 more home games in the season plus one JV makeup game in November.

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

Theater has two shows in November: one in the auditorium and one in the Black Box. The visit from the Hamilton actor went well. Currently working on a basket for the Silent Auction. Will send the budget to Kim.

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

Looking forward to performing at the Homecoming game. Currently preparing for our big competition on 10/30. Thank you to Ms Leighty and all our volunteers who filled all the slots on the SignUp Genius.

### **Robotics:**

We're still not in our new room, but hope to be moved in by early November. We retrieved our old robots from storage and Freshman were able to see what the team had previously accomplished. Thank you to Chef George for recruiting alumni mentors. Parents have been donating snacks. We're working on a donation for the Silent Auction.

### **Baseball:**

Everyone is getting to know the new coach, Coach Jeffers. Practice is 10/18. The team is raising funds to overseed the lawn on the field, which the team pays for.. It costs about \$4000.00. As a result of the pandemic and supply chain issues, the cost has gone up. Although we only have one field, unlike other schools in our district, we have one of the best quality fields.

### **Crest/ Gracie Snyder:**

Great turn out for the Future Trojan Night. Working on our November fundraiser at Panda Express. It's a good opportunity to raise money as anyone across the country can participate through their local Panda Express.

### **Volleyball Booster/ Willow:**

Eleven days remaining in our fundraiser. Students were asked to seek support from people other than fellow students, teachers/staff and immediate PVHS community. We're also running a Food Drive as a competition. The team who collects the most donations wins a pizza party. The team is looking forward to having a face painting booth at Haunted Paradise.

**UPC / Lisa Hoberg:**

Next meeting, October 20th at 9:00am, will be virtual. The topic is School Safety where we will learn how the district responds in a crisis. October 14th will be a meeting to discuss 2E Learners. All meetings and presentations are available on UPC's Youtube channel and website. The last meeting discussed school funding. The UPC membership form has been filled out and an invoice will be sent to Kim for payment.

**New Business**

An on-campus College Fair will be held October 22, 10:30-12:45pm. It is open to students and parents/guardians. We're looking for volunteers to work the sign-in table please.

**Announcements:**

The next meeting will be Monday, November 8th at 6:30pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Tamara Yurong, Secretary.