# Attendees (24)



### Call to Order:

The virtual meeting was recorded and called to order by President Suzy Rager at 6:31pm.

Suzy also introduced the new Vice Principal Christian Allen.

#### Secretary's Report:

- September meeting minutes are available on the www.paradisevalleypto.org/ web site.
- Do we have a motion to approve August meeting notes?
  - First: Anil Phull
  - Second: Hara Dembowski

- August meeting minutes unanimously approved

### Principal's Report/Mr. Deonise:

- Mr. Deonise ceded a portion of his time for guest speaker Dr. Troy Bales.
  - Guest Dr Troy Bales, PVSD Superintendent is visiting all PTOs and expressed appreciation
  - Governing board voted/called for a bond election, this information is on the PVHS web site; and reminder -- boosters may not campaign on campuses for positions on the election.
  - PVHS has the highest per student spending and lowest administrative costs in Maricopa County
  - Boosters, please promote PVSD on social media, on gradeschools.net and other sites, share the good news
  - Dr. Bales clarified that district administrative costs do not include teacher salaries
- Mr. Deonise's September update:
- We have 7 National Merit semifinalists, more than any other PVSD high school, also PVHS was named as US News one of top 4 schools in the country and 2nd in the district.
- Homecoming is on Saturday September 30th, with 1,000 kids likely to attend (Homecoming game is on Friday
- Theme is Welcome to the Jungle (jungle decorations), tickets are \$20 until Friday
- Senior picture makeup day is on October 17th. To get in the yearbook, you need to have your photo taken at the photographer's studio prior to that date, or wait until they come to the school. ID photos are not used in the yearbook.
- The school is full and enrollment is closed. About 900 students are out of district. New out-of-district students are referred to their own district or elsewhere. There is one teacher opening for algebra.
- (Suzy) Update on Madysin got titanium school, and is at St. Joseph' Neuro rehab, and we will be sending her books to help catch up with English class.
- Mr. Deonise thanked booster's funding of items he was unable to. There were no questions before he departed the meeting.

# Treasurer's Report/Kim Breland

- Kim August update \$1646.91 deposits, including many donations through PayPal.These need designations to help us understand why and for whom.
- Robotics GoFundMe there were several hundred dollars transferred to them.
- \$150 given for teacher grants
- Paid \$2523 for staff t-shirts; Paid for Baseball, Football, Basketball, Volleyball food permits which are due in August, waiting for permits to arrive at the school.
- All insurance paid up.
- There were some 32Auctions fees for photos, there will likely be 200 items.
- August ending balance \$9549.63. Current \$9699.63.

- Kim: Have we done an e-mail blast to encourage parent registrations? (Hara:) No, was sent by Mr. Deonise already. Next will shift towards teacher appreciation donations.
- Upcoming annual charge from PTO to booster groups graduated based on prior year revenues. For example, \$0-\$5K is \$55, etc, \$10K+ is \$100.
- Melissa parents just don't understand how PTO vs Booster fundraising works, so recommend sending another email blast to encourage parent registrations.
- Anil brought up whether individual booster financials should or shouldn't be open to all booster officers. Brandon would like for these to be transparent, Kim agrees. No vote taken.

# Fundraising/Angela Escobedo

- Auction update scheduled 10/31-11/6: all on track, and Mr. Deonise encouraged donations in his Monday messages.
- The Thirsty Lion is giving 15% of receipts to the PTO for the month of September.
- Blue Orthodontics is donating the \$6000 smile transformation package

# Scholarships/Tricia Urbano-Voltz

- No update

# Social Media/Hara Dembowski and Communications on behalf of Marc

### Dembowski

- She is actively updating IG and FB accounts, not Twitter at present, and this will be removed for now.
- Please share photos and announcements with Hara to be posted and shared with our community
- If you want your updates included in Mr. Deonise's Monday Messages, please send to Hara. Please send social media photos, awards, recognition to <u>hara.dembowski@gmail.com</u>).
- Email communications updates (for Mr. Deonise's Monday message) to <a href="mailto:pvptonews@gmail.com">pvptonews@gmail.com</a> by Thursday
- And IG is pvhs\_pto and FB is ParadiseValleyHighSchoolPTO

# Staff Appreciation/Michele Lipovitch

- Next staff appreciation is October 20th, sponsored by Blue Orthodontics.
- Melissa from Blue Ortho is planning an Italian theme, signup genius to be posted shortly.

### **Teacher Representative**

No teacher attended/gave updates

# **Booster Updates**

#### Sarah Bracy - Cheer

- Sweatshirts fundraiser went well
- Booster leaders are very busy and requesting help to make sure all events and fundraisers in August were properly held
- This Wednesday Palacio Tacos fundraiser mention PVHS.

#### **Michelle Schwartz - CREST**

- Consolidating parent memberships between two systems
- Have paid bills, are selling
- Will be recruitings for CREST next year in October, were 158 students this past year (half are open-enrolled). This year capped at 160 students

#### Kim Breeland - Football

- Excited for Homecoming (especially appreciates Blue Ortho's support)
- Lots of donations from sponsors (especially pasta meals for 100 players across Freshmen, JV, Varsity)

#### Jeanette Ortega - Band/Orchestra

- with 35 freshmen, are largest band in district
- Wrapping up t-shirt sponsorship
- Started cheering on Football team
- Getting ready for this season's showExcited for Homecoming (especially appreciates Blue Ortho's support)

#### **Cheryl Berrington - Volleyball**

- There have been some player injuries that the team is coming back from
- Senior banners and Varsity headshots in gym
- Restaurant night is next Wednesday at Tatum/Cactus Chipotle, will send update for inclusion in Mr. Deonise's next update.
- Looking for banquet venue Melissa has some ideas she would like to share

#### Brandon Kurz - Swim/Dive

- First away meet with Pinnacle; first time senior banners were put on display
- Distributed t-shirts
- 9/21 and 9/22 Habit and Rubios and Crumble restaurants. There are meets are on both days and another one that week

#### Brandon Kurz and Angela Escobedo - Theater

- Velveteen Rabbit performance is 10/5-10/6 in the Black Box Theater and will be filmed for submission.
- Restaurant night at Chipotle on 10/9 on North Tatum/Bell Online and in-person, 4-8pm
- Theater car wash is this weekend.

No updates from basketball or baseball

## • Upcoming Fundraising

- Included in booster updates
- A badminton parent's group is in the process of being formed

### • UPC Report Melissa Schwartz

- Next fundraiser is September 20th - who's who at PV Schools (department heads)

### Old Business

- No discussion

## Madysin Update

- Presented at beginning of the meeting during Principal's Report

### New Business/Votes

- No new business or votes

## Annual Booster Training-

- Was held prior to today's meeting

# Next PTO meeting October 16th

- Suzy is on work travel. Sarah Bracy will lead with Kim Breeland's help

# Adjourn/Suzy Rager

- Adjourned at 7:58pm