



DHS PFSO General Meeting Minutes
Monday February 24th, 2025 6:45 PM
Location - ARC (Building F), 2nd floor

I. **Call to Order** - Nicole Viscovich

Meeting started at 6:51 PM

II. **Administration Report** – Maureen Byrne

There was an incident last week in the cafeteria during lunch. The fight occurred between two students, but it resulted in a larger fight due to the time and space. The school had to announce a shelter in place so that students could get out of the cafeteria quickly. The effect of social media was felt during and after the event.

Five students were suspended, and one student was arrested. Any info shared about the rumors is appreciated. Most of the rumors were unfounded.

The school faced challenges since the text messages were delayed. The school needs to have a consistent message. Admin is working on where to send the students if any incidents happen during the passing period or during lunchtime. Reviewing the process of how to communicate with the students and the parents. Students who were outside the classes were unable to hear the announcements clearly.

Some students were afraid, confused, or shaken up. Since 100s of students have phones now, it is important that they are better educated in digital citizenship. Students should give some respect and privacy to others. Family members of the students who were involved in the incident came to the school and were escorted by the admin. No weapons were used during or after the incident. Teachers and coaches came to break up the fight. Several teachers also joined for crowd control.

There are also significant financial implications due to the large number of students absent the next day.

III. **Speaker:** Shannon Smoot from Wellness Center- canceled will be at the next meeting.

IV. **ASB** – Leadership Teacher & Students

Night Rally will be organized on May 21st, a week before school finals.

Leadership students went to the TLC-TriValley Leadership Conference. It is a great event for bonding activities and planning events for the leadership team.

Leadership students went to Wells Middle School and toured the campus. Made posters with the Wells leadership students and encouraged them to apply for leadership positions at DHS. 40 to 50 Wells Middle School students have applied. In-person interviews will be conducted on March 5th and 7th at Wells. Interviews will also be conducted for Fallon students who might

transfer to DHS.

Around 180 students have applied for leadership positions at DHS for next year. Interviews will be conducted during lunch and the 7th period.

The Golden Gael Philanthropy competition will be held on March 19th with an emphasis on collecting donation items.

ASB meeting scheduled for February 25th.

Spring Flea Market will be on March 28th. Outside vendors and school clubs are allowed to participate and sell items.

Students are planning to organize a tea party for staff with fun activities like face painting for kids.

DHS Art Club is brainstorming ideas for a mural on campus. It is a huge project, and it will be awesome to have a mural painted. There will be a competition to submit design ideas.

V. Club Reports

- **DHS PFSO Chess Club**

Did not receive any updates.

- **DHS PFSO Debate Club**

- 3 teams participated in the Stanford Invitational (Feb 8-10, 2025) tournament for the Varsity Parli event. The Dublin team championed the event. Another team placed 13th overall.

- 9 teams participated in the Cal Invitational (Feb 15-17, 2025) tournament. The DHS team reached the semi-finals for the Parli Event.

- The Dublin team is placed first in the nation overall for the Parli Event out of 700 teams.

- **DHS PFSO Gael Force Robotics Club**

- 4 teams attended a signature event in Canada from 2/6 - 2/10

- Took the club photo on 2/12

- 5327K won skills champ and 5327V won innovate at a comp on 2/1

- All teams preparing for states on 3/8 - 3/9

VI. Funding Requests

- **Funding request for Stunt Mats**

Request from cheer for mats. Total budget for stunt mats is \$18392.55, out of which \$11,000 has been raised : \$4,000 from boosters, \$5,000 from athletics, \$2,000 from fundraisers. Actively fundraising through other avenues too.

Need help for \$3000.

Mats are used by cheer stunt athletics and many other groups like dance groups and others. The mats are rolled up and transported to various events which results in wear and tear. They are quite heavy too. This is a long-term investment for cheer.

Special Funding request budget for the year was \$30 K out of which only funded \$5K for HBCU tours

Emily made the motion to approve the funding request of \$3000 for stunt mats. Siyu seconds the motion. All approve. No nays. No abstains.

- **Funding request for Marine biology trip**

Approved. Not a special funding request will come from the teacher grant budget.

VII. **RYC Update** - Angie Bertenshaw

Some check receipts are still being processed and hence a final figure of profit/loss is yet to be confirmed.

As compared to last year, this year the team was able to reduce expenses of \$1700 on renting tables, table cloth and cutlery. \$1800 of auctioneer expenses were also reduced. A DHS family donated a cabin stay that was auctioned for \$800.

All raffle baskets had items worth \$300 to \$600 each. Similar things were bundled together in each basket. Raffle tickets were sold for half an hour and made \$350. Dessert auction did not go as well. People were interested to socialize but were not interested in anything much. Crumble cookie also did not perform as expected.

There were several items that should be considered for next year like seeking donations much earlier. People need time to get approvals for their donations, which we didn't have this time. The event advertising should start from August onwards so that people are aware of it and there is enough time to plan the details.

Fun challenge for the organizers.

VIII. **Old Business**

IX. **New Business-**

X. **President's Report-**

- **Superintendents meeting**

Went over the same stuff- everyone's concerned and interested in the budget. All info is available on the website. There is a decrease in the amount that we are short of - from \$6.4 M to \$5.9 M. The district is trying to bridge the gap. There is a significant emphasis on communicating that positions might be eliminated, but people may not lose their jobs. Staff might move to a different position.

There are grants for certain positions – but the funds can't be used for other positions – so hiring for new positions. Funds are available in many different pots and can be used for specific purposes. Budget for inclusion.

DPIE – The job career fair is coming up. Driver ed courses will be offered over the summer. First Friday of the month, three scholarships went live. There might be some summer classes for credit for accelerated math courses.

DEA is trying to widen its reach and educate schools on how they get their money.

Wells Middle School has its Crab Feed coming up soon. They asked to borrow square devices. Okay with all.

- **Open positions**

Nicole and Wendy will attend the Wells PFC meeting next month so we have class reps for Class of 2029. They will also communicate details for other open positions.

Fireworks booth Fundraiser: We need to find a chair – two people can share the position and the responsibilities. Typically, the planning process starts in April; hence, this is a priority. Emily B and Kim might be interested.

Also talk to Fallon and Cottonwood PFC for students who might transfer over.

Class reps need to update their contact info and other details. No need for nominations. All other PFSO board members must fill out a nomination. PFSO Website will have the link to the 2025-26

nomination form. Please communicate with Nicole or Wendy if you will not be returning next year.

Scholarships: Senior Awards – May 21st. Currently working on an essay topic for scholarship. Deadlines and topic will be announced soon

XI. **Vice-President's Report** - Wendy Bankson

XII. **Secretary's Report/ Approval of Minutes** -Siyu Henningsen & Himali Gandhi

- January 2025 meeting minutes approval

Emily made the motion to approve Jan 2025 meeting minutes. Nicole seconded it. All approve. No nays. No abstains.

- Filing for the Statement of Information – Completed on Feb 5, 2025.

XIII. **Treasurer's Report/ Financial Update** - Linda Lu, Peggy Chook & Preeti Dharia

Shared all the reports via email. No questions. RYC will be updated by the next meeting.

XIV. **Class Reports**

- **Class of 2025**

Fundraisers: Senior mom and dad hoodies, matching with student hoodies are available for sale. This is an ideal gift for senior parents.

Yard sign for sale @ \$34.95

Mock AP Test fundraiser in March. Plan to have the tests available for a little longer than normal. Lots of subjects are offered. Next year, the fundraiser will be passed on to the Class of 2026.

Spring pictures by Megan Currier -with student and/or family.

The Senior Banquet is planned for May 9th at the Blackhawk Museum. Tickets go on sale for two weeks from 2/25 to 3/11. Casino DJ, karaoke, comedian, and teacher performances with a two-course dinner. There will be video games and a photo booth with a 360-degree camera. The event will be from 5 pm to 10:30 pm.

Senior Baccalaureate is planned at Walnut Creek Presbyterian Church. Charge by hour, \$300/hr. Need the space available from 1 pm to 6 pm. The class will also rent the gym for 2 hours, from 1 pm to 3 pm, so students can have food there. Charges are \$150/hr.

Students will arrive at 1 pm, families will arrive from 2:30 pm onwards. The main event is from 3 pm to 5 pm.

The Class of 2026 will help with the decorations.

Refreshments will be provided for up to one hour after the ceremony.

Grad Night: The class got an additional 35 tickets from Disneyland. 10 buses with 534 students + 20 chaperones. There will be 2 chaperones per bus. Sold close to 500 tickets. Parent reps will make the final release after any adjustments for refunds.

- **Class of 2026**

Mock SAT was held on Saturday, Feb 22nd. Around 50 kids took the test and had a good experience.

The Class will sell graduation leis. Looking to finalize the vendor.

Few dine out fundraisers planned for the month.

- **Class of 2027**

Fundraiser at Panda Express on Feb 27.

Taqueria Azteca on Mar 12.

Will sell water during graduation ceremonies at the end of the year. DHS on Tuesday 6/3, Wells on 6/4. Parents donate water.

Sports booster for storage. Probably sell fans for heat relief.

- **Class of 2028**

No update.

XV. **DHS Boosters** - Athletics, Band & Drama Reports

XVI. **Adjourned at 8:21 pm. Next meeting will be on 03/24/2025**

DHS PFSO Meeting Attendance

Board Members	PFSO Board Position	Signature
Nicole Viscovich	President	
Wendy Bankson	Vice president	
Peggy Chook	Treasurer	
Linda Lu	Co-Treasurer	
Preeti Dharía	Co-Treasurer	
Siyu Henningsen	Co-Secretary	
Himali Gandhi	Co-Secretary	
Bama De	Communicaton	
Namrata Berry	Communicaton	
Maureen Byrne	Principal	
Felicia Leopold	Parent Class Representatives (2025)	
Maria Gomez	Parent Class Representatives (2025)	
Carmen Martinez	Parent Class Representatives (2025)	
Nida Ahmed	Parent Class Representatives (2025)	
Rabia Babar	Parent Class Representatives (2026)	
Shaheen Parkar	Parent Class Representatives (2026)	
Kathy Rantz	Parent Class Representatives (2026)	
Jethel Fernandez Herrera	Parent Class Representatives (2026)	
Emily Bayer	Parent Class Representatives (2027)	
Lyla Farmer	Parent Class Representatives (2027)	
Anita Sodha	Parent Class Representatives (2027)	
Xochitl Padilla	Parent Class Representatives (2027)	
Reanner Jimenez	Parent Class Representatives (2028)	
Elizabeth Victoria	Parent Class Representatives (2028)	
Liz Silos-Holmes	Parent Class Representatives (2028)	
Tamara Muhler	Parent Class Representatives (2028)	
Shalini Suravarjala	DHS PFSO Gael Force Robotics Club	
Debjani Paul	DHS PFSO Gael Force Robotics Club	
Bhavna Jain	DHS PFSO Chess Club	
Himali Gandhi	DHS S&D Club	
Nicole Viscovich	Firebooth Co-Chairs	
TBA	Firebooth Co-Chairs	
Priyanka Sharma	Scholarship Committee Chair	
Angela Bertenshaw	Raise Your Class Co-Chairs	
Ms. Jennifer McCort	Leadership Teacher	
Ms. Elise Rosby	Leadership Teacher	
Ms. Simona Nallon.	Leadership Teacher	
Yazmin Silverstein	Leadership Student	
Patricia Fu	Senior class treasurer	
Naman Gurg	Gael Force Robotics VP	

Linda