



Meeting Minutes September 21, 2021

IN ATTENDANCE

Board and Committee Chairs: Amanda Armitage, Barbara Beltran Walker, Hollee Winegar, Kerry Murphy, Kimberly Prieto, Linda Ash Vogel, Russell Gibbs, Sara Baumgardner, Shontaia Dixon, Sueanne Chadbourne, Valerie Zeko

Membership and Presenters: Anthony Unchangco, Katy Venti, Lynn Clayton

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Val at 6:32pm.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING'S MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Barbara and seconded by Shontaia. The motion passed.

STANDING REPORTS

ASB Report
No report

Coral Tripp, ASB Vice President

Staffulty Report

Melanie Lindsey (ASB, English)
Anthony Unchangco (Health, PE)

Mr. Unchangco shared information about the process of updating the Global Health curriculum within the district to include gender and ethnic studies.

Principal's Report

Russell Gibbs

Mr. Gibbs said the start of the year is going well. Students have adapted to being back. The theme for this year is "Happiest School on Earth". The faculty are trying to add more play into school, by integrating games and play into Fire for the freshman. Most extracurricular activities are back. FT HS received additional funding for ASB from the state to increase activities and help students adapt to

being back. Otherwise, the faculty is just working through normal beginning of school year stuff – like balancing classes. Mask compliance on campus is high.

Shontaia asked a question about dates for events, like dances. Principal Gibbs indicated that they are up on the school calendar.

Barbara suggested that requests for money for events be shared via ParentSquare not just through emails to the kids and Instagram. There was lots of support for this suggestion from parents in the meeting. Sara mentioned that Marianne Quiroz is working with additional staff to push more communication to Parent Square to consolidate communication into one channel.

Kimberly to provide our website wish list to Mr. Gibbs. Logos, pictures, etc.

Presidents' Report

Valerie Zeko & Hollee King Winegar

Hollee welcomed everyone. She thanked continuing board members and new board members for their service. She also thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. She mentioned that we need a lot of help with fundraising, typically our need for help ramps up in January.

It is a special privilege to let the parents meet in person at the school under pandemic guidelines. It's nice to be here in person.

VP Report

Shontaia Dixon

Shontaia seconded Hollee's thanks and mentioned that she's glad we have the Zoom option as well.

Boosters

Shontaia Dixon

The first booster's meeting is scheduled for Monday 9/27 on the quad at FTHS. Typically, they will be on Tuesdays just prior to the PFSO meeting so parents can easily attend both.

Membership

Sueanne Chadbourne

We have 154 members so far. We need to send out a reminder to get the number up. Sueanne will look at historical performance to see where we stand relative to prior years.

Hollee: We will put the QR code on the screen in the PFSO update at B2S night.

Kerry asked that we encourage folks to use Venmo or check rather than Paypal because Paypal takes a fee.

Add Parliamentary report – Add a timed agenda to make sure everyone is focused and that we move faster.

Parliamentarian's Report

Barbara Beltran Walker

Barbara suggested using a timed agenda to make meetings move more quickly.

PAC Rep

Sara Baumgardner

PAC is the parent advisory committee at the district level. You can find meeting notes from the 9/7/21 PAC meeting [here](#).

Treasurer

Kerry Murphy

Kerry provided us with the reconciliation from August. We have over \$50,000 in the bank. She sent the membership list to Sueanne. About 4,000 in membership fees have been collected, so far. Some families paid more than the requested \$25.

Fundraising Report

Amanda Armitage, Melanie Lindsey

Thanks to everyone for being here. Thanks to Val and Hollee for their leadership. Amanda has reached out to Melanie. Hoping to have a fundraising committee meeting before fall break. Amanda requested the list of members that said they would help with fundraising.

Amanda challenged everyone to get 5 items to donate to the auction. Everything is on the table – experiences, gift cards, etc. Could be personal services (e.g., home improv show).

Hospitality

Jen Duston

No update

Teacher Appreciation Report

Jen Duston

Val mentioned that we provided Panera lunch boxes and Fire leaders to staffulty the week before school started.

Parent Reps

Barbara, 10 grade parent rep: 10th graders are signing up for the PSAT test now. She asked for clarity on the parent rep role and a grade specific timeline of the major events for each grade. We agreed to revisit this topic.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Amazon Smile: <https://smile.amazon.com/>

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approve budget for 2021-22

Kerry provided an overview of the budget (link it here). Kimberly motioned to approve. Barbara seconded. Motion passed.

Kerry requested being at the top of the agenda for the next meeting. We agreed to table discussion of the surplus until the next meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Back to School Night (virtual): Thursday, 09/23/21, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM
Zoom link and schedule can be found at [FTHS B2S Night Flyer](#)
- Next PFSO Meeting: **Tues., October 19, 2021 @ 6:30 PM (Tentative)**
- Oct. 25 - 29, 2021: NO SCHOOL, Fall Break

FINAL REMARKS

1. Remember when ordering from Amazon to use AmazonSmile and select **Foothill Technology High School PFSO** <https://smile.amazon.com/>

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm by Val.