

FTHS PFSO Minutes

March 16, 2021

IN ATTENDANCE

Board and Committee Chairs: Valerie Zeko, Hollee King Winegar, Shontaia Dixon, Amanda Armitage, Kimberly Prieto, Jennifer Duston, Russell Gibbs, Sueanne Chadburn

Membership and Presenters: Dailyn Thompson, Amy Harris, Lisa Bondy, Lori Franco; Melanie Lindsey; Tammy Kizer-Robinson, Monica Hantgin

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Hollee King Winegar at 6:35pm.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING'S MINUTES

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Shontaia Dixon and seconded by Hollee King Winegar. The motion passed.

STANDING REPORTS

Staffulty Report Melanie Lindsey

Prom: Faculty has surveyed students to determine what kind of prom they want. The results to date indicate that many kids do not want a prom when it has to be socially distanced and in masks. Melanie is meeting with other activities directors from other high schools. Buena is in the same situation. After being socially distanced for so long, kids only seem comfortable in small groups. They are exploring alternatives.

- ASB is organizing activities for students first two days back to school. The theme is "How to train a Dragon."
- They are planning a number of non-event oriented activities and gifts for seniors.
- ASB is still working on a Prom, but it's a challenge given Covid restrictions.
- They had good response to Black History Month posts on Instagram
- Renaissance activities will focus heavily on Freshman to help them understand the program and have them strive to succeed. They will be giving out "Class of 2024" tee shirts for freshmen at Renaissance.

Presidents' Report

Valerie Zeko & Hollee King Winegar

Valerie and Hollee are encouraging current board members to apply for the same position that they have this year, since this past year was so unusual. An interest list will go out before the end of the year so that elections can be held.

Our current Treasurer, Margarida Eidson, no longer has a student at FTHS so we need to recruit someone that can take over from her as soon as possible. Email Valeri or Hollee if you are interested in this role or know someone who would be. Margarida has made it easy and will train the replacement.

Principal's Report Russell Gibbs

Two weeks from tomorrow kids will be on campus! Faculty and staff are working hard to get ready. Freshman orientation schedule will go out to parents tomorrow. Drop in parent Q&A sessions will be scheduled for next week.

About a third of students have decided to stay virtual for the rest of the year.

Graduation planning is ongoing and will be communicated by the district through Parent Square.

VP Report Amanda Armitage

Amanda will work with the Fundraising committee to help ensure they get dates locked down for the Fundraiser and to make sure there's a communication plan.

Treasurer Margarida Eidson

No Treasurer report this month.

Membership

Hollee King Winegar

Sueanne is hoping to distribute the remainder of the tee shirts during the next materials pick up event. Sueanne and Hollee to meet to coordinate emails to parents that still have tee shirts to pick up. An alternative is to send them home with the kids when they are back on campus.

Boosters Shontaia Dixon

Shontaia informed us that everyone is excited to get sports up and running again. There are a number of sports starting. Indoor sports players are getting tested every week. Shontaia is the VP of the boosters and can carry any information back to them.

PAC Rep Natalie Mueller

No PAC report this month

Fundraiser Report

Tiffany Emch and/or Dushyanth Perera

Tiffany and Dushyanth were not present but Hollee shared that the biggest fundraiser of the year is traditionally the gala. Some years it is more or less formal. Most of the money comes not from the tickets but from the auction and the liquor. Last year without the Gala, we did an online auction. Raised about \$8000.

This year there will again be an online auction. The group has picked a theme, which is "is Zoomin' into the Future." Melanie will train them on how to use Bidding Owl, the online auction tool. Shannon Bryson will help train them, too. The group is planning solicit items to auction through March and April and have the auction in May.

Hospitality Iliana Soto

No report this month.

Teacher Appreciation Report

Shontaia Dixon

This year is almost over and very little has been done for the teachers to date. We are considering gift cards for \$25 Amazon and \$50 for restaurants as they are reopening. Additionally considering gift cards for paraeducators, night custodians and other staff members as well. To cover the costs, we'll need to add some funding to the budget for teacher appreciation. This will be worked out with Margarida and voted on in a subsequent meeting.

Hollee Motion to have Shontaia and Valerie explore \$50 gift cards for staffulty restaurants, come back to us with a budget and determine where to find the additional dollars from the budget. Val seconded. Motion passed.

Parliamentarian Report

Liana Aguirre

No report this month

9th Grade Parent Representative

Stephanie Quintana-Herbert

No report this month

10th Grade Parent Representative Sueanna Chadbourne

No report this month

11th Grade Parent Representative Barbara Beltran Walker

No report this month

Shannon Bryson

12th Grade Parent Representative No report this month

OLD BUSINESS

1. None

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Mr. Gibbs expressed confidence in the plan for return to school, and acknowledged the anxiety of teachers and students. He would like to give the staffulty something special to show appreciation for the teachers. He suggested leaving a gift on their desk on the first day back, March 31. Ideas included individually wrapped treats (like Nothing Bundt Cake), Mugs and Starbucks cards, breakfast boxes, etc. Hollee, Shontaia, Kimberly, and others will get together to work out the details.
- 2. Kimberly to send details of Axxess and Amazon smile to Mr. Gibbs to post on Parent Square.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Next PFSO Meeting: Tues., April 20, 2021 @ 6:30 PM
- First day of hybrid in person instruction: March 31 (Group A), April 1 (Group B)
- Spring Break: April 2-9

FINAL REMARKS

- Remember when ordering from Amazon to use AmazonSmile and select Foothill Technology High School PFSO https://smile.amazon.com/
- 2. Axxess Fundraiser: Go to https://axxesscard.com/fundraising/ and click BUY NOW. At checkout, select *Foothill Technology High School* and type in your student's name so they get credit for the awesome prizes available!

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned at 7:43pm by Hollee King Winegar.