SHS PTO Minutes Nov. 14 2016

Attendees: Elisa Bennett, Christy Bangerter, Sarah Pearce, John Huelskamp, Dana Halvorsen, Deanne Bays, Beth Gilstrap, Michelle McHugh, Jill Eilers, Sonia Niebergall, Lori Duffens, Tamara Kawasaki, RayAnn Armony.

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm. The October minutes were read and approved with corrections.

Treasurer's Report: Sarah

The starting balance was \$25,632 and ending balance was \$35,943 with mostly concession sales coming in. See budget spreadsheet. Our balance is comparable to last year. Youth Football concession sales contributed to our fundraising goals. Some of our sales are down a bit from last year, probably due to poor weather. Some of the smaller donations for various sources do add up in the miscellaneous category. Promoting AmazonSmile on the PTO Facebook page and encouraging people to use it during the holidays would be beneficial.

Write-a-check student requests for funds:

- 1. Winter Guard, a new club at SHS, requested \$5000 to help with a trip to CA. There are about 20 kids that will be participating. They are willing to work in the concession stands. \$250 was approved and they will work 5 shifts in the concession stands once winter sports start.
- 2. A student is doing a leadership project for Union Gospel Mission's Life Change Center to make holiday boxes for residents. **We determined that individual student projects that do not directly benefit SHS student body are not eligible for PTO funds because SHS donor's intent must be respected. In addition, each leadership student will be doing a community project and the PTO does not currently have the funds to support them all.** No funds were approved for this project.

College and Career Center: Michelle

We have 62 mentors working with Juniors and Seniors. Parent letters have gone out and the first meetings are going on. There have been/will be 85 colleges that have visited SHS. Additionally, PCC will be coming twice in December.

Concessions: We are moving to indoor sports for the winter.

Grad Party: The last day for the pie fundraiser is tomorrow, Tuesday 15.

Merchandise:

Sales are lower than last year. They will be doing a big sale at TeamUni on Sat and Sun. Dec. 10-11 with 10% off all SHS gear. Advertising and signage options were discussed.

They will also be selling merchandise one Friday a month during lunches for the next several months. We will send out reminders on Facebook and to the parent volunteers about opportunities to purchase SHS merchandise for the holidays.

Staff Appreciation: There will be a December event.

Volunteer Coordinator: Sonia

She will be send out a thank yous before Thanksgiving to express our gratitude for the countless hours volunteers have already logged on behalf of SHS.

Principal's Report:

- SHS was recognized at the district board meeting tonight for increasing Latino graduation rates by 20% in the last 3 years. The Latino graduation rate is currently 76%. This continues to be an on going school goal, with the goal to be at 90%. Many factors have contributed to the success, but there is still work to do.
- It was a very successful fall sports season. Woman's soccer came in 2nd in state, men's and women's cross country teams both came in 2nd in state, and women's volleyball came in 3rd in state.
- Jersey Mike's grand opening promotion donated \$4124, which will go to funding an upgraded sound system for the gym.
- We would like to schedule a screening of the documentary Screentime for early February and get parents and feeder schools involved. It is a very powerful film that we hope will positively impact how students interact with their media options.
- The holiday food and clothing drive will begin soon.
- o Twelfth Night performances began last week and will continue this weekend.
- Leadership is doing service days by class. The first one will be for Freshman on Dec.
 8 from 2:30-4:00. They will do some clean up around the school.
- The Senior 6 months to graduation count down breakfast will be on Dec. 8.
- School Signage update: The initial drafts will be go up over Thanksgiving break.
 Parents and students may offer feedback before they are produced. Hopefully the signage project will done by end of school year.
- o There will be a Clothing Swap hosted by students during the December.

New Business:

The Beaverton High School PTO has reached out to get together to start transitioning plans for students with the new boundary changes. There will be an informal meeting on Dec. 7.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 pm. Minutes submitted by Christy Bangerter