Southridge Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)
Southridge High School Booster Council Inc. dba Southridge PTO
Executive Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 13, 2020

A meeting of the PTO was held Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at 5:18pm via Zoom Conference.

Attendees included: Ilirija Encinas & Jen Moser— Co-Presidents, Shannon Duffy — Secretary, Becky O'Malia- VP-Volunteer Coordinator, Gina Spanu— Member at Large and David Nieslanik — Principal.

A quorum was present at this meeting.

Call to Order: 5:15pm

<u>Introductions</u>

Administration Update

- > David reported that Zoom upgraded their system last night and is still updating today causing issues for some classes.
- > The district will be on furlough every Friday through the end of July for Administrators. Classified staff and teachers will be on furlough through mid-June. By doing this it will save the district approximately 55 teacher positions.
- ➤ The Student Success Act is funding at 40% of its max due to Covid-19 business issues.
- > There is speculation if the Governor will open the "Rainy Day" fund to help schools, emergency responders, etc. There should be more information available on May 20th.
- > The district has frozen all spending for the remainder of the school year.
- ➤ The hope is that the economy will improve by end of summer. Schools are providing 5%, 10% and 15% reduction scenarios to the Superintendent in the event the economy doesn't improve for the General Fund. If a 10% cut is required, 6-7 teachers will be lost at SRHS. If a 15% is required, schools will revert to 2012 planning which is a reduction of approximately 10 staff members. It doesn't mean that teachers will be cut, it could be programs, sports, etc.
- > Social Distancing options are being researched for the next school year to keep students and staff safe.
- > There is no guarantee that school will resume in the Fall.
- > Currently there is an average 70% attendance rate on Canvas for students at this time which is higher than the national average.

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- > Senior letters were sent out last week and should be arriving to students soon.
- > A task force has been assembled to look at next year's schedule, grading system, P & I, how social distancing impacts events, lunch, etc.
- ➤ Preview Days for next year are 8/26 & 8/27 which will be different from the normal format. David will survey the students for their input about community, unity, etc.
- > The PTO contribution towards staff Mayday baskets was approximately \$140 due to vendors donating many of the items.
- > There are more National Merit scholars in Junior class this year than previous years.
- > Enrollment in rigorous courses for next year has increased.
- Graduation for the Class of 2020 will be held August 2, 2020.

Old Business

Motion was made to approve the PTO minutes from April 8, 2020 and seconded. All attendees were in favor.

PTO Scholarship Application Status

- > As of today, 20 scholarship applications were received which is lower than previous years. There are 15 reviewers who will have their recommendations to the Board by Monday.
- > Two scholarship recipients will be chosen by school counselors of first generation in their families to go to college.

Presentation of the Nominees for 2020-2021 PTO Board

- > The Board will review the open Board positions and solicit volunteers to be voted on at the Board meeting in June.
- > David said he will be sending a Welcome Letter to the families of incoming freshman on May 26 and can include a blurb on behalf of the PTO.

Presentation of Supporting Roles & Committee Members

➤ All current committee members have agreed to return for next year with the exception of Dance Representative. A co-committee chair will be advertised for each committee.

<u>Treasurer's Report – Rachel Schoening</u> Budget Update

> Rachel was unable to attend but will email the proposed budget for the Board to review.

Grant Requests

> David spoke with both staff members who requested funds and the requests can be paid for with administrative funds when the spending freeze is lifted by the District. The PTO did support the

requests, but the process is that all requests are supposed to be approved by David before they are presented to the PTO for funding.

Presentation of Proposed Budget for 2020-2021

> Rachel will email the proposed budget for the 2020-2021 school year to the Board next week for review and to be voted on at the June meeting.

Committee Reports

Grad Night Committee Report – Shawna Meyer

- ➤ Shawna would like to hand out the yard signs to Seniors at her house this Friday. It was suggested that the signs be distributed instead during Senior Turn in Days on 5/19, 5/26, 6/2 and 6/3.
- ➤ A refund from the venue will be sent to the school for the cancellation of the Grad Night party.
- > The committee discussed a proposal on how to spend funds raised at the Graduation Celebration.
- > Donations will not be asked for signs. David will contact Shawn to discuss plans for the August celebration.
- Discussion was held regarding the \$1500 Grad Night line item in the PTO budget. This has always been earmarked to provide tickets to students who do not have the financial means to attend the Grad Night party. Since there will be no tickets purchased for the 2020 graduation celebration, a motion was made that the funds would not be used this year. Motion seconded and all attendees in favor.

Skymart Report – Ilirija Encina son behalf of Diane Scannell

- > Diane and Ilirija inventoried all food in Skymart. Any food that would expire by September was donated to Club Hope.
- > Donations for raffle baskets auctioned at the Spaghetti Feed in March for the Sustainability Fund totaled \$29.25 which was within budget.
- There were open orders in the Skymart Square account that were addressed and closed in the system. One order remains open for an apparel item. Customer will be contacted to see if they still wish to receive the item or would prefer to be refunded.

Staff Appreciation

- David reported that a bag containing gladiola bulbs, candy, snacks, bubble wrap for stress relief, a bingo board for prizes, potted plant and other items with a note that said "May your day be celebrated. Much appreciation from SRHS Admin and the PTO." were delivered to all teachers during staff appreciation week.
- Positive notes of encouragement are being sent to staff each week from the Admin team.

Apparel Report

- > The Board will meet to discuss future apparel orders depending on OSAA guidelines for sports next year.
- ➤ An apparel inventory will be done before the school year ends.

Volunteer Report –Becky O'Malia

- > Becky asked if she should send a volunteer request out for Preview Days. David said he will know better the week of July 6 what can be planned and the volunteer needs.
- > Becky will send an email to volunteers to remind them to update their volunteer accounts and schools that their children will be attending.

Dance Representative

Volunteers to serve as Dance Representatives will be recruited.

Website/Social Media Report - Ilirjia Encinas & Jen Moser

- > No promotions of school apparel sales will be held until the next school year.
- > The new website will need to be live by July 1st as the current Go Daddy account will be ending.
- > Board members should update and begin using the PTO email accounts.

New Business

None.

The next General Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 10th, 2020 via Zoom conference.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 7:13pm.