

BARRINGTON HIGH SCHOOL PTO
STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

MAY 19, 2008

IN ATTENDANCE: Britta Wasem, Kathy Weidner, Terri Colby Moore, Debbie Argianas, Christine Bruner, Mona Navitsky, Cathy Wloch, Gail Foote, Barb Newman, Ann McSorley, Janis Krissinger, Sandy Bollenbacher, Sue Randall, Kathy Mangan, Ann Kimes, Penny Kazmier, Barbara Laughlin-Karon, Lisa Nelson, Deanna Griffin, Kathy Pescheret, Jacqueline Husa Solosky, Kathy Tabak, Judy Okazaki, Karen Poglitsch, Sue Hyde, Mary Ann Miller, Marla Combs

Kathy Weidner called the meeting to order at 9:27AM.

Gail Foote made a motion to approve the board minutes from the meeting on May 5, 2008. Judy Okazaki seconded and the motion passed. Mary Ann Miller was added in the attendance portion.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Kathy Weidner stated that the Senior Celebration currently has 430 students who purchased tickets.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: no report

TREASURER'S REPORT: Terri Moore reported the following balances: PTO \$11,032.11 and Academic Boosters \$5685.25. Receipts should be turned to Terri ASAP. Mona Navitsky approved the Treasurers report. Janice Krissinger seconded and the motion passed.

Christine Bruner donated Microsoft Publisher. This will be for Julie McGowan to use for the newsletter next year.

The 2008/2009 budget was adjusted. \$100 was added for the Welcoming committee. \$100 in administration will be used to purchase coffee for the mailing committee. The budget will be voted on at the Sept meeting.

FACULTY REPORTS:

Guidance- Jill Fearday and Joan Bell stated that 2 weeks of AP testing are completed and there will be 2 more weeks of Late AP testing. This late testing is due to illness or conflicts. The air conditioning in the wrestling gym worked out well.

Registration is being worked on for final scheduling conflicts. By June 5 all schedules will be clean and complete. Counselors will be looking at prerequisites over the summer. Registration will be the week of August 18th.

Senior check out is this Wednesday and senior finals (if needed) are Thursday and Friday.

Faculty Representative- no report

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: Emil Rode reported that the girls track team placed second in state.

Prom was successful; there were only minor incidences to report. The additional security worked well. The threat of violence at the prom is an open police investigation.

Paul Gillette reported that Stewart Rogers is the schools new photographer. Photos for next year's yearbook are being taken this May.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Academic Boosters- Deanna Griffin reported that almost \$51,000 in donations had been received. Donations are still trickling in. There is an excess of \$5600 in the account. Discussion ensued on the use of the extra money. It was suggested that Academic Booster money only be used to purchase what was stated in the brochure. It was also decided that next year Academic Booster money would be disbursed when items are purchased. This way interest can be collected. The school district will be asked for an accounting from Bonnie Bjorkman on how the money was spent. It will also be suggested than technology updates be installed over holiday break instead of waiting until the following summer. This way current seniors would benefit from donations made that same year. Sue Hyde indicated that she would talk with Bonnie Bjorkman. The excess funds will stay in Academic Boosters account unless there is a current need.

College/ Class Programs- Claire Hamilton stated that the "Ask the Experts" program was moved to March 10.

Directory- no report

Fine Art- The choir banquet is this week at Makray. The theater banquet will also be held this week. The choir is traveling to China and the band is traveling to Walt Disney World this summer. Art in the Park will be held in October.

Hospitality- Sandy Bollenbacher reported that brownies and ice cream were served to the staff. New volunteers were asked to help out.

Mailings- no report

Morningline- no report

Newsletter- no report

Nominating- no report

Publicity- no report

Registration- no report

School Board- Penny Kazmier stated that there would be a school board meeting tomorrow. 50 people attended the Saturday morning meeting on prom security. This was to address the threat of violence at prom. The district communications and meeting were well received by parents and students.

Senior Celebration- Mary Ann Miller reported that 431 seniors have signed up for the event. An additional 12 students from the baseball team may attend depending on whether or not they win the playoffs. There are 16 chaperones and 10 staff members attending. The fundraising has been successful. T-shirts will be given out at senior checkout. Security is in the process of being organized.

Webmaster- Judy Okazaki gave her tech tip on web 2.0. This will change the Internet by making it more social and interactive. Clouds will track what you are doing and link you with others with the same interests.

Welcoming- no report

OLD BUSINESS: Sandy Bollenbacher stated that she is in possession of 750 booties from the past housewalks. They will be given to Mary Ann Miller to store.

NEW BUSINESS: Ann Kimes stated that the District 220 Foundation was hosting a fundraiser on Friday Sept 27th. The event would be a golf outing and party at Makray Golf Club. "Way Past Curfew" is scheduled to perform at the event.

Sue Randall stated that the District 220 Foundation was receiving positive feedback on being a primary sponsorer for the District 220 speaker series.

Barb Newman motioned to adjourn the meeting. Sue Hyde seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 11:00AM.

Respectfully submitted

Karen Poglitsch
Secretary

NEXT MEETING: September 8, 2008 at 9:15AM.

