

**Minutes of the  
Point Loma High School PTSA Meeting  
Monday, April 3, 2006**

ATTENDANCE: 18

CALL TO ORDER: Diana Antonini (VP Ways & Means) called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. in the PLHS Media Center and welcomed all in attendance. March minutes were approved via e-mail.

Elaine Block, a representative of Pt. Loma branch of Washington Mutual Bank presented a check in the amount of \$1,211.40 to the PTSA. This was a result of points accumulated by their customers who designated PLHS as the recipient. She described their "WaMoola for Schools" program which rewards school organizations with "WaMoola" for participating. Details of the program can be found at [www.wamoolaforschools.com](http://www.wamoolaforschools.com).

ADMINISTRATION REPORT: Bobbie Samilson's report included a brief update on the immigration issues that surfaced on campus last week. Very few students left campus and returned soon after. Information and talking points were distributed by the district and the PAC was opened during lunchtime for a discussion led by Mr. McElhaney and Mr. Silliphant. The pep rally was moved to April 21<sup>st</sup> in order to diffuse any precarious situations that could have arisen. WASC update: PLHS overall did very well, thanks in part to the parents who participated and spoke highly of the faculty and staff. Main objective was to be sure all students and parents are able to voice their views on school curriculum, policies, and procedures. A need for more writing in the classrooms was one criticism. Also, increased staff development will take place next year. Bobbie briefly discussed the recent API scores. PLHS has improved, but is still ranked as a "2" when compared with other schools with similar demographics.

Gifts & Grants: The Executive Board met recently to discuss ways to allocate the \$8,747 available for grants. **Steve Hall made motions to approve the following grant requests. All motions carried.**

\$1,200 to keep the school web site up and running for another year.

\$1,500 for testing day snacks.

\$2,200 to the Science Department for general supplies (with offer of assistance in applying for grants to cover additional expenses).

\$2,000 towards the digital classroom project (Kurt Kalbfleisch will contact Matt Spathas so see if there are any specific needs).

\$600 for field trips and/or busses.

Funds will be disbursed upon receiving of an invoice or receipt as proof of purchase.

In addition, \$500 had already been approved by the EB for the History Department to purchase awards. The \$1,000 that had previously been earmarked for the Foundation was retracted. The Foundation is not giving grants this year, so our \$1,000 will go back into the budget.

TREASURER'S/ REPORT: Darlene Truver distributed the treasurer's report for March. She projected out to the end of the year, and there is \$22,013.43 left in the account. **Elisa Cusato made a motion to approve report and expenses. M/A.**

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Steve Hall thankfully deferred to Vicki Shepperd Chin to present the slate of officers for 2006-07. Slate will be posted according to the bylaws and will be voted on at the May meeting. Key positions still available are VP Ways & Means (Kickoff Chair), Outreach, and Newsletter Editor. Everyone is encouraged to try to find volunteers for these positions.

NEW BUSINESS Karen Pinterich announced that the Titan Corporation is willing to give the school a color copier (valued at \$13,000) and 2 large monitors. The copier needs to be moved from the company to the school by professional movers, and she estimated that it would cost no

more than \$200. ***S. Hall made a motion to approve up to \$200 to be spent on moving the copier and monitors from Titan to the school site. M/C.***

Diana Antonini asked for volunteers for the STAR testing. First gathering will be on April 22 (Saturday) in Room 902.

Leslie Hanna asked for volunteers to help set up refreshments for the underclassmen awards assembly. It was decided that instead of cake, we'd have cookies (less labor intensive).

Holli Ewell is organizing Teacher Appreciation Week. There are plans to replant the courtyard the weekend before the celebration and she needs volunteers.

Vicki Shepperd-Chin reminded us that this is the last week for nominations for the Honorary Service Awards. The committee will meet on Friday to determine the award recipients.

Maureen McGrath was introduced as next year's Freshman Class Sponsor.

ADJOURN: Next meeting: May 8 at 6:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Coyne, PTSA Recording Secretary