

**Point Loma High School – Pointer Association  
November 14, 2016 General Session and Board of Directors Meeting  
Meeting Minutes**

Respectfully Submitted by: Donna Schmidt, Secretary

**In Attendance:**

**PLHS PA Officers:**

Scott Deschenes, VP of External  
Tacy Armstrong, VP of Internal  
Tom Xitco, Treasurer  
Donna Schmidt, Secretary

**PA Board of Directors:**

Julie Bass, Athletics Booster Director

**PLHS Representatives and PLHS Staff:** Principal Hans Becker, Amy Denney (Faculty Representative), Sarah Brandl (Counseling), Sean Wells (Arts)

**PA Members:** Diane Sullivan, Laurie Benham, Karen Duvall Meyer, Terri Webster, Heidi Mather, Gina Vargus, Alisa Barba, Connie Tepper, Isaac Brandl, Chrissy Pickett, Carrie Spillane, Sasha Silverman

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 6:14 p.m. by Tacy Armstrong, Vice President of the PLHS Pointer Association, who presided in Brant Brockett's absence.

**Introductions and General Business:** Attendees introduced themselves to the group.

**Meeting Minutes:** The meeting minutes are uploaded to the digital filing cabinet. The following meeting minutes were reviewed and the following actions were taken.

Meeting minutes of Board of Directors and General Meeting of PLHS PA, October 10, 2016  
There was a motion by Scott Deschenes, and seconded by Tacy Armstrong, to approve the minutes of the PLHS PA, dated October 10, 2016 as written. All in favor – none opposed.

**Principal's Report – Hans Becker**

- Mara Santoni-Cruz, Financial Clerk, has been promoted within the District and is taking a new position in the SDUSD. Some of her duties have been reassigned and they are in the process of interviewing to fill this position.
- Lighting is being installed in the stadium – remain under construction – poles to be hoisted and installed the day after Christmas.
- Site modernization project moving forward – Mr. Becker is meeting with architects.
- The school is back on SDGE power, transformers have been replaced and the generators have been removed.
- Last week fire alarms were going off – fire alarms were being pulled as pranks by teenagers with dares on Facebook. Two were suspended and two were arrested.

- The Math Department is going through Professional Development and entire Math team is evaluating math instruction in the classroom – the entire department is coming together and working together as a unit – many subs will be utilized in math as regular teachers devote the time necessary.

### **Faculty Representative – Amy Denney**

- Provided the ASB report. ASB is helping out ROTC with a food drive, going on through mid-December.
- After the break ASB will be holding a new blood drive.
- Start of winter sports was noted, along with a December 9 pep rally.

### **ASB Report – Moorea Makis, ASB Treasurer for 2016-17**

- No report (given by Ms. Denney)

### **Sarah Brandl – Head Counselor**

- Finishing one-on-one check ins with 9<sup>th</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup> graders. Brief meetings but positive feedback.
- ILT (Instructional Leadership Team) – is working on how to better serve at risk students. Team meeting with core teachers to dialog and identify students who may need support.

### **Athletic Director – Report Given by Hans Becker (for Alex Van Heuven not in attendance)**

- Girls volleyball – CIF/State playoffs begin on Wednesday.
- Football – 7:00 p.m. game at PLHS v. St. Augustine on 11/18 at 7:00 p.m.
- Cross Country – CIF Championship meet on Saturday, 11/19.
- Winter sports tryouts this week.
- All Athletic clearances are now being processed through Gary Hanson, Coach Alex Van Heuven, and Vice Principal Kelly Lowry since Mara is leaving. Athletic clearances are good for the entire school year across multiple seasons sports.
- A concern regarding charging for CIF tickets – if young students didn't have a student ID, they were charged an adult rate. CIF rules apply in this case, but Mr. Becker will follow up on the event to ensure there is clarification on price of tickets for children (not to be charged the adult prices).

### **Treasurer's Report – Tom Xitco**

PLHS-PA Square Deposits – There is \$521.24 in money that was taken in by use of the square that needs to be identified so it can be allocated to the correct Booster Account. Julie Bass will continue to research it. The PA budget for 2016-17 was reviewed. The audit has started for 2015-16 – Kirsten Wade is undertaking this work at PLHS PA Auditor. Funds identified for distribution include the Scoreboard for the Stadium and funds for PLHS faculty & staff gifts and

grants for fall 2016.

Chrissy Pickett reviewed the needs of ROTC in response to a question about gifts and grants—Chrissy stated that there is a need for polos so ROTC members do not have to always wear their full uniform. ROTC helps with many PLHS events on campus and also staffs events at local cluster middle schools. She stated that there are 122 students enrolled in ROTC.

**Pointer Priorities Discussion:** Tacy Armstrong presented the Pointer Priorities to the PA as determined by a subcommittee who had gathered and reviewed information submitted from faculty and others throughout the year. After considerable discussion, the four Pointer Priorities making it to the immediate need list include: Filtered Water Fountains, PA System for Big Gym, PAC Projector and Crank Pencil Sharpeners. Other projects on the list could be considered at a later time and others were not something the PA would consider. More information and research will be conducted and information will be provided at next PA meeting.

**Gifts & Grants Funding:** Laurie Benham and Gina Vargus presented the submissions and review/recommendations for the awarding of money in gifts/grants for 2016-17, based on their November 10, 2015 meeting and a review with Principal Becker. The total amount of gifts and grants approved was recorded by the secretary. The PA doesn't fund uniforms which were not considered and several requests for athletic equipment could be purchased directly through PLHS funds so they did not move forward. Tacy Armstrong made a motion to approve gifts and grants as submitted, seconded by Principal Becker. The motion passed unanimously (none opposed).

### **Director & Chair Reports**

#### **Athletic Boosters Director – Julie Bass**

- Met with heads of Booster clubs and the meeting was positive – Boosters were happy about being able to sell merchandise at the homecoming game.

#### **Protect Our Pointers Director – Eleanor Snyder**

- No report

#### **Arts Boosters Director– Angelica Wilson**

- Arts is having wine & paint night fund raiser on Thursday, 11/17
- NCT show on Thursday, 11/17
- Band Winter Concert at PLNU on December 12
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#### **Vice President of External Report – Scott Deschenes**

- Gifts & Grants as previously covered.

#### **Vice President of Internal Report – Tacy Armstrong**

- There will be a Book Fair with Book Star in December which the PA is sponsoring as a fund

raiser for the Library

### **Parliamentarian Position**

- Tacy Armstrong introduced Carrie Spillane who served for many years on UCSD's Board of Trustees. Carrie gave a brief overview of her experience and the importance of a Parliamentary position on non-profit boards, to establish rules of order and ensure there is no appearance of impropriety. Tacy Armstrong made a motion that Carrie Spillane be appointed as Parliamentary Chair for the PA, and it was seconded by Scott Deschenes. It passed unanimously (none opposed).

### **Director of Communications (Tiffany DaSilva / Vicki Moats)**

- No report

### **Director of Public Relations – Alisa Barba**

- Alisa is planning to send a series of articles in the e-blast about the Pointer Association. This idea was well received and she will include information on the awarding of Gifts & Grants to PLHS faculty and coaches. Also reminded those present to send information to her to include in *The Beacon* and also she noted the PLHS Facebook page.

### **Alumni Association Director– Kim Jessop-Moore**

- No report

### **Giving Campaign Chair – Diane Sullivan**

Diane will include an article in an upcoming e-blast to ask for donations. Pointer Priorities that need additional funding will be highlighted to give people a goal and focus for their giving. She will also acknowledge the generous donation by Arron Price to the PA.

### **Scholarships – Andrea Lower**

No report

### **Volunteer Programs Chair – Upcoming Activities – Laura Verhees**

No report

### **Volunteer Positions Remaining Open on Pointer Association (Donna Schmidt):**

Positions vacant and needing to be filled in 2016-17 include:

Three BOD positions: Fund Raising Director, Activities & Projects Director and Campus Facilities Director.

Other open positions include: Web Store Chair, Campus Improvement/ Beautification Chair, Self-Help Projects Chair, Graduation Set-Up/Clean-Up Chair (Junior Class), Assistant Fund Raising Director, Annual Fundraising Party/Event Chair, Public Relations Chair, Pointer Association Social Chair and Welcome/Social Event Chair, New Family & Freshman Parents Chair, Web Store Chair, Treasurer Protect Our Pointers (POP), POP Funding Raising Chair, POP Public Relations Chair, and POP Social Media Chair.

**New Business, Roundtable, Announcements**

There will not be a December Pointer Association meeting held – instead the members of the Board of Directors will get together to focus on how they can operate with increase effectiveness. Carrie Spillane will attend. The Board of Directors was asked to provide dates they are available in December (preferably a Friday, Saturday and Sunday).

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

**Upcoming Pointer Association Meetings (held in PLHS Library), 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month:**

December Meeting – No Meeting	Monday, March 13, 2017, 6:00 p.m.
Monday, January 9, 2017, 6:00 p.m.	Monday, April 10, 2017, 6:00 p.m.
Monday, February 13, 2017, 6:00 p.m.	Monday, May 8, 2017, 6:00 p.m.
	June 2017 - Year-End PA Social – Date TBD