

POINT LOMA HIGH SCHOOL - POINTER ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors and General Session Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 11, 2019

Prepared by: Dana Nuanez, Secretary

In Attendance

PA Board of Directors Present: Scott Deschenes, Vice President, External Reports
Tom Xitco, Treasurer & Officer
Dana Nuanez, Secretary & Officer
Nicole Taylor, Boosters Director

PLHS Representatives and PLHS Staff: Hans Becker, Sarah Brandl

PA Community: Becky Rhea, Kirstin Rone, Mike Ona, Kankisi Apaak, Kathee Weisenberg, Michelle Huber, Sue Passman.

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 6:01pm by Scott Deschenes. It was determined that a quorum of the Board of the Directors of the Pointer Association was not achieved (4 of 9 present). Absent were: Brant Brockett, Melinda Albright, Leigh Burdine, Nicole Taylor, Kim Jessop-Moore

I. Introductions and General Business

Introductions: No introductions.

Meeting Minutes: The meeting minutes are uploaded to the digital filing cabinet. The meeting minutes of the PLHS PA dated February 11, 2019 were tabled until the April 11, 2019 meeting as a quorum of the Board of Directors was not in attendance.

II. School Reports

Principal's Report (Hans Becker).

- Point Loma High School is officially under construction, which started last week. Construction trailers will be dropped in the senior parking lot. Fourteen (14) temporary classrooms will be installed by May 3rd to accommodate AP testing.
- The VP position has been filled. Dana Tolomeo is coming from Chicago for the permanent VP position.

Faculty Report (Amy Denny)

- Spirit Week will be held the week of March 18 – March 22.

ASB President (Skye Pickett, ASB Secretary)

- The application window for ASB closed last Friday; elections will be held in April as needed.
- Available for purchase at MAD Days next year will be an all-in-one dance ticket for \$75 without ASB card, \$100 with ASB card.

- ASB is learning how to work the new marquee.
- An ASB representative went to a meeting about the Wellness Room. In the nurse's office there are two rooms for sick students; one room is being converted into a wellness room for "mental health". ASB's goal is to provide an inviting environment by providing soothing music, tea, couches, etc. PLHS is trying to create a safe space where students can go to focus on mental health. ASB asked if there is any type of grant that the PA can give to help supply the items for the wellness room. The PA requested that the group put together a proposal for the items needed. Local businesses will be asked for donations, too.

Head Counselor Report (Sarah Brandl)

- Last week counselors finished meeting one-on-one with students to discuss next year's schedules.
- Senior Scholarships are coming up; PLHS scholarship applications are coming out the week before Spring Break.

Athletic Director Report (Alex Van Heuven)

- Update provided by Hans Becker.
- Interviews are underway for a new volleyball coach.

III. PL Cluster Foundation Report (Julie Morgan)

- February Cluster Meeting was held March 4, 2019
- Local Committee & Accountability Program (LCAP) review sessions:
 - Where is our feedback going and is it impactful?
- Two Parent Education Topic Sub-committees formed with future meetings as follow:
 - April 17 @ 6PM, Raising Children in the Digital Age at Dana Middle School
 - May 6 @ PLCSF, Kids Don't Learn from Success as party of PLCSF meeting at Correia
- Mike McQuary extended conversation about increasing revenue. If everyone went to school, revenues would increase by six percent (6%).
- What does professional development look like in the Point Loma cluster was covered by Tanya McMillian:
 - Principals can pick professional development topics.
 - Looking to build the guaranteed viable curriculum across the district: Starbucks of education.
 - Topics for future professional development: designing for engagement, creating inclusive and diverse culture, focus on math and STEAM, reducing trauma, creating a culture of positive failure, "No Place for Hate" initiative.
- Round Table topics:
 - Ten (10) more seats are open for Point Loma library program, ages 9-12. Go to website for more information.
 - Military family life counselors are being onboarded to Dana, Correia, Cabrillo.
 - Cabrillo principal, Irene Hightower, moving to Tierra Santa.
 - MADCAPS annual benefit show is this week.
 - Concern about new ordinance allowing people to live out of their cars. We are working out a community message and feedback process.
- Define action/communication items:

- It is important to come to school every day. Chronic absences affect learning and funding. Parents are encouraged to work with the school to minimize absences.
- Potential future topics at PLCSF: Trauma Informed Care, Inclusivity in Schools.
- Next meeting: April 1st.

IV. Treasurer's Report (Tom Xitco)

- All bank accounts have been reconciled through February 28, 2019.
- During February, the PA purchased the Track & Field equipment and the Track & Field Booster Club made the first payment.
- Tom Xitco would like to remind Hans Becker to send a request for reimbursement of the scoreboard.
- Emails will be sent to booster groups that haven't cashed PA checks for several months.

V. Vice President - Internal Reports – Melinda Albright

- No update

Activities & Projects Director (Becky Rhea)

- Time to plan for The Bite of Point Loma and the Loma Club is on-board to host the event.
- Event Date: May 14, 2019
- Becky inquired about the volunteer list from the beginning of the year. Leigh Burdine confirmed that she has the list; it is on google docs and available for download.
- Volunteer / planning meeting to be held.

Boosters Director (Nicole Taylor)

- Next All Booster meeting has been moved to March 14, 2019. This will be a mandatory meeting to discuss all the details of POP, future funding for facilities maintenance, and certification of coaches to use weight training facilities.

VI. Vice President - External Reports (Scott Deschenes)

- No report.

Communications Director (Leigh Burdine / PLHSnews@gmail.com)

- No report.

Publicity Chair (Vacant)

- No report

Alumni Association Director (Kim Jessop-Moore)

- No report

Gifts & Grants (Kathee Weisenberg)

- Confirmed that the deadline for the next round of Gifts and Grants is March 15th.
- Would like to hold a meeting on April 3rd to review this round of requests and then present at the April Board Meeting.

- Confirmation requested as to what Gifts & Grants should fund. Gifts & Grants does not supply things that the school district should be supplying; i.e., safety equipment. Gifts & Grants does not fund uniforms.
- Kathee Weisenberg volunteered to hold this position through 2025. Will explore ways to streamline the process to make it more efficient.

VII. New Business, Roundtable, Announcements

- Becky Rhea inquired about planning for the next gala, which falls in 2020. Discussion held about leveraging volunteers from The Bite to help with the gala. Becky Rhea stated that the PA needs to inform people of the specific volunteer needs and is willing to help with this. An idea was floated to educate the Pointer community about the importance of the event, that it is the biggest fundraiser for the PA, where the money is spent, etc. A planning meeting should be held to discuss ideas. Michelle Huber stated she may be willing to organize the event. This will be the 95th anniversary gala.
- Rhapsody is on May 10th.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Upcoming PLHS Pointer Association Meetings (held in PLHS Library), 2nd Monday of each month:

Monday April 8, 2019, 6:00pm

Monday, May 13, 2109, 6:00pm

Date TBD for Year-End Party