

POINT LOMA HIGH SCHOOL - POINTER ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors and General Session Meeting
Zoom Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 8, 2021

Prepared by: Dana Nuanez, Secretary

In Attendance

PA Board of Directors Present: Brant Brockett, President
 Scott Deschenes, Vice President
 Tom Xitco, Treasurer
 Dana Nuanez, Secretary & Officer
 Leigh Burdine, Communications Director
 Nicole Taylor, Booster Director

PLHS Representatives and PLHS Staff: Kelly Lowry, Manny Diaz

Pointer Association (PA) Community: Jen Doud, Beth Roach

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 6:18PM by Brant Brockett. It was determined that a quorum of the Board of the Directors of the Pointer Association was achieved (6 of 9 present). Absent were: Nazare Judd, Becky Rhea, Kim Jessop-Moore,

I. Introductions and General Business

Introductions: None.

Meeting Minutes: Folders are on the PLHS website for the 2020/2021 school year. The agendas and meeting minutes are uploaded to the digital filing cabinet. The Meeting Minutes of the PLHS Point Association (PA) dated February 8, 2021 were reviewed. Scott Deschenes made a **motion** to approve the meeting minutes. Jen Doud seconded the motion. All approved, none opposed.
Motion passed.

Open Discussion.

- Nothing discussed.

II. School Reports

Principal's Report (Kelly Lowry).

- Acknowledgement was made that Manny Diaz, Athletic Director, has been working frantically over the past few weeks with all the rapid changes in athletics and wanted to make certain that he receives kudos for the work he has done.
- Return date for teachers is April 5, 2021; students April 12, 2021. Parents were sent a survey to respond as to what they were seeking with respect to a return to school. The campus is ready; classrooms are set up, air purifiers have been installed, HVAC system is ready. Looking at passing period with all the construction. Doing everything possible to get the campus ready when the green light is received to open.
- Construction update. The wood fencing has been removed. Sidewalk in front of the school is being redone. The Amphitheatre is now under construction with a May scheduled completion date. Construction is taking advantage of no students on campus.

- SAT is re-scheduled for May 24th. Parent meeting will be scheduled in the next few weeks for those kids who are signed up.
- Budgets for the 2021/22 school year are finalized and approved. Planning on a school year that is close to normal as possible, including a six (6) period day. Doud inquired about a news story that SDUSD teachers are not showing up for vaccines and inquired if this was true and if that will be an issue and/or does he see any other impediments. Lowry does not know if this is true; emails came out from the district to schedule appointments for vaccines and all staff and employees were given the opportunity to get a vaccine. The timeline to reopen is aggressive; Lowry's understanding is that San Diego must be in the red tier and all have the opportunity to get a vaccine. Reopening is a condition of collective bargaining. Lowry encouraged parents to contact Board Member Dr. Mike McQuary regarding concerns and/or support. The bargaining is on-going; school receives updates when there are agreements in place.

Faculty Report (Amy Denny)

- Update provided by Lowry.
- Amy Denney is trying to figure out if ASB money can pay for cameras on campus for the sporting events.

ASB President (Maddie Wozniak)

- No update.

Head Counselor Report (Sarah Brandl)

- No update.

Athletic Director Report (Manny Diaz)

- Athletics has been rapidly evolving. Appears that Spring sports season will be as full as it can be, with a condensed season for Fall sports.
- Received approval today for girls' volleyball to get started.
- Moving forward with a full season for outdoor sports.
- Budgets are ready to go and in place; the school will pay the coaches for the units approved by the District.

III. PL Cluster Foundation Report (Isabelle Leyva)

- No update.

IV. Treasurer's Report (Tom Xitco)

- All bank accounts have been reconciled through February 28, 2021.
- A few people have come in to volunteer with the Booster Clubs.

V. Vice President – (Scott Deschenes)

- No fundraising coming up; will need to revisit once school is in session and will need to adjust the timing of The Gala. May need to reschedule The Gala or supplement with another event before 2025.
- Brockett received a request from the History Department for the Annual History Awards. Pat McElhaney inquired about the PA funding the awards. The History Awards has not been part of Gifts and Grants previously, but there has not been a lot of fundraising opportunities this year. The History Department spent all its funds on the History Awards last year and would accept any grants from the PA. Per Xitco, there is not a line item in the budget for History Awards. Brant requested that an eblast be sent to ask people to donate to the History Awards. Per Lowry, Pat McElhaney approached the PA on his suggestion. Deschenes asked what PA funds haven't been earmarked for anything. Xitco stated that budgeted this year for administrative expenses, staff and student programs and insurance; nothing is budgeted in Pointer Priorities. Deschenes recommended giving the History Department something to start with, but not the entire ask,

recommending \$500 - \$1,000 and then assistance with the fundraising efforts. An inquiry was made about the History Department having a sub-account; however, Xitco stated there is not a sub-account for the History Department, but it could easily be set up. Burdine commented that past funds may have gone to McElhaney directly; however, the PA should not be the vehicle for the fundraising. Lowry stated it would be cleaner if the PA helped facilitate the fundraising; uncomfortable with teachers receiving money directly. Brockett likes the idea of a line item in the budget and providing \$500 to get him started. Per Xitco, on the school website, on the PA page, there is a "Contribute" section with a list of designees. If someone could add History Awards to that list, the people can go to that page and donate, and the PA would be able to hold funds for History Awards. Per Lowry, History Awards is already on the website. Brockett recommended the PA donate \$500 to the History Awards and direct McElhaney to instruct people how to donate. Deschenes made a **motion** to donate \$500 to the History Awards as a line item in the budget. Motion seconded by Nicole Taylor. All approved, none opposed. **Motion passed.**

Activities & Projects Director (Becky Rhea)

- No update.

Boosters Director (Nicole Taylor)

- Discussed briefly the recent State of California changes that has allowed sports to resume.
- Taylor has heard from several Booster Clubs over the past week; anticipates that budgets will be submitted.
- An inquiry was made if the AmazonSmile money could be identified by Booster Club. Per Xitco, money is received in a lump sum and cannot be split out.

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

- No update.

Fundraising Director (Nazare Judd)

- No update.

Alumni Association Director (Kim Jessop-Moore)

- No update.

Gifts & Grants (Kathee Weisenberg)

- No update.

VI. New Business, Roundtable, Announcements

- Brockett will send out a request to the current Pointer Association Board asking who would like to be involved in next year's Pointer Association Board.
- End of Year Party. Start thinking about the End of Year Party because it will come up quickly.
- Donation Bricks. Lowry briefly mentioned the donation bricks that are around campus. There will be an opportunity to install more bricks, which will be a fundraising opportunity in the future.
- Jen Doud stated to not forget about the Seniors!

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:00PM.

Future Meetings of the PLHS Pointer Association 2020-2021:

April 12, 2021

May 10, 2020

June TBD, end of year party