

ATTENDING: Jennie Barrow, Jennifer Keenan, Kristin Amberson, Liz McCulley, Suzanne Landry, Miki Zimmer, Julie Giles, Capri Welch, Kecia Williams, Paul Snider Jr., Diane Folse, Wei Ueberschaer, Paula Sarkari, Danny Brothers

President, Jennie Barrow: brought the meeting to order at 8:00am. First order of business was to amend the 2017-2018 PTSO slate as listed;

President-Jennie Barrow, Vice President-Jennifer Keenan, Treasurer-Kristin Amberson, Secretary-Liz McCulley, Grants-Suzanne Landry, Miki Zimmer, Hospitality-Julie Giles, Capri Welch, Membership-Paula Sarkari, Programs-Kecia Williams, Project Graduation-Wei Ueberschaer, SAC Representative-Donna Richards, Student Representative-Paul Snider Jr., Teacher Representative-Diane Folse, Mary Beth Hall, Volunteer Coordinator-Christa Wilson, Principal-Danny Brothers, Vice Principal-Tori Baker

A motion to pass the slate was made by Liz McCulley and 2nd by Diane Folse. Jennie B. will have this posted on the website, passed to student services and a call out done by Principal Danny Brothers.

End of year June minutes were approved by the board, with Wei U. making that motion and Kristin A. second.

Introductions were made around the table and made note, all PTSO positions are filled.

Treasurer, Kristin Amberson: needs the proposed budget (electronically) approved, once it is forwarded via email to the board.

She reported on the entry of funds from Locker days and Orientation night. She deposited an assortment of checks from Lifetime membership, Blue and Gold, PTSO, No Show Nada and Project Grad.

Kristin explained based on new mandate, the monies we accepted for the parking will go directly to the school account; not PTSO. Tiffany, the school treasurer will then cut a check to the PTSO.

Grants, Suzanne Landry: will have Kristin A. pay out on the grants - \$4000.00 budget- and present Tiffany an invoice for reimbursement.

SGA Rep, Paul Snider Jr.: reported the Science Nat'l Honor Society will be researching avenues to purchase & effectively use solar panels in our school. They are looking to raise \$16,000. In donations, of which \$9,900. will hopefully be awarded from a **WILL DO** grant they will apply for. It was discussed that said donors, will be listed on a donor wall outside the cafeteria.

It was suggested Paul and the SGA body, consult with Jennifer Groves and Lynn Erickson and a Gulf Power rep. for guidance.

Principal, Danny Brothers: thanked the committee for all the preplanning, in getting the beginning of the year in order and the parents and students settled for their new school year. The TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE will be the focus for our entire community on August 21st. Mr. Brothers explained since the timing of the event would be during school, the science teachers would be taking their students outside in groups with special viewing glasses to observe. The school will be streaming the NASA coverage on ITV all day. No one will be allowed outside for lunches and the windows in the cafeteria will be covered.

Mr. Brothers described the immense turn out, for the newly improved senior parking fund raiser- under the guidance of PTSO Pres. Jennie B. The two of them came to an exciting and positive compromise in

where and how to enhance this undertaking. Instead of raffling off only 60 spots and painting its curb, each student who paid the \$75.00 were accepted and encouraged to paint the entire spans of the spot! To date, 176 parking spaces have been sold! Mrs. Baker approved each preliminary colored drawing, as the seniors stepped up with gusto & determination. Every student represented ownership and an unmatched pride in themselves and their school. Mr. Brothers, Jennie and the committee, are all very proud and impressed by their creativity.

Jennie B. confirmed we took in \$13,200. from the senior parking fund raiser. She advised the money was handed over to Tiffany. According to the new ruling, all booster club money needs to go through the internal school account. A brief discussion ensued regarding the countless uses. One idea was to fix the reader board, or put money towards replacing it. This discussion was tabled until we have more concrete ideas.

The committee did agree however, to pay \$400.00 out of that money for the pizza truck, which was supplied for the students on painting day. Jennifer K. made this motion, with Kecia W. seconding it. Tiffany will write the check, made out to Rolling Embers.

Mr. Brothers advised GBHS now has the largest student body registered since the early part of 2000, at 1723 students! He went on to announce we have 16 new hires, 85 staff members, 22 non-instructional, 8 custodians and 7 cafeteria employees.

Teacher Representative Diane Folsie: thanked Julie G. and Capri W., along with the committee, for the first teacher appreciation breakfast of the year and she announced the following important dates;

Pep rally's- 8/25, 9/1, 9/15

Homecoming game vs. Ft. Walton Bch – 10/6

Homecoming Dance – 10/7

Project Graduation- Wei Ueberschaer: advised 25 tickets were sold during Sr. locker day. Tickets will continue to be sold for \$25.00, then \$40.00 after Jan. 1st. and can be purchased through the website <https://www.gbhs-projectgrad.org/>

Wei advised ticket sales will be sold in the cafeteria in April as well as a call out for chaperones and Jennie B. will encourage seniors to use their twitter and FB accounts to blast their class of 2018...

IT WAS ANNOUNCED, **GRADUATION IS 5/26 AT 11AM THIS YEAR!**

Hospitality co-chairs, Capri Welch and Julie Giles: advised the teacher appreciation breakfast was a success. Although they began with enough gifts for each teacher, they were informed not all of them received a token of our appreciation. The committee had an open discussion, with suggestions going forward.

Grant co-chairs, Suzanne Landry and Miki Zimmer: confirmed a \$4000.00 budget for this school year, with a cap at \$250.00 per award. They advised the deadline for application will be October 6th and will present the candidates to the board at our October meeting. Suzanne said Tiffany will vet the Department budgets for overlap of funding.

Today's mtg. was adjourned at 8:45 a.m. - Minutes respectively submitted by Liz McCulley, Secretary