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GBHS PTSO Minutes

Aug. 21, 2020

Attending: Allyson Anderson, Kelli Filardi, Cindy Ducote, Liz McCulley, Christa Wilson, Julie Giles, Ingrid Hewitte, Melissa Khan, Sheree Lombardo, Jenny Rushing, Christy Shane.

President: Allyson Anderson brought the meeting to order at 8:04am. She shared with the PTSO, our new Teacher Representative on the committee will be Melissa Hutcherson, from the Health Academy.

Allyson explained the county is addressing the temporary disconnect for the freshman parents and new families, who cannot see/use all the modules in the “my school bucks” account.

Vice President: Kelli Filardi was excited to share in the complete victory of our senior parking, painting fundraiser. She will continue with this effective, on-line allocation of spots in the future and reported we sold out all 247 spots! After the slight postponement - due to the resurface and striping company delay- all students were able to get started and complete their personalized artwork. This fundraiser brought the PTSO \$18,525.00 this year! Please know all funds go directly to the teachers and students of GBHS in the form of teacher grants, special programs, teacher hospitality meals and Principal Brothers’ discretionary fund.

Treasurer: Cindy Ducote advised the current account balance.

Secretary: Liz McCulley requested the July minutes be approved. Christa W. made the motion, with Christy S. 2nd. The committee voted unanimously to pass the minutes as recorded. They will be sent to Coach Johnny Cook to post to the school website.

Grants: Cindy Massey acknowledged she will begin the Fall grant cycle with the funds from the current senior parking fundraiser and the balance of unused monies from last spring; this was due to the Covid-19 shut downs and the inability to fully complete the allocation process.

Additionally, the committee agreed to reserve ¼ of the annual fundraiser dollars. These funds will be earmarked to resurface the lot & repaint the stripes on/about every 4-5 years as needed.

Fundraising: Sheree & Melissa led an open discussion of ideas for donor recognition; while committing to strengthen our community relationships and grow our Business Partnerships. They are working on new mailings & will use the bulk postage system we have in house with Project Grad., as they already pay an annual fee for this service.

Hospitality: Julie Giles, Keena Landrum reported the “Teacher Back to School Luncheon, On the Go” worked out beautifully. Due to the Covid-19/ CDC guidelines, the PTSO was not able to express our welcome meal in the usual face to face style, with a warm and delicious catered meal. But in typical Gulf Breeze fashion, more than 2/3 of the cost came in from donations via VENMO and PayPal accounts; which afforded 130 nice boxed lunches from **NEWKS**.

Membership: Ingrid Hewitte advised she is in the process of updating the membership form, to be more precise and to work along with the Business Partners in Education form. Ingrid also made mention of the “my school bucks” App not working properly at the moment. She confirmed it is a County-wide issue and will be up and running soon. This will enable people to pay for their PTSO membership on-line.

Project Graduation: Jenny Rushing & Christy Shane both advised they updated the website and tickets are \$25.00. They also reported they will be purchasing “single Day” Insurance for our 2021 Senior event!

SAC: Julie Giles – no report. SAC did not meet

SGA Rep.: New chair TBD

Volunteer Coordinator: Christa Wilson explained that the forms need to be more streamlined, while giving better access for her to attain information. The purpose of this chair is to keep connected with the many volunteers in our community and to draw upon them, for the many opportunities that are presented daily.

New Business: The committee voted to have a PTSO Facebook specific page. Christy S. made the motion and Jenny 2nd. Laura Murphy has been tapped for this volunteer position, as she is already keeping the community (happily) apprised of the many happenings going on in the High School and surrounding community. She will be working towards ensuring there are links within parent and class pages, along with Project Grad and all PTSO goings on.

The committee also voted to establish a “Business Partners in Education” link, embedded within the PTSO webpage. Jenny R. made the motion with Christa W. 2nd and the board passed this unanimously.

Allyson adjourned the mtg at 9:37am.

These minutes respectfully submitted by Liz McCulley