

9:00 AM

PRESENT: Sally Jercha, Aimee Bernstein, Abbas Haideri, Markie Rankin, Ann Briggs, Val Kestner, Kara Ewy, Yvette Nguyen, Tricia Bathe, Shayla, Stephanie, Jenny Hayes, Eric Rembold and Susan Campbell

- I. WELCOME—Sally Jercha—Sally welcomed members and introductions were made.
- II. SECRETARY’S REPORT—Susan Campbell: Susan emailed the November 2019 minutes to all board members. Ann moved to approve the minutes and Markie seconded the motion. All were in favor.
- III. TREASURE’S REPORT—Abbas Haideri: Checking account balance on 12/02/2019: \$48,094.33. Payments since the beginning of the school year in August 2019 include: a. \$1,487.53 Staff Welcome Back b. Staff Refreshments \$1,180.55 c. Purchase of Gaga Ball Pit \$2031.95 from PSMS Invest d. \$212.06 for directory printing. Reallocated remaining balance of \$812.47 from Staff Welcome Fund to Student Centered Learning. Deposits included the following: PSMS PTO Deposit of \$156.06 on 10/14/19 from BV School District. A \$5 fee is being charged per statement. Stephanie moved the expense be approved, Val seconded it and the motion carried unanimously. Anticipated Funding Requests include: Stuco Requests, Microwaves, Garden Club – Verify Mr. O’Gorman’s requirements for the greenhouse etc. We need a volunteer for the role of Co-Treasurer. This is ‘required’ per the PTO’s Accounting advisor. Kara Golian has been very kind to volunteer her help in reconciling the accounts.
- IV. Principal’s Report – Eric Rembold shared that girls basketball season ends December 12<sup>th</sup> and boys basketball will begin at the beginning of the upcoming semester. High School enrollment for current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be completed in the beginning of February prior to P/T

Conferences. Have collected \$1000 of the \$3000 in gift cards that will be needed this year for families in need at PSMS for holiday donations. A half day BV Wellness symposium will be held March 7, 9am-12pm. November 7 2 hour late start practice day revealed a need to communicate with crossing guards. PSMS will be open and available for students to enter during normal school hours. Eric contacted district personell and had an additional outlet installed for the purpose of adding more microwaves for students to utilize during lunch.

## V. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORTS

**1<sup>ST</sup> VP REPORTS**—Betsy Lewis. **SCHOOL SUPPLIES:** No update.

**SPIRIT WEAR:**--(Lindsay/Emily ): Website has been established. No additional update.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**-- Maureen Bergeman: No update.

**2<sup>ND</sup> VP REPORTS**—Aimee Bernstein-- **Diversity Initiative** –Yael Reem:

The name of the Diversity Initiative has changed to the Culture Club. Yael will serve on the District Committee. The committee is currently researching practices to stop/start that effect diverse populations. The November meeting was held and the theme was Thanksgiving.

**PANTHER NIGHT/FALL FRENZY :** Tricia Bath—The committee has been asked to plan a second Panther Night. The potential date is February 28, 2020, but still needs to be confirmed. An “8<sup>th</sup> Grade Lounge” may be available in the Library. The Carnival games from PSE are available if the committee would like to utilize them before they are donated.

**HEALTH SCREENINGS** (Ann Briggs) –No report.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**-Valerie Kestner: Students will participate in creating “plarn” mats. Plastic shopping bags will be collected to create the plastic yarn for the mats. Val is looking for more hands-on activities for the students to participate in. A suggestion was made that students might be able to read to children.

**EIGHTH GRADE FAREWELL**—Markie Rankin: Have reserved the North Power Play location. The location is reserved for three possible dates until the last day of school is determined.

**3<sup>RD</sup> VP REPORTS—STAFF APPRECIATION:** In November, a goody cart was provided to teachers. Holiday jars have been changed to holiday bags. On November 22, holiday bags will be available for families to pick up to fill for a staff member. The bags will be distributed to staff members on December 20<sup>th</sup>.

**COMMUNITY PARTNERS:** No update.

**BVEF:** A request for \$575 for Professional Musician coaching has been submitted from Mr. Aubrey. Susan moved we approve this request and Val seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**SIGN:** No report.

**GREENHOUSE:** No report.

**DIRECTORY:** Krista Gordon--Krista has completed the Directory. It has been distributed.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT—PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL MEETING:** A request for \$575 for Professional Musician coaching has been submitted from Mr. Aubrey. Susan moved we approve this request and Val seconded the motion. All were in favor. The budget has \$2000 allocated for this school year's author visit. Our school has a \$13,000 grant in this area and therefore we did not have to pay for the author. We will use \$1000 for a writing workshop that is available. **BVEF:** Grants not funded by BVEF will be reviewed for possible funding by the PTO. The Battle of the Bands will be on Saturday, January 18. Each school donates a basket to be entered in a silent auction for this event. Susan and Markie will create the basket and Sally will deliver it with the PSE basket. Night of Lights will be on April 24. We will participate in Major Saver this year. More information to come on this.

VI. MEETING ADJOURNED. NEXT MEETING will be held Friday, January 10, 2020 at PSMS.