

## PTSA Meeting Minutes

February 23, 2011

### Student Report (Brad Cohen of SGA):

- SGA sponsor “Chillhawk” was a major success. 100-150 people showed up.
- Pep rally was also a success. The administrators played musical chairs.
- Third quarter project is a fundraiser with the Best Buddies
- The Athletics Department will have a new hype squad t-shirt
- This month is counselor appreciation month.

### VP for Programs (Susan Sather):

- IB Coordinator, Anne Stowe, presented details of the IB program.
  - IB grade consists of internal and external assessments.
  - Thousands of teachers around the world are involved in grading the IB external assessments. South Lakes has two teachers who are certified to grade external assessments.
  - Parents are needed to invigilate the exams (May 3-23), please contact Ann Stowe [Anne.Stowe@fcps.edu](mailto:Anne.Stowe@fcps.edu) to volunteer. The schedule is on the school website under academics/IB/resources.
  - The IB grade does not go on the FCPS transcripts.
- Race to Nowhere is on March 29 at 7 pm in the SLHS theatre. Tickets are \$10 online and \$15 at the door.
  - Tickets may go online tomorrow for South Lakes families and then will be opened to the community. Seating capacity is approximately 450 seats.
  - Christi Campbell will have a panel to discuss the movie.
- Next month meeting (March 16): Child and adolescent psychologist will discuss teens and pressure. The business part of the meeting will be discussed first, followed by the presentation by the psychologist.

**Minutes of January 19, 2011 meeting:** Reviewed and approved with the following change – ANGP earned \$1,800 at the unplanned fundraiser (concessions at the forensic debate) – not \$800.

### President’s report (Joan Burkhart):

- Thank you:
  - **Shashi Kuppa** and **Maria Robles** for helping at curriculum night.
  - **Juli Westfall** and **Yolanda Maldonado** for coordinating the Honor Roll Breakfast on February 18, 2011, and to all who donated and volunteered at this event.
  - **Marilyn Delahaye** and **Patrice Welker** - our BUG (Bringing Up Grades) coordinators.
- Time to consider serving on the 2011-2012 PTSA Board.
  - A signup sheet was circulated at the meeting and a request will be posted on the web. Request for board and committee members for the 2011-2012 academic year will be sent out via KIT along with information for contacting the Nominating committee.
- **Parent Advisory Committee:** Meeting moved to today so **Sheryl Cosing** is attending on behalf of SLHS.

**Treasurer’s report (Jody Wolfe):** With cash and CDs, PTSA has approximately \$24,000.

### VP for Communication (Maureen Becker):

- **Elizabeth Vandenburg**, our outreach coordinator, is also at the Parent Advisory Committee with Sheryl Cosing.

- Elizabeth is working with **Emily McPhie** on a **career network event** on **March 31, 2011** during Learning Seminar. She is recruiting parents for this event and hopes to bring people from a wide variety of careers (plumbers, electricians, engineers, architects, doctors, dieticians, nurses, etc) to show case to the students. There is no public speaking required for this event. PTSA will provide coffee and bagels at this event.

**Academic Boosters (Kim Shoop):**

- **Mock ACT and SAT** test on Feb 26, 2011. The session is sold out. Feedback session is in March.

**ANGP (Micki Moravitz):**

- Pulled-off Outback Steakhouse luncheon – 90 seats were sold.
- Two more fundraisers:
  - Spring plant sale – April 28 is plant pickup date.
  - Relay for Life Concessions – May 21, 2011.

**New Business:**

- Nominating committee (Susan Sather, Sheryl Cosing, Sofi Cahoon) was approved.

**Principal's Report (Bruce Butler):** Mr. Butler presented a slide show of various activities in the school.

- Betina Van Meter was selected for a French State Department Internship. This is the second year in a row that a SLHS student was selected for this internship position.
- Ryan Forrest placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at the State Wrestling Tournament in his weight class.

**Upcoming dates**

- Newsletter articles now due for the Mid March – May newsletter
- Feb. 24: Academic Booster 7:00pm Career Center
- March 16: PTSA meeting 7:00pm
- March 24: Academic Boosters 9:30 am Cafeteria
- March 29: Race to Nowhere
- March 31: Career Networking Event