



PSO Meeting Minutes

March 18, 2022

Board Attendees: Brett Gilfillan, Kelle Hohl, Kara Stanek, Amanda Shearer, Ada Betancourt, Aimee Avery, Major Kindsfater, Veronica Palmieri

Additional Participants: Heather Wimsatt, Jennifer Kindsfater, Rose Risser, Sheila Sawyer, Emmalia Sutjiadi, Kaprice Collins, Tanya Little, Thierry Braque, Lucinda Stoneburger, Lynn Gerveler

8:15am In person/Zoom meeting start

President Report (Kelle Hohl)

- We had Rising Senior Night last night and we asked parents and students to sign up for Senior fundraising. We have three pages of volunteers!

Headmaster (Brett Gilfillan)

- Security - we have two security officers, Eric and Darren, from a private security company Antebellum. One is on duty at a time and shared with Archway. Each is a protective person on campus with fresh eyes to see what things are going well and what questions they have. We will introduce them to 6th grade first then 10th and then all other grades.
- New Schedule - Archway has early release Wednesdays this year. 8 of 12 valley GH prep schools have an early release day model. Archway changed early release days to Friday for next year. SPA will also have early release days next year, but we require more class hours. SPA needs 1000 hours while Archway only needs 850. So that's why we can't have every Friday be an early release day. Working with faculty to make the early release days 40 min classes strong. Faculty will use that time for development, and responding to emails.
- Parent Surveys
 - Approval low, but suggestions high. We are not disheartened, we are encouraged.

- Two low points - 1) Balancing the hard work with joy is very low. 2) Students are kind to one another only 56% said they were satisfied.
- Two high points - 1) Satisfaction with the curriculum and student progress. 2) High school student relationships, engaged with teachers.
- Bullying presentation - not well attended. One important point was when students say something in the moment it stops bullying 50% of the time. We will discuss it with students in each class. The Attorney General will do an online presentation for parents and students to watch together.

Treasurer (Amanda Shearer)

- Thank you to Ada for leading our lunch program. And welcome to Lynn.
- Sent financials to the board. We are in good shape. If you look at line items, we have \$100,000. A lot of that is spoken for already.

VP of Passive Fundraising (Ada Betancourt)

- Thank you senior moms that have been with the lunch program - Kristen Zeno, Cherrie Medina, Allison Roy - AMAZING JOB. THANK YOU to Lynn Gerveler who will be taking over Lunch Oversight and Vendor Management. THANK YOU to Amanda and Kelle for all their support.
- Vending and Lunch doing well, year over year. Looking at early release Fridays with special attention to that. We might move vendors around.
- We will be ok for lunch leads next year. Executive team - Lynn has some great ideas for next year. Valerie and Veronica will continue.

Booster Club (Major Kindsfater)

- Hoping to have more pep rallies next year.
- Amanda reported to each coach how much money they have for their sports.
- Barrett Jackson planning for next year, meeting with a parking manager to see how we can raise more money and also the possibility of more weekend events.
- Physicals event - Looking for a lead person and have 3 volunteers to do physicals before they see the doctor.
- Need to auction off the parking spot. (Perhaps at the appreciation dinner.)
- Another possible event - coaches appreciation dinner banquet.

VP of Community Engagement (Kara Stanek)

- MS Social - Diane Kar will finish this year strong. Looking for a MS Social Chair for next year. MS social movie night tonight, 7pm - it's free - we have parent volunteers. We will have popcorn, water, and candy.

- Parent discussion - Maybe we could have a MS social committee. Maybe the leadership clubs Diakonos / Archon could start up again. If students are involved in choosing the activity we may have better attendance. Maybe we can plan a PSO parent meeting on how to invigorate parent volunteers. Maybe plan a parent social event.

Additional Committee Reports

- Shoppers Program (Heather Wimsatt)
 - Script Program opening up next week - Mother's Day, Father's Day, Teacher Appreciation. Order deadline - April 15. Distribution - April 24th.
 - BN book fair May 6 & 7. Desert Ridge location. Maybe we can get faculty suggestions (here are my favorite books...). And we can order next year's consumable books.

Next meeting is a board meeting on Friday, April 8th at 8:15 am.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15am