

North County High School PTSA  
Meeting Minutes  
May 30, 2018 (postponed from May 16, 2018)

Meeting called to order at 6:33 p.m.

**In attendance:** Susan Carter; Sarah Longo; Paula Brukiewa; Mr. Fowlkes; Alison Cherowitzo; Sally Wood; Stephanie Doersam; Lisa Crittenden; Sonya Sutter; Nancy Sumwalt; Kim Bixler; Amy Powis; and Mr. Bernstein.

**Welcome: Sonya Sutter**

President Sonya Sutter welcomed all in attendance. Introductions were made.

**Approval of April 2018 Minutes**

Prior minutes were reviewed.

- Motion: Stephanie D. motioned and Sally W. seconded to approve the April 18, 2018 meeting minutes as written.
- Vote: Motion carried
- Resolved: Minutes from the April 18, 2018 meeting approved, as written.

**Nominating Committee: Election of Officers (positions of Vice President and Treasurer)**

Lisa C., on behalf of the Nominating Committee, nominated Sarah Longo for Vice President for the 2018-2019 school year. Paula B. seconded the nomination. The vote was unanimous to appoint Sarah Longo as Vice President.

As there were no candidates nominated for the Treasurer position, and no members were in attendance to offer their candidacy, Lisa C. agreed to remain Treasurer for the 2018-2019 school year.

**Treasurer's Report: Lisa Crittenden**

Lisa C. reviewed the Treasurer's report. She is still waiting for some final receipts from the Senior Awards reception hosted by the PTSA. A discussion was held regarding the budget items for the Ninth-, Tenth- and Eleventh-grade class funds. Since those class advisors have not been requesting monies for their class events/needs for some time, we will send another notice to the class advisors before removing these categories from the budget for next year. We will brainstorm over the summer.

### **President's Report: Sonya Sutter**

Sonya said "thank you" to the committee members and other volunteers for their assistance with the various events. She distributed Certificates of Appreciation to several individuals and will be requesting more certificates from the PTA to distribute to additional volunteers. Sonya gave special thanks to PTSA Executive Board members Lisa Crittenden and Ebonie Riley (senior parents).

### **Principal's Report: Mr. Folkes**

Mr. Fowlkes said the PTSA is appreciated for their service for teacher appreciation week, back-to-school night, parent/teacher conferences and After-Prom. They always enjoy the snacks and little thank-you notes in their mailboxes.

Mr. Fowlkes will send notices that school is closed Monday for graduation since some of the parents were not aware of this.

There was a discussion regarding class dues. There were problems verifying some of the seniors' class dues that were paid during their freshman year. Mr. Bernstein (mentor to senior class) arrived at the meeting and Stephanie D. thanked him for all his assistance. Going forward, they will not be requiring the \$20 dues until senior year. The dues are used to pay for such things as the graduation venue, equipment, programs, and buses for the orchestra performance during graduation. They are trying to go back to UMBC (new auditorium). The Maryland Live Casino Convention Center may be a possibility in the future. For now, the Equestrian Center accommodates more people.

A discussion was held with Mr. Bernstein regarding the senior picnic. He discussed what is needed and posted the list on Google Docs. They will also need coolers with ice. Lisa C. will coordinate the shopping and will follow up with Mr. Bernstein. The picnic will be held by the tennis courts; no rain date. A reminder ConnectEd will be sent to the seniors tonight to state that the picnic will be held after rehearsal. Volunteers are needed from 9:00 until 11:00 a.m.

The senior banners were taken down and Mr. Bernstein had them rolled up with labels. Lisa C. had two extra banners that Stephanie D. will use as samples next year. They will continue to use a spreadsheet next year.

### **Committee Reports**

**Membership:** Alison C. agreed to continue as Chair next year. Lisa C. and Alison compared their counts of memberships to date. (Lisa has 156 and Alison has 161; some may be duplicates so they will verify the amount.) They will need a final count for the PTA and will be credited for the unused membership cards. There are cards that still have not

been distributed (parents did not pick them up after repeated requests). A new packet of membership cards will arrive over the summer.

After Prom Breakfast: Per Lisa C., Andrea Zamora has showed an interest in chairing the committee next year. Fundraising (vendor fairs and food nights) was discussed. A total of 260 students attended the After Prom this year (seniors and guests). Per Lisa's spreadsheet, \$2,269 in donations was received; \$550 was spent on gift cards; and \$1,500 was spent on prizes. A discussion was held about past and current fundraisers. The food nights need to be made known to all students (not just the seniors).

Sally W. agreed to help with the Facebook page. We may create a Communications Coordinator position.

Hospitality: Sonya S. referred to the Agenda regarding what happened during teacher appreciation week: mailbox treats Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; luncheon on Thursday; volunteer help and donations were appreciated; two teachers emailed directly to say thanks; custodians said thanks; teachers thanked them at the luncheon.

Lisa C. coordinated Urban BBQ lunches for the custodians.

PTSA Scholarships: The PTSA awarded four scholarships and they were announced at the Senior Awards Ceremony. It was reported that a parent of one of the scholarship recipients said they did not get an invitation from Guidance to attend the ceremony. Guidance held that check for pickup.

### **New Business:**

Sonya reviewed ideas for next year.

A discussion was held about coordinating events (PTSA/Music Boosters/Athletic Boosters/Drama) and posting information on each other's websites.

Stephanie D. and Lisa C. have rights to edit the website; will need someone else to assist if Lisa C. leaves the Board.

Next meeting: 9/19/2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.