

Minutes of the PTO Meeting

Balboa City School

February 9, 2010

Welcome & Introduction

President Lisa Catlin is out sick, past President Linda Barner filled in and called the meeting to order.

Annual Gala Fundraiser Update

Dayon Higgins will chair the event. Tentative date is Thursday, October 14, 2010. Park Manor Suites has donated space, BCS will still need to cover costs for food, beverage and service.

Grandparents Tea

Norma Caro will chair the grandparents tea. The event will be held on Friday, May 7th. Norma will touch base with last years' chair Joon Fuller on props and event coordination. Natalie will speak to Lynn regarding repurposing last years' invitation art.

La Jolla Learning Foundation

A concern was raised that perhaps parents don't understand the work being done by the foundation and that it is an advocacy group and the non-profit arm that funds the PTO. The team felt that as the PTO body, we need to do a better job of outreach and communicating the benefits to parents.

Dr. Parker Community Presentation

The La Jolla Learning Foundation will be hosting an evening with Dr. Parker entitled from F's to A's on Tues. Feb. 16 at 6:00 PM. Kathleen will send out a press release this week.

WASC Accreditation Program

The WASC committee will be on campus the week of March 8 reviewing BCS. Parents are invited to meet with the committee on Sunday, March 7, 3-5 PM to speak with them from the parents' point of view. Natalie will e-mail more information to parents.

Tall Ship Sailing Trip

Upper school sailing trip this year is scheduled for April 19 – 23. The group will be sailing to Channel Islands National Park. The cost is \$850 for BCS students. BCS will be inviting the larger San Diego community to participate and is sending postcards, brochures and flyers to selected contacts. Cost for non BCS students is \$1,100.

Old Globe Theater Partnership

Natalie has been coordinating with the Old Globe to take advantage of excess seating during

select performances. Students have recently been treated to the Whisper House and Lost in Yonkers. Natalie will work with the students to coordinate thank you notes.

Senior Prom

The student's would like to coordinate a senior prom, open to all high school students. Erin and April Mae have agreed to chaperone and coordinate the event. Park Manor Suites has agreed to donate the space – estimated expense for finger food and serving staff is \$2K. BCS would like to see if the PTO will pay for half of the expenses and the students and school will fundraise for the other half. The deposit is due this Friday. The PTO voted on this request and it was unanimously accepted.

Equestrian Program

Packets of information on the Equestrian Program have been sent out to parents. The program is being coordinated by Erin Brown on Wed. afternoons. The price is \$400 per student (parent funded). Financial aid is available – parents need to apply by the end of the month.

Lunch Program

Organic to Go and Bronx have dropped BCS for low participation. Pizza on Friday will now be provided by another pizza shop. The program will also add Jamba Juice on Wed. Dayon will look for grant to teach lunch prep as a program under the workability grant. More works need to be done on lower school coordinate of snack bar.

Misc

Lower school student Seth will be performing at the Hard Rock Café at March 27 – 10 to 12. Norma will send information to Natalie for newsletter.

Beach Day – Should the PTO fund this? Is was decided no, that this will not be funded by the PTO. \$500 under spring fling will be used to pay for this expense.

Paid Internship – BCS typically pays for 40/80 hours of student internships. A student will be interning a the public library and the school requested that the PTO pay \$400 of the internship, as this is a private student and the workability grant only covers public school students. The PTO declined this request, Dayon will look at La Jolla Foundation to fund this.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Kubota