

Executive Board Minutes-February 8, 2005

Minutes of Executive Board Meeting on February 8, 2005

The meeting was called to order by President Cyndi Harrison at 6:31 p.m. A quorum was present.

The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and filed for audit.

Lisa Watson presented the Cash Flow Report and Proposed Budget. They will be submitted for audit. Margery Warren made a motion,

seconded by Beth Anderton, to budget \$400 for the Landscape Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

Principal's Report - Mr. Ewing reported that:

- * Upcoming events include the Drug and Alcohol Program, Incoming Freshmen Orientation, the Course Fair March 24, and Choice

Sheets.

- * Redesign and Career Pathways have added Engineering and Medical pathways.
- * He has met with architects about adding a science lab.

Counselor's Report - Mrs. Huffman reported that:

- * Our National Merit Semifinalists have all been named Finalists.
- * Registration fees for AP exams are due by Feb. 28. There will be a late fee after March 4.
- * Language Arts TAKS testing will take place Feb. 22. Science, Social Studies and Math testing will take place in April.
- * Orientation for 8th grade students and their parents will be Feb. 23.
- * Choice Night will be March 22.

Committee Reports:

Community Service Fair: Lynn Wright said there are 43 organizations scheduled to speak; more are pending. She is calling

volunteers for parking, setting up, etc.

Career Night: Belinda Huerta said there are 43 speakers confirmed; several more are pending. Next week, she is sending out

confirmation letters. There are about 10 active members on her committee.

Drug/Alcohol Program: Suzanne Guedea said the program will take place Tuesday, March 8. Juniors and Seniors will attend an

assembly at 1:45. There will be another program at 6:30 that evening for Freshmen, Sophomores, parents, and members of the

community. Extra credit will be given to Freshmen and Sophomore students, and Junior and Senior parents who attend. A discussion

followed about promotion, volunteers, hospitality, and communication needs. The week before prom, the committee is planning a

"Week of Awareness". They need to contact Jody De Santis about donations. Mr. Ewing told us about the Prom Promise program

sponsored by John Bellamy Insurance.

Parliamentarian/By-Laws: Vicky Blackman has received some comments on the new

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by-laws. We will vote on them at the April meeting;

we need to have at least 20 members present. Vicky found out that the standing rules do get turned in to the State PTA. Most

issues are addressed in the by-laws.

Scholarships: The information on the website needs to be updated. Vicky Blackman will meet with Thelma Maline and Janelle Davis

about the criteria.

Beautification: PTSA donated \$400 for beautification. Patty Leander will meet one more time with a landscape architect and then

will show the plans to the committee. A work day is planned; the service organizations may have volunteers.

Kennel: Lost 3 volunteers, but they have been replaced.

ACPTA: No news. The next meeting is March 10, which conflicts with Career Night.

Counselor Support: Have TAKS volunteers.

Historian: Tanya Phillips is looking for items from past years.

Newsletter: The newsletter is out. It includes parent surveys.

Partners in Ed: Jody De Santis is looking into posting posters at area businesses about upcoming TAKS.

School Directories: New members may pick up copies of the directory in the Kennel.

VP/Communications: The latest Bulletin was mailed on January 31.

Hospitality: Members of the Board are asked to get ID badges made in Andy's office. Upcoming events are: Valentine's Day (candy

bars in teachers' boxes), March 7 (ice cream social and chili cook-off), March 8 (drug and alcohol program), March 10 (career

night), Teacher Appreciation Week in May, the Teacher of the Year Reception, and the End of Year Breakfast.

Webmaster: Check out the PTSA's website - it has great information and links.

Book Fair: We have met with Barnes & Noble about how we can improve the book fair next year.

New Business:

A nominating committee needs to be formed to replace outgoing officers.

Patty Leander told us that the Bowie Band made Austin Monthly magazine's "Best of" list for their eBay auction.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 pm. Our next meeting will be April 12 at 6:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Coley

Secretary

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