

SM-MUSD PTA Executive Council Meeting

February 6, 2007

Meeting called to order at 11:12 AM by Council Executive Vice President, Meighan Maguire, Board Room, Board of Education.

Attending: The Attendance Sheet is attached.

Council Business and Reports:

Treasurer: Judith Meister reported per Laura Rosenbaum that the Measure BB campaign has overspent its \$111,000 budget by \$21,000, due in part, to issues related to the fundraising consultant. The Council previously approved \$9,000 to the campaign, but has funds (from Summer Adventure) to give an additional \$2,500 to help close the deficit gap. Discussion of our current budget with respect to carryover money, possible other uses for this money (i.e., Programs), and the importance of continuing to support this measure followed.

- Louise Jaffe moved that the Council give an additional \$2,500 to the Meas. BB campaign, with a second by Karen Farrer. The motion was unanimously approved.
- Judith Meister and Laura Rosenbaum will invited Ralph Mechur to a future Council meeting to give an update on the Meas. BB funds.
- Louise Jaffe made an officer's recommendation that all unit presidents allocate the full 5% of their budgets to legislation.
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Auditor: No report.

Financial Secretary: No report.

Leg. Cmte.: Co-Chair Susan Geisberg recommended that all units need to budget ahead and up for next year because so much more funding will be needed for the Parcel Tax campaign as compared to Meas. BB. She also suggested that sites need to max out on their leg. budgets. Susan also thanked the Council and unit budget support for Meas. BB.

- A retreat for the new unit presidents was suggested.
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Communications (First VP's): Elizabeth Stearns announced that the early registration (=discount) deadline for the 108th PTA Convention in Sacramento is from Feb. 1-Mar. 31, 2007, and that hotels need to be reserved now. She will hold two hotel spots for Council. Convention will be May 3-6.

- Because Santa Monica's Pam Brady will be installed as the new State PTA President at Convention, it was suggested that Council host a reception for her in Sacramento.
- Lynn Leavitt will forward biographical info to Rebecca Kennerly for a press release re: Pam Brady.
- Rebecca Kennerly reported that the "What Size" district workshop described in the Superintendent's press release has been postponed with date/time TBD.
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Membership/Hospitality (Second VP's): Cheryl Byrne requested an electric hot water pot for Council meetings. Judith Meister moved to purchase a hot water pot with a second by Nancy Schmidt. It was unanimously approved.

Health and Safety (Third VP's): Lynn Leavitt reported that District Food Services representatives will present policies at the Feb. 20 Leadership meeting. At that same meeting, Donna Richwine of the Wellness Cmte will also address the group. Lynn added that the new State/Fed. Gov't nutrition guidelines will go into effect July 2007.

- Safety awards due this month to Council with more info to follow.

Community Concerns (Fifth VP): Louise Jaffe reminded Council of this evening's City Council meeting which would focus on midyear revenues. Other meetings of interest are St. Anne's Youth Violence meetings, Sustainability/Environment meetings, and the Energy Fair at SAMOHI. Louise will send out more detailed information. She also noted that the Big Blue Bus is working with SM College to create extended routes and free fares, as well as looking into alternative fuel buses. Transportation at middle school levels with small, dedicated buses is also being researched.

- There is a Master Plan for the Bundy SMC campus. There will be summer classes for high school credit.

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Historian: Tina Wiatrak noted that reports from units are due March 26, 2007.

Parliamentarian: Kathleen Micham has by-law revisions for review and will create "cheat sheets" for unit presidents to assist with by-law deadlines.

Chamber of Commerce: Nancy Schmidt announced that preparations are being made for the April 25th Job Fair.

Summer Adventure Treasure: Debbie Mulvaney reported that there will be advertising in local papers.

CEPS: On Feb. 26, different city groups will meet to discuss working together.

Education Foundation: Linda Gross noted that the Equity Fund payments are due on Jan. 31 and June 30.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 PM.

Chris LeGagnoux, Secretary

Approved: