

Broadneck High School
PTSO minutes
April 5, 2011

In Attendance: David Smith, Rob Baicar, Doug Anna, Alice Willison, Cori Dykman, Stacie Miller, Susan Derksen, Lisa Motel, and Claudia Boldyga.

President's Report - Rob

- Received a check for prom breakfast and pictures. Phantom Ball money is being collected as a fund raiser for the breakfast.
- \$100 for the health room was taken care of.
- Need a new president for PTSO, both Doug and Claudia are possibilities.

V.P. Report - Doug.

Went to substance abuse and suicide prevention talks and found the statistics to be helpful.

Treasurer's Report – Alice

- She went to the workshops also and was surprised at how few people showed up considering how many people in this County go to the emergency room.
- Dr. Smith said training was done for the whole faculty. People need to be able to ask if someone is contemplating suicide and voice concerns.
- In 8th grade they read about these issues and talk about it, but a lot of parents were unhappy about this. Some parents only want to discuss things in the home. Kid who graduated from here tried to commit suicide for the 2nd time last week.
- \$19,910 has been raised for the prom breakfast. Check for Music Booster sent out. Beyond budget on club support moneys. If more money is needed for that we would need to take it from other accounts.
- Honor roll breakfast still undecided but have money in that account.
- Diane Casey requested money for college trips through AVID. They have already raised a lot of money, but they want \$500. to supplement the bus cost.
- Motion passed to move money out of software account and give it to AVID money.
- PTSO scholarship form, guidance does not know where the sheet is and what is needed to apply. We need to get it out to people. If your kid applies then you need to abstain from the voting. Fun to read the applications.

Hospitality : Christie - Not present

Membership: Stacie -

- Nothing new. Trying to get something set up with PayPal to set it up for committee.
- Thinking about how to get membership information home with forms and a bigger effort at Freshman orientation by having tables in multiple places for people at BTSN . Several Freshman orientations which PTSO can be a part of.
- Maybe doing it at the first football game of the year. Room for more people there.

Administrator's Report: Dr Smith

- Issues around plus period was that it wasn't well monitored where everyone was everywhere. For the last few weeks they have discontinued it, but on Wednesdays there is time set aside to be current in that class. Many people like this.
- AP Stat class came up with a survey about what people and teachers thought about the Plus period. Need to have dedicated time to do this but the problem is how to do it without issues.
- Budget stuff going on and we don't know how it is going to end. Dr. Smith believes that this school system produces a quality education for a good price. County is going to waive the maintenance of effort law. That the school systems are responsible to maintain the funding and not go below it.
- Public meetings keep changing dates. Cut in staffing for next year. One teacher which creates a big jigsaw puzzle. Decide which classes to offer like Russian 4 and 5 which only have 5 kids.
- West Side Story was good and very well received with exceptional talents.
- Going to senior English classes and giving the seniors the talk that they need to hear and make it to graduation by not doing anything stupid. What they want the commencement to look like. No serious violations or they do not participate in any end of the year things like prom and graduation. Thinks it helps by doing it in small group sessions.
- They are getting new seats in the auditorium and get new lights in the stadium, also possibly new lighting in the whole school. Start Tech Ed renovation to grow tech ed.
- Cautiously optimistic that they will make AYP. Last year they did not pass because it was not tied to graduation. Hoping that we make it.
- Many seniors are going to the community college. There is a law that we cannot compel students to take classes that they do not need to graduate. Internships and work are good alternatives.

Meeting adjourned 8:00
Next Meeting is May 3rd @ 7:00