

## Sunnyvale Middle School PTSA

**Adult Attendees:** Stacey Niblett, Diane Cressler, Linda Anthony, Naomi Nakano Matsumoto, Van Tran, Sanjita Dhingra, Linda Slavich, Jane Hamada, Susie Lamarche, Valerie Spierling, Mila Sumilang, Jeanette Krogstad, Marti Coppage, Jim Realini, Frances Dampier, Sue Kranich, Cameron Oates, Julie Kilpatrick

**Student Attendees:** Bobby Caldwell, Keiko Kawaka, Steven Bi, Joan Sequeira, Kyle Nishimoto, Yasnitsa Mihaylova, Mirko Gataric

**Call to Order:** Susie Lamarche @ 7:07pm

### **Agenda Changes:**

- Add Budget Proposal to line VI along with Treasurer Report
- Guest Speaker Jim Davis line III on Agenda skipped, unable to attend
- Add Candy Halbig to line VIII to nominate as VP of PTSA

### **SMS Leadership: Jim Realini and Leadership Students**

- VP Bobby Caldwell Introduces Leadership Committee Members
- Announces the Student Activities, (Renaissance, Spartan Citizen, Clubs, School Dances/Socials, Red Ribbon Week, Spirit Week, Magazine Drive, Assemblies)

### **Principal Report: Ms. Dampier**

- Thanked Parents for sending their great Children to SMS.
- Students this year are coming to school prepared and with great attitudes.
- “Good News for API Test Scores” (as follows below) SMS API = 797
  - \*English Scores up from 57% to 58%
  - \*Math Scores up from 43% to 54%
  - \*Subgroups: White Students exceeded 800, Asian Students exceeded 900, Hispanics went up from 646 to 655.
- Areas in “Need of Improvement” for API Test Scores (as follows below)
  - \*Socio-Economic: (identified as Students receiving free & reduced lunch)
  - \* Non-English Learners
  - \*However, the State of California has not decided whether Non-English learners test results should be included in the API
  - \*A Sub-Group consists of any group that has a population of 100 students
  - \*Last year, Special Ed was close to being a Sub-Group with 93 students
- Because there were too many Children in the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Classes, there was some Classroom movement.
- Because of the number of Students in the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade, Ms. Dampier received word Today that SMS can hire a New Teacher. Because of that, expect more Changes/movement of Students again.
- Addition of Advanced Classes for 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math

### **Principal Report: Ms. Dampier (continued)**

- Also added are Advanced English classes for 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade Students
- (Email system has been down for a week)

**Teacher Report: Marti Coppage**

- Welcomed Parents to Meeting.
- This is Marti's 13<sup>th</sup> year as the Teacher Representative at SMS
- How to help your Kids at SMS (as follows)
  - \*Agendas. Parents look at your Child's agenda every day and Ask questions to encourage dialog.
  - \*Don't do the work for your Student. Talk to them and make sure that You have the resources for them to do the work.
  - \*Clubs are starting up. Great for kids to get involved
  - \*Athletics start about every 6 weeks. Many opportunities to join.
  - \*Open Gym on Wednesday mornings at 8:30am
- Direct Appeal: "Give and Give Big" This IS the main fundraiser
- Back to School Night is Tomorrow Night for Parents

**Review Previous Minutes: Julie Kilpatrick, Secretary**

- Minutes from last years meeting will be read/submitted next meeting

**Treasurer Report: Diane Cressler**

- Read and Ready to ratify
- Motion from Valerie Spierling to ratify. A second was given by Stacey Niblett and passed unanimously.
- Diane will be checking the PTSA box weekly and if needed sooner then that, She will be glad to go - just email/phone her
- A Motion to approve the PTSA Teacher Luncheon up to \$350.00 was made By Marti Coppage. A second from member Candy Halbig was made. Vote was Taken and passed unanimously.

**Budget Proposal: Tonya Gregory**

- The proposed budget was gone over. This is the time for PTSA members to Ponder it further and next meeting is when it can be presented for Approval.
- **Computer Grant:**
  - \*How much and when did/does AMD donate.
  - \*How much money needed for maintenance/upkeep
  - \*How much needed for more computers/software

**SMS Audit: Diane Cressler**

- Audit was read. Candy H. moved to accept the audit dated from July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006 - June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2007. Valerie S. second the motion. Vote taken and passed Unanimously.

**New Business/Other Business:**

- Questions regarding Book Fair and how to make sure that Teachers get the

Books they ask for. Discussion to follow up between Jill Baigent and Candy Halbig

**New Business/Other Business: continued**

- **Academic Summer Challenge: SUCCESSFUL**
- Concern that Teachers are NOT spending their full stipend that the PTSA Gives to them.
  
- **ESCRIP:** Diane Cressler is running the program this year
- **Vice President Position: Candy Halbig**
  - \*Tonya Gregory moved to approve Candy Halbig as VP. Ms. Oates Second the move - vote to approve Candy Halbig was unanimous. Congratulations Candy and Thank You.
- **7<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies Books** - 400 books have damaged bindings and Need to be returned when the manufacturer gets back to Jill Baigent.
- Magazine Drive Fundraiser: Mr. Realini wanted to make sure that we know That the money raised from this goes to STUDENT ACTIVITIES. This money Is used to support all the student activities such as dances, socials, spirit, and Clubs just to name a few.
- Reminder that next months PTSA Meeting will be held on October 2<sup>nd</sup> At 7:00P.M. in the Staff Room.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm by Susie Lamarche**

**Minutes respectfully submitted by Julie Kilpatrick**