

**SHADOW MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL  
PARENT TEACHER CLUB MINUTES  
April 21, 2009**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:35 p.m.

**PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:** Pat welcomed all to the meeting and introduced the officers. Our PTC Mission Statement was read. A letter from Todd Pollack thanking the PTC was read. Marilyn Lui read a thank you letter she wrote that was published in the Matador Mirror.

**MINUTES:** Corrections to the minutes of March 3, 2009 included a spelling error of Rendy Horner's last name and a clarification under Project Graduation that 18 of the 2008 Project Graduation scholarship recipients have made a donation to help fund Project Graduation 2009. A motion to approve the minutes as corrected was made by Anita Gerulis and seconded by Lindi Caputo. The motion passed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Ending balance \$5,024.19. After scholarships and perfect attendance awards are subtracted out, we should be left with a carry-over balance for next year of \$1,624. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Marilyn Lui and seconded by Susie Waldrom. The motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- **Funding Requests. The Boys Soccer Team** had requested funds to help purchase new uniforms. This request was tabled to determine whether the school had funds for this purpose. The school has determined that there are funds available for new uniforms so help from PTC is no longer necessary. Additionally, **Drama Club** had also requested funds to help organize props, costumes and accessories by adding shelves and bins. The district located some shelves but no bins, so PTC funded \$250 to purchase the needed bins and containers.
- **Buzz-Free After Prom Party.** Susie Waldrom reported that STUGO will not take on the promotion of this project as anticipated. SADD and Partners for Prevention has graciously agreed to sponsor and promote this worthwhile party which gives students a safe and fun environment to enjoy Cosmic Bowling after the Prom. Students sign a pledge not to consume drugs or alcohol, and for \$15 enjoy unlimited Cosmic Bowling. We are hopeful that SADD will take on this project in the future. Donations that have already been made include bagels from Einstein's, cookies from Paradise Bakery and water from Basha's. Mr. Johnson made a special donation of a bowling trophy and a vendor donated the new engraving for it. There is still an attempt being made to have pizzas donated, but if that is unsuccessful, a request has been made for PTC to help fund that purchase as well as some paper products. Anita Gerulis moved to fund \$100 toward those items if not donated. Donna Stanley seconded that motion. The motion passed.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Funding Request.** A funding request by Shari Anton was discussed. She was not present. The funding requested was to help pay for a National Board Certification course. After much discussion it was determined that this request did not meet the criteria for PTC funding in several ways. A motion was made by Anita Gerulis to deny this request and was seconded by Judy Thompson. The motion passed.
- **Senior Awards Night.** There is a new date for Senior Awards Night. It will be held on Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. PTC plans to have a table in the auditorium to help promote Brick purchases and Project Graduation.
- **Scholarship Committee Results.** Cindy Riordan reported that the committee met on April 14<sup>th</sup> and 15 students have been selected to each receive \$200. This is five more scholarships than last year. The names of those recipients were read aloud.

- **Project Graduation Progress Report.** Donna Stanley reported that a mini mall will be held at her house on Friday to raise funds for Project Graduation. Lawn seats for the graduation ceremony will also be available for purchase on May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 a.m. All students are entitled to 10 tickets for the graduation ceremony and out of that ten, four of those can be lawn seats placed on the field for a closer “experience”. Each lawn seat ticket is \$15. Islands Night will be held on April 28<sup>th</sup> all day. Since this is an early dismissal day you can take advantage and purchase lunch and dinner from Islands and benefit Project Graduation. Volunteers are needed for lunch sales benefiting Project Graduation. Lunch sales will begin on April 27 and end on May 8. Project Graduation T-shirts will be available for purchase on May 18-22. The cost is \$14. Some hats are also available. There will also be a mandatory meeting for all Project Graduation Night volunteers on May 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the media center at SMHS.
- **Perfect Attendance Update.** Graciela Rucker was not present. No report is available.
- **Directories for 2009-2010.** There was discussion as to whether to continue to provide a student directory. Several people expressed examples of situations where the directory was a valuable resource. More discussion will take place before a final decision is made.
- **Staff Appreciation Week Luncheon.** STUGO sponsors this and PTC funds it. Mary Moore gave a summary of the events and activities that go on this week which shows appreciation for all the teachers, from thank you notes from students to the wonderful lunch that is provided. The teachers are very appreciative.
- **Lunch Sales.** In order to actually handle the food you must receive a food handler license. The test is free. The location to test and obtain a license is at 3101 East Shea Blvd. The hours are from 9:00 am – 11:30 am & 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm.

**2009-2010 Registration.** Mitch reported that there will be walk-thru registration, and the format will be the same as last year. Juniors and Seniors on Monday August 3<sup>rd</sup> from 8:00 a.m. – 12 noon. All grades on Tuesday from 4:00 pm – 8:00 p.m. Freshman and sophomores on Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. – 12 noon. All grades on Thursday from 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Anita Gerulis will coordinate volunteer coverage for these days. To volunteer to man the PTC table on any day for even a few hours, please contact Anita Gerulis.

#### **Committee Chairs**

1. **School Council** – Judy Thompson reported: Budget was discussed. No Capital Budget for next year (major purchases). Maintenance budget down 15%. All district employees will take a pay cut across the board. We expect more stimulus money in June. Teacher’s reduction at SMHS was 10 full time employees, and 18 teachers retired. The North accreditation for high schools was discussed – the process and how to stop students from moving to charter schools in the midst of this budget crisis.
2. **UPC** - Sandy Ditsch reported: AZ Public Education (APPLE) is encouraging parents and students to give the governor input. Trace your hands and write what the kids want to see in their schools, or what they like and why. Mail handprints to Jan Brewer, Governor, at 1700 W. Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007. PROM NIGHT info sheet was handed out. UPC meeting on May 20<sup>th</sup> is the last meeting for the year. The new superintendent Jim I. Lee is replacing Mr. Kreikard who is retiring in May. Go to [www.pvupc.org](http://www.pvupc.org) for more info.
3. **Teacher Liaison** - Mary Moore reported: The March at the Capital held on March 4<sup>th</sup> was well represented. Two buses of staff attended from our district.
4. **Membership** – Anita Gerulis reported that we received one new membership due to scholarships. Nothing else to report.
5. **Brick Project** – No report.
6. **Website** – No report.
7. **Homecoming** – No report.
8. **Lunch Sales** – No report.

**PRINCIPAL’S COMMENTS** – Mitch VonGnecten reported. All teachers who will be cut have been notified. Now we can start to pull from SMART for vacancies left. There are currently four vacancies at SMHS. There is no one on surplus to fill, so positions will be posted and open to the outside for hiring.

Sandy Ditsch noted that once this issue about teachers goes on the fall ballot, we are not allowed to talk about the issue in our meetings.

#### **PTC ELECTIONS 2009-2010**

##### **Nominations:**

- A. President – Pat Kankiewicz**
- B. Vice President –**
- C. Secretary –**
- D. Treasurer – Lindi Caputo**
- E. Membership – Anita Gerulis**
- F. Scholarship Chair – (CANNOT BE A SENIOR PARENT.)**
- G. Teacher Liaison – Debbie Kovesday. Media Center Specialist**
- H. Brick Project – Keith Harrington**
- I. Project Graduation – Donna Stanley**
- J. PTC Website – Gary Burr**
- K. Lunch Sales Chair (two weeks in the fall) – Gayle Brideau volunteered**
- L. Homecoming Chair – Renny Horner**
- M. Perfect Attendance Chair –**
- N. Publicity Chair (Matador Mirror, signage, announcements.) –**

The following positions are by application only: (Let an officer know if you are interested.):

- O. UPC Rep – Julia Zandler**
- P. UPC Rep – Cindy Riordan**
- Q. UPC Rep Alternate – Sandy Ditch**
- R. UPC Rep Alternate – Susie Waldrom**
- S. School Council Rep – Michelle Courtright**
- T. School Council Rep – Judy Thompson**
- U. School Council Rep –**
- V. School Council Rep Alternate – Victoria Sweeney**

Vacancies were discussed and decided that any further candidates will be filled and voted for at our summer board meeting. Diane Henderson is ready to surrender the brick program to Keith Harrington so we removed Dianne from the ballot. Motion to accept positions as listed and corrected was made by Donna Stanley and seconded by Judy Thompson. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT NOTE: All new positions will take effect as of June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009. Until then, the current incumbent will retain all duties.

##### **Important Upcoming Events/Dates**

- April 22<sup>nd</sup> – Mr. Shadow – 7 pm Auditorium**
- April 25<sup>th</sup> – Senior Prom**
- April 27<sup>th</sup> – National Honor Society Induction – 7pm Auditorium**
- May 4<sup>th</sup> – May 8<sup>th</sup> – Staff Appreciation Week**
- May 5<sup>th</sup> – ROTC Awards Program - 6-8 pm**
- May 8<sup>th</sup> – Staff Appreciation Luncheon – STUGO (Funded by PTC)**
- May 11<sup>th</sup> - Orchestra Concert - 7 pm Auditorium**
- May 12<sup>th</sup> – Sr. Awards/Athletic Awards Night - 7 pm Auditorium**
- May 14<sup>th</sup> – Band Concert – 7 pm Auditorium**
- May 15<sup>th</sup> – Choir Concert – 7 pm**
- May 19<sup>th</sup> – School Council Meeting – 5 pm**
- May 21-26 – No school for seniors**
- May 27<sup>th</sup> – Senior Breakfast – LAST TIME TO SIGN UP FOR PROJECT GRADUATION.**
- May 27<sup>th</sup> – Graduation 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm**
- May 27<sup>th</sup> – Project Graduation Party – Following graduation at Amazing Jakes, Tempe, AZ**

**2009-2010 – School starts MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2009**

**CLOSING REMARKS FROM THE OFFICERS:** All the presiding officers expressed their thanks and gifts were given by the President to Officers and Board members.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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<http://members.cox.net/smhsptc/>

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**Thank you all for your support and commitment to  
SMHS, PTC and our children!**

SEE YOU NEXT YEAR....get involved, stay involved.

Have a safe summer.