

GHSF Board Meeting - Monday 1/6 - 5:30 PM Gunderson Minutes

Attendance: Greg, Jim, Veronica, Jeannette, Robyn, Linda.

Absent: Ronnie, Demerris

* Annual Report - Authorization of funds to print and mail to our current Foundation members. The printing, envelopes, and mailing will cost on the order of \$1.00 per mailing. We can take the opportunity to insert a mid-year "brag sheet" as well if we want for, maybe, a dime more. \$150 should cover the whole thing. We should also think about getting a "non-profit organization" designation from the Post Office.

Motion was made and seconded (Jim and Jeannette) to authorize \$150 for mailing. The motion passed unanimously.

The next discussion was about obtaining a non-profit for mailing. The estimated number of mailings would be approximately 100-110 pieces. In the long run it may be financially advantageous. It was suggested that SJUSD non-profit mailing status be used. Dr. Murray would check into the feasibility.

* Taxes and 501(c)(3) status. - If I hear anything from the State between now and Monday, as doubtful as that is.

No news as of yet. Once we have State designation, we will file with the Federal government.

* Continued discussion of goals for this year and consideration of continuing to pursue the HNPF grant process. How does this grant roll into our goals?

Application submitted. Presentation must be done to the grant committee if the grant application is selected to move forward. The application committee meets, March 15, March 26, and April 12, 2003. Power point presentation would be ideal. It may be helpful to have a "teacher presence" at the presentation. Questions were raised as to if Demerris had discussed the grant with staff. Teachers need to know the underlying purpose of the grant, in a positive non-threatening manner. Jeannette will contact Demerris regarding staff information and/or email of message.

Actually two separate applications- the major one being \$105,000, the minor \$35,000. The selection will be one or the other, but not both.

Linda and Greg will contact Pat Dando to ask if she has any concerns about being able to act on the grant application in her City role if she were also a Foundation Board member.

* Fundraising from businesses - Thousand Oaks HOA may be willing to donate some money through Jerry Strangis. Jerry may still be able to help us out with the Capital Auto Mall folks as well if we need him to.

Jeanette reported \$6,214.50 in the treasury.

Westfield used the facility for parking at Gunderson during the holiday & provided shuttle service for a negotiated fee with the District.

Dr. Murray will check with Pat Dando to see about the status of the car dealership.

Phone-a-thon. It is beneficial because it gets out information about the Foundation and establishes a broad base of community support. Jim will contact Coldwell Banker to arrange for dates. Wednesday March 12 is the preferred date. Jeanette to contact Mr. Hophan for bi-lingual student participants.

Demerris was to provide Jim a list of where parents work. Jim to look into matching grants (online) for parents that are employed by big companies.

We also decided that the April meeting would be substantially dedicated to brainstorming and initial planning for an alumni fundraising event (Homecoming or the Bell Game, maybe).

* Liability Insurance - I am soliciting quotes until our meeting day. I might have quotes by meeting time.

Greg contacted State Farm for a quote. Was referred to Farmers. All State quote forthcoming. Dr. Murray to contact Colleen to see what is used by the other Foundations. Greg to email the estimates to the group.

* Bot-Ball - Potential 5 min presentation from Jim Ritchie and brief discussion about sponsorship.

Unclear as to if the program is Bot-ball or not. Greg to contact Mr. Ritchie for details.

Jeannette mentioned a Washington DC trip that takes place yearly for academic/cultural enrichment. Students that could not participate were sponsored by SIP funds. Approximately \$750 per student. The Foundation has approximately \$2000 in funds that are not already allocated to financial/administrative commitments. Veronica may be able to donate some funds from her campaign residual money. Jeannette will present a proposal at our next meeting for the Foundation to sponsor a scholarship for a student to go on the trip.

* Technology Scholarship - We need to publicize to the technology classes. I need to follow up on this. I'll try to have a proposal by the meeting on Monday.

Greg made no progress on this since the last meeting. Jeannette reported that Ms. Webb would be willing to forward students names for the scholarship given guidelines.