

**DAVIS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL PTA
ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES—AMENDED
DATE: Wednesday, March 6, 2013 TIME: 7:34-9:17 PM**

In Attendance: Cathy Farman, Liz Grassi, Jennifer Creinin, Catherine Li Yu, Rami, R., Leena Varjavand, Jean Ye, Courtenay Tessler, Dr. Jacqui Moore, Carri Ziegler, Sarah Schrupp, Leigh Choate, Bob Darragh, Reem Awad-Rashmawi, Tracy Kaplan, Tina S., Carin Loy, Sugal S., Margaret Ferguson, Lea Darrah, Darcie Houck and Elizabeth Tinsley

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by President Cathy Farman in the DSHS Library. The PTA Board, DSHS Staff, Student Representatives and parents introduced themselves.

Approval of Minutes: The February 6, 2013 minutes were presented by Elizabeth Tinsley. **Bob Darragh moved that the February 6, 2013 PTA Association Minutes be approved as written. MOTION CARRIED**

Student Reports:

Sophomore: Class Representative reported that they are planning a class fundraiser at Lamppost Pizza.

Junior: Class President reported that junior class elections were held and they had a 50% increase in voting. Student Government class applications are due Friday, March 8, 2013 with interviews beginning in two weeks. Mr. Blue Devil, Spring Fling Dance and Lacrosse Break-the-Record Night are future events being planned at this time.

Senior: Class President reported that the senior class has voted on the theme for Senior Ball which will be The Roaring 20's with the event being held on May 4, 2013 at the Sacramento Sheraton. Ticket sales begin March 31st and run for three weeks.

Changes in Course Prerequisite Process: Tracy Kaplan

A committee was formed last year after Pam Mari spoke at SPAC regarding student health and ways to reduce student health. The findings of this committee will be presented to the school board by Pam Mari. Tracy Kaplan presenting the findings and proposed changes to course requests to the PTA. *Discussion ensued.*

Motion #1: Lea Darrah moved that the DSHS PTA adopt the resolution as proposed. The motion was seconded.

Motion #2: Darcie Houck moved that the DHS PTA adopt the resolution amending #2 by striking all verbiage after may be unprepared. MOTION FAILED

Motion # 1 CARRIED. Vote Count: 10 Yes and 4 Nay

Counselor's Report: Courtenay Tessler

Online Counseling Appointment program—A computer and printer have been donated and online appointments should begin in two weeks.

Program Planning—The week of March 25th the counselors will review appeals.

Open House – Open House was a success and well attended.

Master Scheduling—Slated for March 14th.

Teacher's Report: Leigh Choate

Jazz Choir—The choir will be competing in the California Capital Jazz and Show Competition this Friday in the Sacramento Memorial Auditorium. They will perform their music and dance tribute to the jazz composer, Harold Arlen. Sibel A., Devon H., Megan O., and John T., will compete in the solo competition.

Environmental Club—The Environmental club and CSF did great work on the garden maintenance by Brunelle Theater and S buildings along with the Memorial Planter this past Sunday. The club is also partnering with the City of Davis to promote biking to school for the month of May. They thanked the PTA for past support of the garden space which is used by many classes.

Science Department—The Anatomy class dissected hearts on Valentine’s Day and enjoyed the unit immensely. They would like to thank the PTA for granting funds each year for dissection supplies.

Administrator’s Report: Dr. Jacqui Moore

Common Core Standards—Jacqui reported on the Common Core Standards, which are educational standards stating what all students should be able to know and do in Math, Science, Social Science and English, and provided the PTA with an example from Mathematic Standards.

WASC Report—The commission for accrediting schools completed their mid-year visit at DSHS on March 4, 2013. The committee found the following:

- A. Algebra and Geometry: There has been progress in this area, but there is still room for improvement.
- B. EL: Progressing, but DSHS is data poor so this is difficult to measure.
- C. Equitable Access to Curriculum: Progress has been made, but need to continue to improve in this area.
- D. Staff: Referred to “Teacher Lottery”. Not all teachers are teaching at the same level and student outcome is based largely on which teacher the student receives.
- E. Staff Morale: There has been great growth in this area and they viewed a large increase in collaboration between staff members.

Participation Grades—The staff is continuing to work to defining this for students and parents.

Jacqui thanked the PTA for providing food for the staff.

Committee Reports:

Climate Committee: *Tabled*

Parent Education: Jennifer Creinin reported that the next parent education program is Say No to Drugs and Alcohol on 3/9/13.

In-Kind Donations: Donations were collected during Open House and everything given out to the teachers the next morning. They are continuing to accept donations.

Nominating Committee: Bob Darragh presented the proposed slate for the 2013-2014 DSHS PTA Executive Board. The proposed slate will be voted on at the April PTA Association meeting.

President: *Vacant*

Executive Vice President: Elizabeth Tinsley

First VP—Grants: Mary Ann Noonan

Second VP—Programs: *Vacant*

Third VP—Membership: Carri Cummings-Ziegler

Secretary: Heidy Kellison

Treasurer: Eileen Tutt

Financial Secretary: Anne Finkelston

Auditor: *Vacant*

Parliamentarian: Darcie Houck

Vacant positions have people interested in them, but have not yet been able to commit to the position. *See attached for chairperson list.*

Treasurer’s Report: Catherine Yi Lu presented the PTA financial report dated March 6, 2013. **Lea Darrah moved that the March 6, 2013 financial report be approved and check numbers 4368-4381 be ratified. MOTION CARRIED.**

PIE Grants: Lea Darrah reported that the PTA has approved \$18,064.77 of the \$26,154.00 PIE grants monies raised. The remaining balance in the fund is \$8089.23. Lea presented the following grant requests:

- A. World Language: CD Player \$100.00

Lea Darrah moved that the World Language grant request in the amount of \$100.00 be approved for a CD player. MOTION CARRIED

- B. Physical Education: Badminton Equipment \$2,495.00

Lea Darrah moved that the Physical Education grant request in the amount of \$2,495.00 be approved for badminton equipment. MOTION CARRIED

- C. Science Dept.: Updated Life Science DVD's \$1,801.20

Lea Darrah moved that the Science Department grant request in the amount of \$1,801.20 be approved for updated Life Science DVD's. MOTION CARRIED

- D. Leadership: Link Crew Program, 2 stipends for teacher training \$5000.00
Tabled, beyond scope

- E. Multi-Department: Adobe Site License—Request is for remaining 50% of funds needed \$4250.00
PTA has already funded 50% of the license in the amount of \$4250.00. *Tabled, seek additional information.*

New Business: *None*

Meeting was adjourned by President Cathy Farman at 9:17 PM

VOLUNTEER HOURS ON 3/6/2013: 125 HOURS

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Association Meeting—Approve increase to Hospitality budget.
2. Disburse Student Aid Budget Line Item to counseling department

UPCOMING DATES:

PTA Association Meeting Wednesday, April 10, 2013 7:30-9:00 PM

PTA Executive Board Meeting Friday, April 26, 2013 9:30AM

Respectfully Submitted by Elizabeth Tinsley, DSHS PTA Secretary
