

Officers Present: Bill Marcus (co-President), Lisa Liotta Valine (co-President), Kate Moody (Treasurer), Eric Burk (VP Fundraising), Laurel Eby (co-VP Membership), Mindy Rast (co-VP Membership) and Jessica Blitchok (Secretary).

Meeting opened at 6:38 p.m. on Tuesday, March 8, 2011 by Bill Marcus.

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**Willow Glen Elementary 5K:** Parents from Willow Glen Elementary (WGE) presented regarding the WGE 5K. May 7, 2011 is the Willow Glen 5K. This is a school and family event. 1200 participants last year. This year the race is a platform fundraiser. They will give other organizations the opportunity to earn money from the event. Schallenberger has been invited to participate. For every person Schallenberger registers, Schallenberger will earn 10% of the registration fee.

**Earth Day Celebration/Rummage Sale:** There will be a combination Earth Day Celebration and Rummage sale on April 30, 2011 here at Schallenberger. We will also be selling Chico bags with Seymour on them.

**Fresh and Easy:** This new grocery store in Willow Glen will be holding a fundraiser for Schallenberger. There will be a bin inside the entrance where you can turn in your receipts. Further information will be provided before the fundraiser starts.

**Volunteers for Clothes Closet:** Schallenberger needs volunteers to organize the clothes closet. Please see Laurel Eby or Sundra Dugan.

#### **Fundraising:**

**Gala Update:** At this time we have 174 RSVPs. 1200 raffle tickets sold at this time. There are two raffles. The first is a raffle the kids are selling for now. (Apple iPod Touch, movie gift cert, etc. are the raffle prizes). Top two classes get a pizza party. Second raffle is for an iPad 2 and a 26" flat screen. Those raffle tickets will be sold at the event. Attendees who are using the YMCA for babysitting need to sign the YMCA waiver and notify the YMCA of any allergies. SHSA has received over 120 items for the silent auction. Will likely combine some to make packages. Good number of items this year. Signed Sharks jersey, Stanford golf, vacation homes, are all on the list. Compared to last year the number of items is about the same.

#### **2011-2012 Budget Planning:**

Kate Moody presented the Budget Decisions Worksheet (see attached) –

#### **SHSA Operations**

Childcare – Parent asked if we could use volunteers for this. While this is a possibility, it would be best to leave the line item in case we cannot get volunteers to do this.

Fundraising Expenses – A question was asked about the \$22K fundraising expenses line item. It was explained that the money spent gets paid back.

Discretionary Fund – There is confusion regarding the procedure for using the Discretionary Fund.

**\*\***The board will review the Bylaws and discuss at a later time.

#### **Community**

Emergency Supplies – SHSA provides the sole funding for emergency food and medical supplies in the event of a disaster.

Last Day of School DJ – Raffi has agreed to donate his services for the last day of school, as well as for the Gala.

#### **Grade Specific Activities**

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trips – SHSA has determined there is no longer the money to fund all 4<sup>th</sup> grade field trips. Per Mrs. Loy, it is safe to assume 20% of population struggles to pay for field trips. An option was being discussed to get parent volunteers to drive in order to save the money on busing.

**\*\****Highlight for key motions or action items.*

**\*\*** A parent volunteer is needed to determine if parent drivers would be feasible. This would allow for more field trips.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion Activities – SHSA no longer has funds to pay for this line item. This means parents would be paying for chairs and shade, and all promotion related expenses.

Olympics Day – It was mentioned that this should be cut since all other grade specific things are being cut.

**\*\*** SHSA needs to determine how much to cut this line item by.

American Heritage Day – A suggestion was made to put the winning names on a plaque instead of giving the kids money.

**\*\*** SHSA needs to determine whether or not to cut this line item.

### **Enrichment Programs**

Young Author's Faire – Mrs. Loy stated that she does not think the teachers need the white books.

**\*\*** SHSA needs to determine whether or not to cut this line item.

### **Teacher Support**

Science Supplies – There is a district budget for curriculum based projects. Projects above and beyond are paid thru this line item. Mrs. Loy suggested this could be reduced.

**\*\*** SHSA needs to determine whether or not to cut this line item.

Classroom Supplies – Typically, this line item amounts to \$350 per teacher. The 2010-2011 SHSA Budget increased the amount to \$500 per teacher. In order to reduce the costs in the budget the SHSA has lowered the per teacher amount to \$400 per teacher for the 2011-2012 school year. This amount is still higher than what has been spent per teacher historically.

### **Staffing**

Music – Several people mentioned that they hated to have the music program cut. It was discussed that we needed someone to take leadership of this item. Lisa Holloway agreed to head a committee to research options for a music program. Mindy Rast suggested that music needed to start on a smaller level, with parents paying for their kids to participate. Then when the program is a success it can be incorporated on a school-wide level.

**\*\*** A music program needs to be researched and introduced to the SHSA before a decision about funding a music program can be made.

Writing – A question was asked about Discretionary Funds in the School Site Council. The District has implemented direct instruction which does not support writing coaches. The issue is either finding the additional money within the SHSA budget (by cutting other items) or finding additional \$\$ in the School Site Council budget. Pam Foley is checking on the writing coach issue.

**\*\*** Follow up with Pam Foley and Angelic is required to determine if an additional writing coach can be paid for by School Site Council funds.

Technical Support Consultant – There was a conversation about the frustration regarding the amount being spent on the TSC position. The SHSA does not have the authority to negotiate with the union. Neither does Pam Foley. By going to a half time position the SHSA is saving 30K. This is a top priority for teachers and for parents.

Principal's Update – Angelic announced that she will not be returning to Schallenberger next year. The District will be working with parents and teachers to help in the principal selection process.

Bill Marcus gave an update of the principal hiring process. There will be a meeting at Schallenberger next **Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 – 8** where parents can discuss what they are looking for and questions to ask the candidates for Principal. At this meeting the parents will decide which parents will be involved in the hiring process and on the hiring panel.

**\*\*** *Highlight for key motions or action items.*

Three or four candidates for the Principal position will come on campus on March 21, and all candidates will answer the same predetermined questions. After the interview the panel will make recommendations to the District about whom the Superintendent should interview. The Superintendent will have interviews and make a recommendation to the Board. This new process was brought by the new Superintendent. He believes in local control at the school level.

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Meeting closed at 8:43 pm.