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**Dear Panther families,**

**Here are our unedited notes. We hope you find these useful, our goal is to get the information out to you quickly so you that you can read what you missed and stay informed.**

**Oct. 10th PTSA Meeting Notes:**

**Welcome and introductions (Cathie, President – Stacy Brown introduced – member of the CUHSD board who will be our PTSA liaison. Malaya Goris also introduced – MEF President.**

**Financial reports (Thomas Swidler, Treasurer):**

**Account activity (since 09/12/2017):**

- Income
  - Membership \$1,707.48
  - Script \$60.15

- Expense
  - Homecoming dance \$1,253.55
  - Posters \$196.32
  - PTA insurance and membership fees \$753.00
  - Several bank fees \$161.84
- Account balance changed from \$20,960.99 to \$18,398.35 a \$2,562.49 decrease.

#### Budget increase request:

- We increased the homecoming dance budget from \$1,000 to \$1,700.
- Details of costs: Westgate Church donated games, taco truck hired with no cost to us (\$1 for students). We are purchasing 4 columns of balloons, a balloon drop above the dance floor, and 2 towers of balloons. Cardboard cut-outs to follow the theme that will be used on a red carpet for selfies, stands to support cutouts that are reusable. 2 photo booths for \$455. Lights to decorate trees.

#### Tax and 6<sup>th</sup> District PTA filings:

- All tax forms (990N, 199N and RRF-1) were filled 10/06/2017
- All documents, as required as a sub group of the California PTA, including tax filing copies were send to 6<sup>th</sup> district PTA.
- Outstanding reports still to be sent to the 6<sup>th</sup> district PTA are two audit reports. They need to be prepared and audited by our auditor.

#### Report of the Executive Board (Cathie)

- Smita Garg from CUHSD Educational Foundation – Smita and other parents are in the process of starting an Educational Foundation for CUHSD. CUHSD has never had an ed foundation in 90+ years of existence. Eve Walton introduced as communications director. Stacy Brown introduced – a CUHSD Board member guiding the effort. They have started the nonprofit from scratch and are now filing federal paperwork. They can't accept monetary donations yet, but there are positions available for volunteers. First priority is raising funding for the 3 district-wide college and career fairs, one at Leigh, one at Prospect on Feb. 13, and one at Del Mar on Mar 22. College and career initiatives support is the organization's first priority. They also want to be the thread that ties the high schools together. The foundation's executive board has representation from all schools, and would welcome community members. Website: [www.cuhsdef.org](http://www.cuhsdef.org) Julie Reynolds-Grabbe

is Coordinator of Community Engagement for CUHSD and is asking for stories or events from the community to share district-wide.

- Cathie: Went to parent rep meeting for the district and learned about Julie Reynolds-Grabbe's new role.

#### Principal report (Joell Hanson)

- 11<sup>th</sup> grade PSAT tomorrow.
- Met with district personnel and architects about new student union building paid for by Measure AA. Included school personnel to get feedback on the design. This project is still a couple of years away but the planning has started.
- WASC visits in March to determine if we will remain accredited for 6 more years. The WASC visitation is Mar 19-21. Staff is preparing and will be requesting help from parents during the visit.

#### Reports of the committees

- Prospect Open House (Joell) – Nov 4 from 1-4pm. Need 6-8 parent helpers. Students lead the tours, teachers open classrooms. Advertise to all middle schools through school liaisons.
- Membership (Cyndi) – 96 members, 8 staff have joined. If you need your membership card and/or t-shirt find Cyndi afterward. September was the official drive, but we will continue raising money in other ways.
- Teacher Mini-Grants –have approved \$1,812 so far for grants at last meeting.
- Parent education & Student Classes Offered (Cathie) – [Communicating with Teens](#) talk on Oct. 23. Good turnout for study skills and SAT classes, which have now ended.
- Homecoming Decorating Committee (Cristene) – Need volunteers for setup, cleanup, truck for transport, food donations. See [Food](#) and [Volunteer](#) signups.
- Grad night (Janet Chance) – On graduation night there is a special event. No alcohol, “lock in” from 8pm to 5-6am the next morning. Parents of senior class plan it. Students purchase ticket for \$90. Location is a surprise until that night. Busses take the seniors from Prospect. There are fundraisers to support this event. Scrip can be bought online. Watch for other fundraisers – posted on website.
- Volunteer opportunities
  - Hospitality
  - Homecoming decorator
  - Senior Scholarship coordinator
  - Parent education
  - Fundraising lead (eScrip/Benefit Mobile or pointsettia sales)
  - Membership for students (non-ASB)

7:30pm CPM curriculum math night - Excellent presentation by the PHS Math team lead by Mr. Chang, Ms. Sardonna, Ms. Peck, Mr. McGowan and Mrs. Grewall. More to come from PTSA with handouts and notes.

Prospect PTSA Website: [www.ProspectPTSA.org](http://www.ProspectPTSA.org)

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