

In attendance: Ms. DeWitt, Stacie Maurer, Jessica Baldis, Juliana Conzemius, Chris Brookes, Robert Hasson, Heather Chell, Heather Holland, Suzanne Lawson, Janeen Kozak, Kathryn Scurry, Lisa Divona, Lettie Cederquist, Jen Marchesini, Ginger Colletto, Linda Hoover, Felicity Hunter and Lecia Hass.

Suzanne Lawson started the meeting at 5:09pm.

Introductions

Approval of Minutes

Chris Brookes made a motion to approve the minutes from the SRHS Foundation meeting held on September 9, 2019; Heather Chell seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

Hospitality Coordinator, Jessica Baldis

Nothing new to report for hospitality.

eBlast Coordinator, Stacie Maurer

Asked for those with eBlast requests to send them via mail and PDF because email can be troublesome. Also, please give her 24 hours to respond and/or send out information.

Website Coordinator, Doreen Ayers

Doreen was not in attendance.

Social Media Coordinator, Jenny Cornelissen

Jenny was not in attendance but sent her report to Suzanne via email.

Since the last foundation meeting on September 9, Jenny created 8 different posts in 28 days and placed them on our Facebook, Instagram and Twitter accounts.

*Five posts promoted the Wednesday College and Career series

*One post was for the Cash and Paper Stash fundraiser

*One post was for our Amazon account

*One post was for the upcoming Vision 2030 District meeting

According to Jenny we continue to grow our audience. The counseling office set up an Instagram account #srhsseniorvision2020 and has been tagging us. Please remember to like and share our accounts because our growth and exposure on social media increases the more we are tagged.

Amazon Coordinator, Jen Marchesini

Amazon button raised \$48.41 last month (?)

Big plan coming up to push shopping via Amazon during holiday season.

Just bought Halloween costume for Amazon button and plan to do something once a month going forward, with catchy sayings and/or costumes, to draw attention.

Grad Nite Coordinator, Linda Hoover

SRHS was accepted into CA Adventure for Grad Nite. It will be held on June 5, 2020 and includes CA Adventure during the day with a party to follow at night.

Linda is currently working on bus transportation and getting SBAC certification.

Plan is to have students show up at SRHS around 9am, check in and take attendance, then depart for CA Adventure. On June 6, students will depart CA Adventure at 2am and return to SRHS around 3:15am.

Linda reported she has enough money in the Grad Nite account to make down payment for buses.

Chris Brookes asked Linda to ensure she is aware of any payments/deposits made so she can reconcile bank statements.

Ms. DeWitt reported cap and gown distribution will be held the same morning (June 5) from 7-11am. Some families can't afford Grad Nite ticket prior to holidays so Lennie Fernandez (previous Grad Nite Coordinator) allowed some students to put down a deposit in November for \$20 or \$40, then gave a full payment deadline sometime in January. Foundation board agreed this is a good idea for Grad Nite 2020 as well.

It was also brought up some students couldn't afford to go at all last year, so Lennie held a fundraiser in conjunction with the Old Pros to provide scholarships for 5 students.

Ms. DeWitt asked Linda to please work with her and SRHS Administration regarding those two areas – she would prefer scholarship stuff to go through her.

There is also the option on the Grad Nite payment sheet to sponsor another student.

Robert Hasson reported there were 3 or 4 big issues with buses last year - one bus broke down, toilet paper ran out, no phone charging ports. Obviously, some issues were bigger than others and Linda intends to address some of the easier issues ahead of time this year.

Paver (fundraiser) information should go out asap.

Grant Coordinator, Janeen Kozak

Submitted three grant requests last month:

1. Asked Charger Champions for \$67,000 grant to renovate the multi-purpose upper field that is currently unusable. The maximum grant request from Charger Champions is \$70,000 and the bids Janeen received were high so she went big.
2. Asked for \$5,000 from the CPPS (Community Project Programs and Services) grant for Mending Matters.
3. Asked for \$2,850 from ACCF (Arts Culture Community Festival) grant for the SR Film and Arts Festival.

Janeen reported we did not receive money from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program grant in 2019 for Mending Matters however the SR Baseball Program received \$60,000. Plan is to submit a new grant request for 2020 for the gym garden once she receives additional information from Heather Holland.

Wednesday College Series/College Corner Coordinator, Ginger Colletto

70 colleges have already visited SRHS since school began.

Offered thanks to Stacie Maurer for helping with last Wednesday as there were 38 colleges in attendance – it was HUGE!

Ginger anticipates another 30-40 colleges to visit before winter break. SDSU is coming this Wednesday, October 16, and they'll be in theater rather than the library due to PSAT testing.

Don't forget to visit College Corner.

Information and link are available on the SRHS website.

Total for Cash and Paper Stash was \$2,188

Taste of The Ranch, Felicity Hunter

TOTR is confirmed for May 2, 2020 at the Scripps Ranch Swim and Racquet Club on Aviary Drive. This event will be held there this one time only as an exception is being made. The club will not be closed during TOTR. Plan is to have a big tent on the basketball courts with a variety of restaurants supplying/donating food thus cost of entrance ticket is raising money for school, not paying food vendors.

Felicity reports she's unable to plan and execute the entire event on her own - she can handle décor and various creative aspects but needs help with baskets, etc.

Feedback on sports baskets from last year was negative. The exception was sports teams that offered camps. Those were a big hit.

Linda mentioned to remember to contact Cobs Family for possible Maui condo donation - all they ask for is 2 tickets to TOTR.

Committee is forming via Felicity - Jessica Baldis, Heather Chell, Suzanne Lawson, and Jen M all offered to help. Chris Brookes will handle the money, Kathryn offered to help with last minute concerns, Janeen will handle sports baskets. Committee will meet within next 2 weeks.

Felicity intends to send out a 'Save the Date' in the next week or two and would like to hit elementary and middle school parents too, in order to boost attendance.

Principal's Report, Nicole DeWitt

The PSAT is the big topic of the week. Initial plan was to only test 11th graders, with 10th graders being tested in Spring. SD school district said contract with College Board required testing all 11th and 10th graders however SRHS stated testing both grades in entirety is next to impossible.

Revised plan is to only test 10th grade seminar students (approximately 50 students) with remainder testing in Spring as originally planned.

Testing will be held in the gym, the library and the 900 building.

Students that take PSAT will be released for the day around noon.

All other students will remain on campus for remainder of day.

Students received testing location information in Core class, with reminder email to follow from school.

Lettie stated her son came home with incorrect information via teacher that non-testing students don't need to attend school on Wednesday. Email from school will reiterate everyone should attend school on Wednesday.

Thursday, October 17 is the Great California Shakeout and SRHS is participating.

Tuesday of next week will be a double assembly day.
9th graders will attend Rachels Challenge.
Grades 10-12 will listen to ASB speaker discuss resiliency, kindness, and respect.

This month, the focus is on Safety and Wellness and there are corresponding educational components going on throughout the month.

Ms. DeWitt and Ginger attended a workshop held by the Grossmont Union School District called “What I Wish My Parents Knew” – the focus being mental health and mental health services. Both felt it was so impactful they’d like to offer the same workshop during the month of February because February is Mental Health Awareness Month. Dates being considered are Feb 4, 6, 11, or 12. The classes are intended for parents and caregivers and cover things like improving communication, focusing on recovery (if something major has occurred), phones/internet and safety concerns. A Resource Fair was held prior to the Grossmont workshop and Ms. DeWitt would like to offer the same. Ms. DeWitt and Ginger are currently in discussions with various resource organizations in hopes they will attend.

Treasurer’s Report, Chris Brookes

Finances through September 30 are looking good.
The foundation has raised about \$13k of our \$40k goal and Chris thinks we will ultimately hit our goal, which is great news.
The foundation has spent \$14k thus far, so balance appears negative right now, but Chris reminded board not to worry. Balance sheet will right itself soon. Chris also updated no clubs have asked for money since last month.

Auditor’s Report, Carolyn Coglianesse

Carolyn was not in attendance - Suzanne stated she had nothing new to report.

Pledge Drive, Juliana Conzemius

Juliana stated since last foundation email thanking 60 donors, a total of 94 families have now donated to the pledge drive. She reported receiving a little flurry of activity/donations after each email is sent (which means the contact is working).
Pledge drive has made just under \$13k, with \$6,400 of that total raised in the first two weeks of October.
As of Oct 14, donations are ahead of where they were last year – pledge drive raised \$22k total in 2018-2019 school year.

Designated Donations, Heather Chell

Heather submitted the following:

1. September Designated Funds for Classes: \$585.63
 2. September Designated Funds for Clubs: \$10,606.20
 3. September Designated Funds for Sports: \$976.50
- September total: \$12,168.33

Heather noted a big chunk of the Designated Funds for Clubs was earmarked for the marching band.

October Designated Funds for Classes: \$97.20

Deposit Secretary, Robert Hasson

Robert had to leave prior to his scheduled speaking slot so the following information was sent to Lecia: There were 2 deposits made since the last foundation meeting.

1. A deposit of \$5,000 was made on 9/16/19.
2. A deposit of \$537.66 was made on 10/8/19.

Wishlist/Supply Drive, Heather Holland

There are currently 56 items on the Teacher Wishlist.

Heather mentioned she is uncomfortable drawing attention to the wish list until Pledge Drive is over.

Funding Requests, Kathryn Scurry

Kathryn asked the board to revisit the motion sensor funding request made by Ms. Stock. Her request wasn't included in the full Science Department funding request from last meeting. Given the Science Department request was approved at just over \$2,700 last month. The request was added to the Wish List.

Mr. Johnson, advisor for the Garden Club, requested money for plants. Concern was raised because it is a 'club' not a class, and previous club requests have been denied. Suzanne asked if the 'Garden to Café' program interacts with the Garden Club. Heather stated the requested plants feed butterflies, not humans, and the plant requests were not related to student consumption.

Question was asked if ASB can transfer funds to Garden Club. Response was ASB is unable to transfer funds however they could purchase the actual plants.

Jen M. then asked if clubs are not under the supervision of the Foundation, why was this even under discussion? Going forward, funding requests from clubs will be placed on the Wish List.

A funding request came from Mr. Moran for combination locks for the PE department.

Chris Brookes made a motion to use \$600 of remaining funds for combination locks for the PE department. Juliana Conzemius seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

Corresponding Secretary, Lettie Cederquist

Lettie sent out thank you's for anything through Sept 15 and got Tamara's information in order to send overdue thank you's for January 1, 2019 through June 2019.

Parliamentarian, Lisa Divona

Lisa is currently observing meeting proceedings and learning the process. Suzanne mentioned as part of the transition, Lisa will eventually be calling the motions herself (not Suzanne).

President's Report, Suzanne Lawson

Suzanne started off by stating she's received all conflict of interest statements except for those from Jessica, Dana, Jennie C, Jen M, and Felicity. The statements are extremely important, and Suzanne asked for the missing ones to be turned in asap.

While the school and foundation are appreciative of the generosity of those who choose not to report out of pocket spending on board expenses, Suzanne asked members to please keep track of individual expenses in order to better prepare the member who eventually takes your place.

New posting policy is still being worked out.

Eyes and ears are constantly on the foundation - just want information to be clear, consistent, factual. Plan is to refer everyone back to website. Jen M asked if we could set up an automatic email reply. Suzanne believes Doreen has one she sends out.

Separately, the front office asked for direct contact information for board members. Suzanne respectively declined and asked that anyone with questions go through the Foundation link to reach any member.

Positions for 2021 foundation board - it's never too early to start finding your replacement so get the word out. By Christmas, Suzanne will know specifically which positions she needs to fill.

Roundtable Discussion

Stacie mentioned people have been unsubscribing from the eBlast but also simultaneously going to website and asking to subscribe. She asked if Nicole could send out a message saying the information is one and the same. Nicole says people unsubscribe then get mad when they don't get contacted during an emergency.

Jen M. stated Vision 2030 is this Wednesday night at Marshall Middle School beginning at 5:30pm – please attend if you'd like to have a say in where the district is headed with Scripps Ranch schools. Feel free to spread the word. All the cluster principals will be there which means suggestions could be put in place earlier than year 2030. We, as a community, can decide something is important and request it be put it into action in our cluster, rather than waiting for the superintendent move forward. This is geared towards the graduates of the 2030 class, with a focus on college and career readiness. Current kindergarteners are class of 2032 - what type of curriculum can we put in place to help them succeed?

Considering the football game emergency on Friday night and the confusion surrounding the ambulance, Suzanne asked if we need better signage for the stadium. Nicole stated there were actually two emergencies occurring almost simultaneously, so it was less of a signage issue and more confusion over which emergency the ambulance was responding to. The follow-on question was why don't we have an ambulance on site at every game? SRHS has a full-time trainer and doctor onsite during games, so an ambulance is no longer required. The trainer and doctor can assess the medical concern and determine if emergency services should be called.

After considering all the issues surrounding the Homecoming game on Friday night, the consensus is Ms. DeWitt is quite cool.

The meeting adjourned at 6:34pm.

Respectfully,

Lecia Hass
Foundation Secretary