

SHS Foundation Minutes
December 5, 2018
6:30 p.m., Media Center

Attendees:

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| 1) Yvette Blease-Moore | 5) Mitch Gruber | 10) Tabor Samuelson |
| 2) Suzanne Carlson | 6) Kristina Hepburn | 11) Reid Staten |
| 3) Karin Davis | 7) Robbie Knight | 12) Nicholas Willis |
| 4) Maria Grande | 8) Katie Lemm | 13) Robert Wright |
| 5) Guy Grande | 9) Tanya Ruhe | |

Call to order: 6:36

Tabor moved to approved minutes from September and October; Suzanne second; Approved.

Treasurer's Report – Suzanne Carlson: Highlights: October cash is \$45,508.85. Liabilities includes grants awarded, but not yet paid. P&L was a little down from last year: \$42,846 YTD. Bocce: No more requests for reimbursements, so net amount is approximately \$10,000.00. Snack bar: Total income: \$28K; Expenses: \$4K. Net income: \$23K (through October).

November: Nothing much changed. Some grants were paid out. \$7.9K change. Had one expense - year policy for insurance. Snack bar figure is pre-split figure with football. Net income: \$24K (through November). Katie moved to approved; Tabor second; Approved.

Serra Site Representative – Nicholas Willis (VP). News: Instructional assessment with staff members conducted. Finished marking period II. Teachers' exam action plans discussed. School trying to get staff to be more engaged and to take ownership of their work. Administration is working with counseling team to better address students' needs. Elizabeth Ward is working as counselor with 9th and 10th graders.

Operations: Looking at scheduling. Starting to receive input from teachers, parents, and students. Tanya Ruhe asked, "How is the 10th grade college course doing?" Nicholas took the question under advisement and will look into this.

Fencing around campus: Will now try to funnel people through the front office. Tabor commented that she the school has not explained the fencing and its purpose to the community and she has only heard negative comments mainly regarding appearance of fence. She suggested doing a little PR, such as an article in Tierra Times. Construction updates on SHS blog. For events, questions, etc., Nicholas encourages people to refer to the school blog and Facebook for information regarding school. Elizabeth Ward also has an Instagram account that she maintains. Let them know how you feel!

School Play: "Fly by Night" showing a 2:30 pm matinee and 7:00 pm show, Tuesday through Saturday next week.

Tanya asked how to can get info on events (e.g., Cheer event) included in school blog, Instagram and Facebook? Nicholas explained that every Friday the school has administration meetings and you can email him at Nwillis@sandi.net for inclusion on these platforms.

President's Report – Mitch Gruber: Thankful for everyone's efforts. Last month, he met with Marlene Walter – the Serra PTO President to discuss working together. He opined that with 2 different parent groups there can be confusion. How can we maximize support of community and parents? Yvette commented that both groups raise funds, however both appear to be doing the same things with much overlap. Maria opined that it seems it would be better to combine efforts. Robert offered that this is not a new conversation and one that has been bandied around before. Conceptually, PTO's focus is to get more parents involved on campus. Foundation's is to raise money for major projects and try to do things that wouldn't normally get things done. Suzanne explained that PTO also assists with little things during the school day, such as snacks, award luncheons, etc. Mitch: It's about resources and revealed that Marlene is struggling to get stuff done. Is bigger better?

Grant Committee – Tabor Samuelson: Monday meeting. Reached out to administration to make sure they knew about the deadline. On Friday, grants received. Hope was that forms for requests had some proof attached and signatures from staff. Tabor explained that this was the first time received grants requests for substitute teachers, which were denied. Foundation did not feel comfortable paying salary. No documentation on costs and overall this felt awkward.

Another request that was denied was 2 special education teachers wanted to attend a conference. Did not feel comfortable, but offered it would be a better request if the administration requested money to pay for some of the expense of attending the conference. Tabor relayed to Nicholas that perhaps teachers needed more instruction on what could be covered in a grant request. Not opposed to paying for staff development, but requests need to be done in a better manner. Also, more detailed comments regarding the exact purpose of the grant request would be of better assistance to the committee.

Carly Spears asked for a US History prep book. Another grant request was for academic entrance fees. All approved.

Athletics: Pasapia submitted requests. Soccer coach received a partial grant - refs paid through AD office. Socks are personal items and are not generally paid for, but a grant would pay for lost/not returned soccer shorts. Requests for tournament fees were approved.

Clubs: Rugby club - Serra logo placed on OMBAC donated jerseys.

Biggest item: Pasapia - backstop netting at stadium. Athletic Dept. would pay for half. Would benefit many sports.

Questions: Yvette - personal items (socks) are not covered because not returned usually. Mitch: Pasapia is signing athletics. Principal and VPs signs for academics.

Maria moved to fund grants; Yvette seconded; Approved.

Branded Serra Logowear – Guy Grande/Mitch Gruber: presentation. Need delivery/sales advice. Tabor - basketball game; Kristina suggested targeting DePortola incoming freshman on campus.

Snack Bar – Robbie Knight: Basketball team (Boosters) has run the snack bar for last 3 years. Need to work on getting 2 new fridges. Visitor fridge is old home fridge and not ideal.

Membership – Leigh Ann Peeleman: No report because Leigh Ann was absent. Mitch pointed out that membership is down a little bit by approximately \$4K. Tabor: recalls discussion regarding adding value to membership, perhaps have membership levels.

Communication – Ali Kirkpatrick: Ali not in attendance, but she was asked to put a mention of the Logowear in the Tierra Times.

Campus Improvement – Robert Wright: Lost an Alexander palm because of poor irrigation. Foundation bought these palms - rare and expensive. Used to have 3 on marquee, now only have 1. Treebeard maintains corner and palms sits on city right of way. No automatic irrigation to any plants. Project manager from SD Unified and high ups in Treebeard have been contacted to find out what problem is.

Tierrasanta Recreation Counsel – Reid Stanton: Not much going on. Some money is coming in, but do not have control. Problem with adults playing soccer and drinking on the fields.

Alumni Liaison – Yvette Moore: Nothing to report. Jeff is non-responsive about alumni group leadership. Not sure if enough people to form an organization. Yvette cannot head the organization, but big undertaking and need more volunteers.

DePortola Liaison – Kristina Hepburn. T-shirts are great way to promote. Cake auction. Confused as to 2 groups at Serra.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:49