

Palisades High School Booster Club, Inc.
A California Non-profit Non-stock Corporation

Minutes for February 23, 2016
MEMBERS' MEETING
Library

- I. **Call to Order** – by Dick Held at 7:30 PM

- II. **Attendance/Introductions** – The following members of the Board of Directors were in attendance: Lisa Kalin, Ivy Greene, Dorotheanne Carr, Philip Gabriel, Dick Held, Naze Noghreian, Daniela Prechter, Cindy Freedland, Sara Collins, Becky Goodell, Kandy Ringquist, Marnie Ware, and Donna Mandosa. Members of the Board of Directors who were absent: None. Additional Members in attendance.

- III. **Review/Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting** – Dick Held asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the January Members' Meetings. Dorotheanne Carr so moved and Lisa Kalin seconded the Motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- IV. **Treasurer's Report** – Cash on hand is \$158,484.58. Grant requests awarded this year total \$107,508.19. All have been paid except the \$3,500 water system. The auction income to date is \$15,875.02. Ivy Green moved to approve the treasurer's report and Naze Noghreian seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- V. **Old Business**
 - a. **Auction** – Last year we had 400 bidders at this time. The online auction is nationwide. Bids are not limited to local Pali community. Julianne asked all students to use social media to increase bidders. Brad from the front office will do a Robo call before the auction. We are still accepting donations, but big push is to increase bidders and bid amounts. Right now we only have 185 bidders compared to 400 from last year. School email blasts on behalf of the Booster Club are only once a week and are not enough to get spread the word outside of the Pali community. Parents and students are asked to donate items and bring them to the front office. We have fewer items available than last year at this time. However, the value of this year's items is greater than last year. American Legion and Masons will make annual donations to Booster Club at this year's auction

 - b. **Pali Gateway 3** - Doug Suisman gave a short report and explained how the \$21,000 Booster Club grant was spent on the project. Schematic designs are complete. Doug is in contact with a Pali dad who is a contractor. The project is near ready to go to LAUSD for consideration and begin the approval process. Doug is hopeful some construction will soon begin. The EAST class has also contacted Doug for help with its own vision to improve the median

on the Palisades Median along Bowdoin. Doug reported support for the project and its consistency with the Gateway overall project goals.

VI. New Business –

a. Funding Requests –

- i. Sangeet Dhandwar and her team from the EAST project are requesting \$10,000 for the restoration of the median in front of the campus and the installation of drought resistant California native plants. They are working closely with Doug Suisman and Dave Riccardi. Right now, there is only dirt and dead grass on the median. They need \$7,500 for plants, \$3,000 for crew, \$2,500 for a Gate, and \$2,000 for irrigation. They hope to receive a \$5,000 grant from the Optimist Club in April. Students need the money for the demo crew first to clear the median. Project can be completed from start to finish within 4-6 weeks. Pali does not own the median. City of LA has approved Adopt a Median for Pali High. Dave Riccardi confirmed the school will maintain the median after completion as a part of standard school maintenance, which will include trimming plants every other year. Students are undertaking other fundraising efforts.

Total Requested - \$10,000

Total Approved – \$10,000

- ii. James Paleno from the Boys' Golf Team is requesting \$2,200 for team expenses and to allow more opportunities to practice more consistently at improved facilities. Expenses include range fees, green fees, cart fees Mountain Gate, and uniforms. The students have started to caddy to make money for their registration fees. The team pays for their own clubs and equipment. Mountain Gate has been generous with course time for the boys. The boys have very high GPA's and donate their time to charity.

Total Requested - \$2,200

Total Approved – \$2,200 for expenses other than uniforms

- iii. Amanda Campbell, P.E. teacher, is requesting \$550 for lodging for the 2016 CAHPERD Conference in Santa Clara. This is for Physical Education, dance, and recreation. The school is paying for registration and she will be paying for the transportation. She is paying \$300 for transportation and \$60 for food for 5 days. She needs the money for lodging. She will attend on behalf of the PE dept. and bring back ideas and share tools learned for the benefit of the entire P.E. department.

Total Requested - \$550

Total Approved – \$550 provided the school reimburses her for transportation and food and if the school does not, then increase grant up to \$1,100 for confirmed and unreimbursed expenses

- iv. Elizabeth Stoyanovich is requesting \$4,600 to attend the SCSBOA festival competition in San Diego on April 7th for Symphony Orchestra and Jazz Band. This money will also be used for bus transportation for Side by Side at Paul Revere Middle School. Twice they will take the entire string program and the Jazz Band to play at Paul Revere Middle School so the middle schoolers know there is a place for them at Pali once they graduate. They will also be going to a Festival in Santa Barbara on May 4th. They meet in 7th period. All students play in all ensembles in the music department. About 75 students will be going to festival and 300 will be going to Paul Revere. This is the first time they will be doing a fundraiser with Paul Revere.

Total Requested - \$4,600

Total Approved –\$4,600

- v. Track coach, Tony Ryan, is requesting \$2,864.64 for equipment. He would like to purchase a power water tank for the track team. All kids can use this. It is portable and it has a battery pack that keeps the water cool. This would stay at PALI. He is also requesting money for a measuring wheel so they don't have to use cones to mark the track. They also need stretching bands, jump ropes, and a starting pistol. He keeps all of his equipment in a storage bin.

Total Requested - \$2,864.64

Total Approved - \$2,864.64

- vi. Joshua Elson is requesting \$3,800 for the annual Choir Tour. It is 4-day trip to San Francisco. They sing at various places such as convalescence homes, Pier 39 and a residential facility for abused children. This grant will benefit 55 students. This helps the students grow as singers and performers. They also bond with each other. They need the money for transportation. For fundraising they have sold baked goods and had concerts. They have raised \$3,000 for concerts. They stay at hotels and people's homes from the church.

Total Requested - \$3,800

Total Approved - \$3,800

Total Funding Requests on February 23, 2016 - \$24,014.64

Total Funding Approved on February 23, 2016 - \$24,014.64

- b. **Adjournment** –There being no further business to come before the Members, Dick Held adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:00PM.
- c. Next meeting is Tuesday, March 29nd at 6:30 in the Library.

Dated: February 23, 2016

Nazanine Noghreian, Secretary