

## **PARTS Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** Tuesday, September 10, 2019

**Location:** RHSA Theater

**In Attendance:** *Board Members: 6; Faculty: 2; Students: 24; Parents: 16.*

**Attendees:** Jeremy Dodgen, Elaine Del Bello, Juana Carrera, Collie Johnson, Estela Gama, Lori Brake, Michael Navia, Ryan Byrne, Elizabeth Williamson, Magdalena Guillen, Kassi Rios, Kailee McRimmon, Klaire Laguardia, Jessica Padilla, Leon Broussard, Patty Caballero, Jeniya Besse, Tina Bradley, Kristiana Dimitrov, Hannah Wells, Dani Gonsales, Mariana Gonzalez, Christine Anderson, Jeniah Anderson, Angela Silva, Kevin Roberts, Cheyennena Hawk, Mikel Bueno, Akira Dogonyan, Jose Angulo, Tina Wells, Cierrah Pamilton, Robin Wade, Amanda Wells, Lynda Salem Poling, Leanna Fernandes, Monica Rodriguez, Linda Gillum, Sequoyah Hawk, Michael Torres, D'Ann Stokes, Saquita Turks, Paloma Encarnacion, Tania Roberts.

**Called to order:** at 6:10 pm by Jeremy Dodgen, President

### **Introductions:**

The PARTS Board introduced themselves and staff members were also introduced.

### **Purpose of PARTS:**

The purpose of PARTS was explained, including who makes up the community, volunteer opportunities, and how funds are used.

### **Elections:**

It was explained that two board members, Amanda Wells and Sandi Jenkins, had to resign over the summer. Additionally, there was an extra board position available.

The candidates for these three positions introduced themselves, and there were no nominations from the floor. A voice vote was taken and was unanimous in favor of electing all three board members.

Congratulations to our new board members, who will serve through the end of this school year:

**Juana Carrera, Vice President**

**Collie Johnson, Second Vice President**

**Lori Brakes, Banker/Second Treasurer**

### **Bylaws Review:**

Having received notice of prospective bylaws updates, Elaine Del Bello explained the updates and offered opportunities for questions about the changes.

Jeremy then asked for a motion to approve the changes to the bylaws as presented. A motion was made, seconded, and the vote was unanimous in the affirmative. The bylaws will be amended and posted online.

### **Business:**

The May minutes were posted online. A motion was made to approve them as posted. The motion was seconded, a vote called, and it was unanimous. The minutes were approved as posted.

Estela Gama presented the Treasurer's Reports for May, June, and July, which were posted online. A motion was made and seconded to ratify the reports as presented. The voting was unanimous, reports were approved as posted.

Estela presented the budget for the 2019-20 year, it was posted online and copies were available. There was a motion made and seconded to approve the budget as presented. Voting was unanimous and the budget was approved as presented.

Estela presented the Treasurer's Reports for August, which was posted online. A motion was made and seconded to ratify the report as presented. The voting was unanimous, the report was approved as posted.

Jeremy presented the fundraising plans for the year, including support/concessions for school performances, sales of banners and program ads for selected performances, spirit wear sales, scholarship donations, and restaurant nights. There was a question about using the marquee for ads that was addressed. A motion was made to approve fundraising plans as presented, it was seconded, and the voting was unanimous. Fundraising plans were approved as presented.

Announcements were made regarding Talent show dates, the supply drive, and back to school night.

### **Principal's Report:**

Mr. Navia introduced himself. This is his 20<sup>th</sup> year as a principal, he began his career as an English teacher. He shared his email: [mnavia@lbschools.net](mailto:mnavia@lbschools.net) and encouraged parents to contact him. His biggest concern is for the students.

He shared with us Mr. Steinhauser's vision to "put Renaissance on the map" and that he wanted it to be the "OCSA of Long Beach." Mr. Navia was instrumental in changing Marshall Middle School to a performing arts academy.

He believes in student recognition, will be doing Student of the Month awards, as recognition helps them and also helps on their college applications. The awards will be held the first Friday of every month at 7am, PARTS will provide breakfast.

Mr. Navia shared that he likes to share the good things happening at Renaissance, so families can follow him @PrincipalNavia on Twitter. He would really like to bring in more sponsorships and fundraising, and is willing to help form a foundation if there are parents willing to help.

He mentioned that he and Asst. Principal Mr. Jimenez as well as the Chief Security Officer are all new to Renaissance. There was a misunderstanding on the second day of school involving some of the students, and he apologized to students and families. He reassured them that all students would be able to access the amphitheater/quad area and have access to shade during first period.

Questions were raised about the late start and options were discussed, including having students be teacher's aides, find a place with supervision for a study period, etc. He pointed out that there are not enough teachers for everyone to have eight classes, and that the late start was implemented at the district level.

He talked about freshmen auditions to place new students in their arts classes, which has never been done before.

### **ASB Report:**

ASB President Hannah Wells shared that ASB students sat in on a school budget meeting this year, since the ASB budget is for all students, they wanted to have all students represented. They met with everyone on the budget committee.

She and other members of ASB participated in an Interdistrict Summer Camp with other high schools. They had a lot of teambuilding exercises and will be collaborating with other high schools this year.

ASB assisted with orientation each day. There will be a welcome back dance on Friday, Sep. 13<sup>th</sup>. For those who bought packages at registration, the dance is included, or it will be \$5 at the door. She shared that they have the most students ever in ASB, with 23 people.

**Announcements:**

- Remember to renew your membership and donations are always welcome.
- Supply drive donations are welcome through September 27<sup>th</sup> in the office.
- Meeting minutes and financial reports will be online at [rhsaparts.org](http://rhsaparts.org)
- See everyone at Back to School Night Wed., Oct. 2nd
- Next meeting will be Tuesday, Oct. 8th

**Meeting adjourned:** at 7:14 pm. by Jeremy Dodgen, President  
Respectfully submitted by Elaine Del Bello, Secretary