

RHSA PARTS SEPTEMBER 2016 MEETING MINUTES

Date: September 13, 2016

Location: Renaissance High School for the Arts, School Cafeteria

In Attendance: 5 Board Members, Faculty 3, Students: 5, Members: 33

Elaine Del Bello, Mary Barber, Molly Richards, Lianne Rugeroni, Theresa Bohman, Ann Wellman, Chris Jordan, Alma Camarena, Leanor Orozco, Khai Joseph, Stephanie Wade, Sandi Jenkins, Emily Jenkins, Amanda Wells, Heather Stamatelatos, Renea Page, Patty Gonzales, Goretti Morales, Kim Holland, Maria Victoria Jimenez, Sofia Del Bello, Jade Jones, Stacey Lewis, Alice Allen, Aminah Allen, Karrington Lewis, Delores Bryant, Michelle Rosenquist, Rubi Contreras, Kevin Recker, Ryan Byrne, Kelly Colman-Muir, Kim White, Brian Barber

Called to Order at: 6:32pm by Elaine Del Bello

Welcome and Introduction of Board Members Elaine summarized how PARTS was started and how the group functioned last year with only five or six members doing the majority of the duties and volunteering. PARTS was close to dissolving at the end of 2015-2016 school year. Elaine reached out to newer members to help keep PARTS going and a new board was formed. Each Board Member stood up and briefly introduced themselves. With the school change of location, school administration change, the reincorporation of PARTS, applying for a new tax ID, and setting up new bank accounts, etc. the board has been very busy over the summer.

Introduction of Principal & Staff members: Ms. Holland introduced herself. She has a background in music, and during her 28 years in the district, she taught at Bancroft Middle School, was Assistant Principal at Hill Middle School, and Principal at Rogers Middle School. Ms. Holland introduced the faculty in attendance, Mr. Byrne, who is the ASB leader and History teacher, and Michelle Rosenquest, the 9th grade Biology and Chemistry teacher.

Introduction of parents, guardians, and students: It was pointed out that this is the first year that students have had the opportunity to participate in PARTS and that they are especially welcome and we look forward to them sharing their goals, ideas for raising funds, and how PARTS money should be spent. Individuals went around the room introducing themselves.

Goals and Methods: The PARTS mission statement was read for the group (see website) Volunteer sign up sheets were passed around the meeting. New this year, each art department chairperson is responsible for working with the designated art department chair and will help organize raising funds for their field trips, coordinate donations for needed supplies, and signing up needed volunteers for performances, etc.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Request for **approval of May 2016 minutes** as posted online was made

VOTE: It was motioned, seconded, and approved. **PASSED.**

- **Membership report:** Last year PARTS had 43 new members sign up. This year there are 65 new members signed up to date.

- **Supply drive for classrooms:** Thank you to everyone who brought the much needed supplies. The supply drive will continue through Friday, September 16th.

NEW BUSINESS:

Treasurer's Report and Budget – Due to extenuating circumstances, the budget was not available for distribution and approval at the time of the meeting. Some figures were discussed:

- \$1600 was moved to the new account, the remainder of \$800 was left to pay out last year's scholarships.
- Recent deposits include \$554 from membership, as well as \$85 from Paypal and \$45 from Square (also membership.) This brings the current available funds to approx. \$2200
- The fundraising goal for this year is \$10,000, which will be proposed to spend similarly to recent years, including field trip transportation, scholarships, teacher appreciation, and requests by teachers for equipment and supplies. *(Correction from the meeting: last year's field trip expenditures were only approximately \$1900, or about 30% of the budget)*

The full budget and summer Treasurer's report will be up on the website soon, members will be notified when it is available, and it will be approved at the October meeting

Fundraising: This year's main fundraiser is set to be a 100% profit pledge drive with no cost incentives provided by the staff/school and determined by students. There is a possibility of some restaurant nights, news to come. Other ways to donate are corporate fund matching & using the PayPal link on the website

Upcoming Events: Parent Night Out is Friday, September 23rd. It is a social night for parents to get to know each other and will be held at Rebel Bite, 649 E. Broadway, Long Beach, from 7:00-9:00PM. Back to School Night will be Tuesday, October 4th

Principal's Report: Ms. Holland spoke about the goals and vision for the school, current student achievement levels, interventions, and building a sense of community within Renaissance. Next year WASC will be visiting Renaissance for accreditation over the course of 4 days. After approval of those in attendance, a few minutes were also used for Ms. Holland to answer a few parent questions. For the future, requests for an item to be added to the agenda should be given 48 hours in advance of the meeting via email or phone (email is on the website.) Ms. Holland requested volunteers for the following positions: School Site Council, the Superintendent's Forum alternate, and High School Assistant Superintendent's Forum.

College Prep Info: Due to time constraints, the handout "Getting Ready for College: A Four Year Checklist for High School Teens" was briefly reviewed. It was adapted from: www.connectionsacademy.com

Announcements

- See the budget, the meeting minutes, and financial reports on the rhsaparts.org website
- Next meeting Tuesday, October 11th
- See you at Back to School Night October 4th and at the Parents Night Out on September 23rd

Meeting Adjourned at 7:32PM

Submitted by Lianne Rugeroni, Secretary