

**Soldotna High School PTSA**  
**4.12.18 General Membership Meeting Minutes**

- Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Sheilah-Margaret Pothast at 5:31 pm.
- Attendees:** Sheilah-Margaret Pothast, Lesley Quelland, Maryanne Rogers, Jeff Belluomini, Cody Quelland, Tony Graham, Jacquelyn Kennedy, Lauri Kapp, Debbie Delker and Curtis Schmidt.
- Agenda:** The agenda was approved as presented with a StuCo presentation by Cody Quelland added to the top of the agenda. .
- Minutes:** The minutes of the 2.15.18 PTSA meeting were approved as presented. (Rogers/Kennedy)
- Treasurer Report:** Jeff Belluomini reported the following balances through 3.31.18.

PTSA:	\$6,050.30
Parents of Seniors	\$1,281.53
Parents of Juniors	\$1,875.00
Share Account	\$ 55.00
<b>Combined Balance:</b>	<b>\$9,261.83</b>

**Student Council Presentation – Cody Quelland:** At the request of the SoHi Student Council, Cody Quelland presented a proposal for updating the Soldotna High School Athletic successes and accomplishments as presented on the banners placed throughout the school. Through extensive research, there is 19 teams (with the exception of Softball, Baseball and Wrestling who have yet to record a Regional Championship, State-Runner Up or State Championship) who currently have one or more banners throughout the school. The goal with implementing the new banners is to better represent SoHi’s athletic accomplishments prominently and equally, provide a symbol of legacy for athletics as well as to easily facilitate the addition of future accomplishments on each banner. Each team will purchase their own Banner (80%=\$80/team) and Soldotna HS Student Council will pay 20%=\$380.00 total. Due to added training costs for the Soldotna HS Student Council next year to include a trip to Kotzebue, the StuCo is asking the PTSA for financial assistance with the purchase of the Banners for \$380.00. President Pothast noted there are two (2) \$500 scholarships that were awarded last year that have been turned back to PTSA so that is additional funding now that was not in the projected budget. After further discussion, a motion was made by and seconded (Rogers/J.Belluomini) to award a check to Soldotna High School Student Council for the amount of \$380.00 for the purchase of new banners.

**Principal’s Report:** **Mr. Schmidt:** The class of 2021 is doing well and Mr. Schmidt is pleased all the students are working hard on their grades and current activities. The After Prom went well with the setup, presentation and clean up. There is a school climate culture survey being completed. It is unknown at this time if that information will be shared publicly. Mr. Schmidt with follow up and let us know.

**Mr. Graham:** Although Kenai HS and SoHi Proms were on the same night, there were 241 tickets sold for Prom so it was a good fundraiser. Many donations of food and drinks were appreciated. The Agatha Christie play “And Then There Were None” starts tonight. The

administration has been scheduling the block curriculum for next year. They are excited and accepting of the change. This will provide a more engaging environment for the students. Creative Writing, Technical Writing, Journalism and Fulfillment Literature have been added. Discussion was held regarding the Assembly Budget Meeting and representation of parents, kids and administrators. A parent asked if the schools are creating awareness for the kids regarding the budget cutbacks and how it will affect the school programs, teachers, etc... Mr. Graham said they have shared talking points with the student council on how specific topics are going to have an effect on the students and schools. Student's voices can be heard and it also helps to empower them.

- Committee Reports:**
- 1. Parents of Juniors:** A HUGE Thank You to all the volunteers! They received over \$5400 in monetary donations. 180 attended and 170 stayed for the entire night. There will be a later gathering to write thank you notes and summarize activities and donations.
  - 2. Parents of Seniors:** Next/final planning meeting Monday, May 7 @ 5:30 pm, Staff lounge. We have started receiving donations and checks.

- Old Business:**
- 1. 2018-2019 Officers Positions:** Discussion was held regarding duties and responsibilities. The President and Treasurer positions have to remain filled to qualify for a non-profit organization. Nominations have been opened and accepted for President: Maryanne Rogers, Vice President: Lauri Kapp, Secretary: Jacqueline Kennedy. The Treasurer position will be addressed at the next meeting.
  - 2. PTSA Scholarship:** The deadline has closed. The PTSA needs a 3-person selection committee (possibly Barb B., Maryanne R., Lauri K.). The review of the scholarships need to be completed by May 1, 2018

- New Business:**
- 1. Spring Staff Appreciation Luncheon:** No plans have been made at this time.
  - 2. 2018-2019 Draft Budget:** The proposed budget by the Treasurer can be voted on in the fall if not approved at the May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

**Adjournment:** At 6:30 pm by general consensus of all present.

**Announcements:** Next meeting: **Thursday, May 3, 2018**, 5:30 pm, SoHi Staff lounge.

***Thank you so much for being here! Your participation in our PTSA is valued and appreciated!***