

2019-2020 GHS PTA Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 11, 2020

Attendees:

Andrew Gitner, Hal Templeton, Nate Geroche, Jackie Greiner, Cynthia Grover, Shannon Cross, Cassandra Hunt, Tricia Smith, Kay Markovich, Michelle Trader, Jade Trujillo, Cali Poulos, Tammy Cooper, Gina Brown, Chris Bird, Gail Mason, Kat Baatarsukh, Amy O'Connell, Kristi Brunel, Sara Page, Patti Gustafson

- The meeting was called to order at 5:35pm.
- Welcome/Introductions
- Review and approval of PTA meeting minutes from 1/14/20.
 - There were no additions or updates to the meeting minutes.
 - Motion to approve minutes by Cynthia Grover. Motion approved.
- Principal's Report – Hal Templeton
 - It is a busy time of year as second semester gets into full swing.
 - Sports – Both boys and girls basketball seasons are going well. Wrestling team regionals are scheduled the coming weekend.
 - Theater – One act play performances are coming soon.
 - Staff is preparing for the chili cookoff.
 - Jesse Swift has started an esports group and there is a lot of student interest.
 - Speech and Debate team is doing well.
- Treasurer's Report – Kay Markovich
 - There is a currently \$21,493.9 (cumulative) balance in PTA bank accounts per the balance sheet.
 - (3) grants were paid last week per the January PTA votes.
 - A total \$14,000 is budgeted for PTA grants this school year and we have paid \$4135 to date, leaving \$9865 available.
- Chili Cook-off and Silent Auction – Chris Bird/Gina Brown
 - Gina reported that the online Silent Auction is scheduled from noon Sunday (2/16) through noon Thursday (2/20). The online auction will have 20 items. Please share links to the auction and share auction information on social media outlets to generate participation.
 - Tickets for the cookoff are on sale online and are 50% off through Thursday at noon.
 - The regular silent auction will have at least 90 items valuing over \$11k at retail value.
 - If you're able to help the night of the auction and cook-off, please sign up using the Sign-Up Genius or simply come ready to help Thursday night.
 - The membership committee will have a table at the entrance to the event and will solicit memberships and speak to open committee/lead positions available for the 2020/2021 school year.
 - Chris addressed questions regarding the number of tasting spoons and tasting cups for the event and we are stocked and ready for Thursday night.
 - We are still in need of additional chili cooks. We could use about 8 more staff cooks and 17 more students and general participants. Currently, there is only one individual student participant.
 - The Survey Monkey app will be used for voting this year.
- Grants – Kat Baatarsukh
 - There were no additional grant requests to discuss at this meeting.
 - Grant Follow-up – Mr. Gittner/Disc Golf Course
 - Mr. Gittner addressed the PTA to offer a thank you for assistance with the City of Golden grant for the disc golf course. Stage 1 of the course is complete. A total of 9 permanent baskets are in place, each with a 25-year warranty. Mr. Donofrio helped with the course

design. The goal of the design and construction team is that the course be safe and sustainable. The course does not interfere with future track expansion and upgrade projects. Student support has been incredible. Several Demon Academy students have 'tested' the course for trial use. There is consideration that seniors that are not completing ACT or SAT testing this year may be able to assist with the project as part of a capstone project. In the future, private hole sponsorships, signage, and discs with logos will be considered as methods to raise money for ongoing course maintenance. Overall THANK YOU to the PTA for support to get the project off the ground!

- Grant Follow-up – Mr. Geroche/Physics & Chemistry Sensors
 - Mr. Geroche shared a thank you to the PTA for approving the grant to purchase new sensors for the Chemistry and Physics department labs. The following sensors were purchased: pH sensors, temperature & pressure sensors, spectrometer, and motion sensors. The sensors offer the ability for real-time data collection. The sensors connect via Bluetooth to chromebooks, iphones, ipads, etc. to the Sparkview application. The sensors replace dated Spark probes that do not interface with all equipment and often need access to an AC outlet, limiting data collection flexibility. The new sensors will be put into use within the next two weeks and students will enjoy using them this semester. THANK YOU to the PTA for approving this grant!
- Student Council Report – Calista Poulos & Jade Trujillo
 - The Student Council is gearing up to assist with PR for the chili cookoff and to help the night of the event.
 - The Student Council is getting ready for Wish Week 3/9-3/13/2020. There will be a spirit week that week with every day having a theme. Each day/night will also have a participating restaurant that will donate a portion of their proceeds to the Wish campaign.
 - StudCo had taken ownership for the GHS Instagram page and is posting coming events to generate excitement and participation.
- Scholarships – Amy O'Connell
 - The scholarships have officially been announced. Entries are due the week after Spring Break on 4/10/20. A meeting will occur on 4/20/20 to vote for the scholarship winners. Winners will be announced at the assembly on 5/14/20.
- After Prom – Kristi Brunel
 - Kristi is working with Wendy Ward to send 140-150 additional letters for After-Prom.
 - Unfortunately, the Golden Elks donation that has been a consistent gift to the After-Prom committee of \$1500 will not be received for the next two years due to reallocation of their finances. As a result, the team is feeling a bit behind in donations. The team is asking each PTA member to consider families or businesses that can assist in filling the gap. Some of the gap will also be filled by donations during school registration (there is a check box in the student fee section).
 - Tracy has completed a walk-through of the Golden Rec Center venue to review decoration options.
 - The Table Mountain Inn is undergoing construction, so the next After-Prom meeting will be next Wednesday, 2/22/20 with a location TBD.
 - Kat has contacted the Golden Civic Foundation and they have offered (2) \$1000 scholarships that will be raffled at the end of the After Prom. Only those in attendance at the end will have the opportunity to win the scholarship.
- Meeting adjourned at 6:35pm

GHS PTA BOARD for 2019-2020 includes Officers and Standing Committee Chairs:

Officers: (Part of Board)

- President: Shannon Cross goldendemonspta@gmail.com (PTA gmail account – Shannon to check regularly)
- Vice President: Cassandra Hunt cassandrach3@gmail.com
- Treasurer: Kay Markovich treasurergoldenhighschool@gmail.com
- Secretary: Patti Gustafson pdgustafson@msn.com

Standing Committee Chairs: (Part of Board)

- Finance: OPEN o Nominating: Vacant
- Membership/King Sooper cards: Barb Goldman & Kristi McGaugh bsgoldman@comcast.net and kristimcgaugh@gmail.com
- After Prom: Kristi Brunel klbrunel@msn.com
- Hospitality: Jackie Griener/Cynthia Grover jackie@marketminded.com and cpg1470@gmail.com
- Reflections: Suzanne Ninke/ Kathy Fisher/Michelle Trader ninkes@yahoo.com, kathy@katfishdesign.net and traders2@rmi.net
- Scholarships: Amy O'Connell amy80401@gmail.com

Other Committee Chairs: (Not Part of Board)

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 - Silent Auction: Co Chairs: Gina Viola Brown ginaviolabrown@gmail.com
 - Holiday Bazaar: Tammy Cooper campcoop@comcast.net
 - Grants: Kat Baatarsukh katb5280@gmail.com
- PTA school mailbox – Kat to check frequently
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