

**Leigh HSC Meeting Minutes
Sept. 20, 2011**

- I. **Call to order** - 7:04pm

- II. **Introductions** – Went around the table and introduced ourselves. Present at the meeting were: Todd Mendenhall, Lori Tomlinson, Cynthia MacQuarrie, Pam Stacks, Lynn Rice, Jenny Torres, AnaPilar McDowell, Carol Eklund, Donna Hope, Meagan Michael, Kendra Shultz, Rachel Izor, Amanda Wilson, Andrea Mello, Debbie Pearson and Dave Manley.

- III. **Approval of Minutes** – Minutes were approved with no amendments.

- IV. **Treasurers Report**
 - a. We went over what the income and expenses are so far.
 - b. A current budget report will be posted on the website.
 - c. Right now our expenses are where we expect them to be at this time of year.
 - d. Income is way down from last year and that is due to lack of membership donations.

- V. **Representative Reports**
 - a. **Student Body Reps**
 - i. The students have decided on a homecoming theme but they are keeping it a secret for now.
 - ii. Freshman leadership elections took place and 10 kids ran with 4 being elected to positions.
 - iii. The students like their quad but are not too fond of the fences. However, they are going to try to use the fences to their benefit during homecoming.
 - iv. Blood drive coming up. Students have to be 17 years of age and over 110 pounds in order to donate. Parents and community members are welcome! See website for more information.
 - b. **Teachers Report**
 - i. Normally when Amanda asks the teachers if they have anything to comment on they say very little. This time there was an overwhelming response with things they had to say. All of it positive. **See Teacher Announcement Handout.**
 - c. **Principal's report**
 - i. Five new classes will be added to Leigh's schedule and about 200 students will experience a schedule change on or around October 5th. The five classes are: Econ/Gov, AP Gov, Art 1, English and Biology.
 - ii. About 40% of the teachers will be affected by the change and they are working diligently to make this as minimal a disruption as possible.
 - iii. One set of lights went out at the football game on Friday night so the game was stopped at half time. It is against district policy, for safety reasons, to play without all the lights working. Half Moon Bay had to return to finish the game

or forfeit. They returned on Monday the 19th and won the game against Leigh. There is a district electrician coming this week and will not leave until the lights are ready for this coming Friday's game.

- iv. Donna encouraged us to go out and admire the quad in the evening when the lights are on, it looks like a park.
- v. The fences around the quad will only be up for 60 more days.
- vi. We had a 6 point gain on our API and we are now at 822. Donna thinks we can increase our score by another 20 points this year.
- vii. Errors were found on the school calendar that was distributed at the beginning of the year. Please go to the Leigh website and print a new updated calendar.
- viii. Go to webpage for updates on changes around the school (solar panels, parking lot lights, etc.)
- ix. There is a new program called "Donuts with Donna". It will consist of reports from HSC, PAPA and Sports Booster meetings. This is designed for parents that can't make the night meetings, however everyone is welcome! (See Leigh website for dates and times).
- x. Every Thursday will be college day for the staff. All of the staff will all dress in t-shirts, etc. from colleges.
- xi. Whole Foods Night for our District fundraiser made about 6K for the district. It was fun and easy and we are trying to do it again in November. Thank you to all who shopped at Whole Foods on September 14th because 5% of your purchase went to the Campbell Union High School District.

VI. Committee Reports

a. Membership

- i. 263 people have joined membership so far.
- ii. Donations up to this point are \$14,335.00. The goal is 20K, so we need to increase donations somehow.
- iii. Last year it was 14K after registration and a lot more donations came in at back to school night. This year we only had 6K at registration and only one check was turned in at Back to School Night.
- iv. We are going to send out a phone pitch and see if that boosts donations.

b. College and Career

- i. Has been up and running for several weeks with veteran volunteers. Lynn was waiting until after college conferences before asking for new volunteers. She wanted to focus on the process and the knowledge that all volunteers have.
- ii. Lots of college reps coming in the next few weeks.
- iii. Two college reps came on one day USC and St. Mary's. The student turnout was great!
- iv. Students in English 4 are getting ready to write essays as preparation for college applications.

- v. We talked about how to make the kids that are going to junior college still feel a part of the college community and let them know they are just as important as kids that are going to four year colleges. There are lots of Junior colleges that transfer into bigger colleges so maybe we can focus on sharing that information with the kids. We need to remind everyone it is the “College **and** Career” Center.

c. **Grad Night**

- i. The decision was made to take a SF bay cruise for Grad Night.
- ii. A souvenir photo is just one of the fun things that will be available to the kids. There are lots of other activities that will be offered.
- iii. The committee is busy planning fundraisers to help keep the cost of the tickets down.
- iv. More details will be disclosed as decisions are made.
- v. Three kids went on the cruise to try it out and they had a blast!

d. **Hospitality**

- i. Back To School Night and Apple Harvest Event for the staff have already taken place.
- ii. There is a Halloween Treat in the works.

e. **eScrip**

- i. 45 new members so far which brings us to a total of 352.
- ii. Considering we have over 1600 students, there are obviously a lot more families that need to join!

f. **District Finance Meeting**

- i. First meeting was sparsely attended due to back to school nights.
- ii. The philosophy of this meeting is to share knowledge and to get information out to the public.
- iii. Talked about the impact on the facility and staff in terms of furloughs and long term retirement benefits.

VII. Old Business – None

VIII. New Business

a. **Grant review:** Need tutors for Algebra 1 after school classes.

- i. We have supported this program for the past three years.
- ii. There is a very large amount of students that struggle with Algebra 1.
- iii. The problem with being behind in math is that math builds on itself, so if a student does not get it in Algebra 1 the chance of them succeeding in any further math classes is very low.
- iv. This is a great program that supports many kids.
- v. We need tutors to support these kids and this program. The tutors are paid \$8.00 an hour and their tutoring also looks good on college applications.

- vi. There is an average of 120 kids on the roster at any time but there are at least 200 kids helped during the school year.
- vii. The program has been very successful in past years!
- viii. A motion was made and approved to give the Mathematics department \$2400.00 for the program.

IX. Announcements

- a. Leigh football home games – Friday's 9/23, 9/30, 10/7
- b. PAPA Meeting - Monday's 10/3 7:00pm Band Room
- c. Sports Booster Meeting – 10/11, 6:00pm Library
- d. Choir Benefit Concert – 10/13, 7:00pm Performing Arts Center
- e. Homecoming Week – 10/17
- f. Next HSC Meeting, Tuesday 10/18, 7:00pm, Library

X. Meeting Adjourned