

# Prospect High School PTSA Meeting

## Tuesday, September 10, 2013, 7pm

- Welcome and Introductions
  - There is not a president this year. Our last years president's youngest child is a Senior. Louise is looking for someone to show the ropes to. It is not a hard job. Michelle Felt is the treasurer and that is the hardest job.
  - PTSA is looking to grow their connection with the community.
- Treasurer's Report
  - PTSA has a pretty healthy balance going into this year. We have a \$21,000 balance.
  - Not much activity over the summer.
  - Last year our income was \$8300 and we budgeted \$8000.
  - Most line items were kept pretty much in line compared to last year.
  - Michelle Felt tried to be conservative on what our income might be.
  - We are budgeting to spend more than we bring in, but since we have a large balance it will be ok.
  - Mini-Grants is an area that can increase donations to teachers.
  - Louise Henderson motioned to approve it and Liesbeth Visscher second it.
- Principal's Report
  - School Site Council needs parents, teachers, and students to volunteer.
  - If you know anyone that is interested there will be a School Loop invite.
  - We had Back to School Night last week.
  - The Field House is not quite complete. We hope it will be completed before the first home game.
  - We are looking at an Equal Opportunities Program to see that ethnicity enrollment matches our AP enrollment.
  - We are getting ready for Common Core coming next year.
  - Our API went up 19 points.
  - All teachers and administrators got ipads throughout the district.
- Student Council's Report
  - Student council is swamped because of Homecoming.
  - Monday is Tacky-Tourist Day.
  - Tuesday is Cartoon Character Day.
  - Wednesday is Twin Day.

- Thursday is class color day.
- Friday is Blue and Gold Day with a Blue and Gold Rally.
- There have been class meetings to get the word out. Meetings averaged 60-80 students.
- Freshman Class just elected their representatives.
- Teacher's Report
  - Teachers wanted to say thank you for the breakfast and tissues.
  - There will be phone banking for Measure E which will be in the Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> general election. It is a renewing of the parcel tax that already exists. We are in need of people to make phone calls through phone banking.
  - The money goes into the classroom to benefit students.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Open House date
  - November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9am-1pm or 1pm-5pm.
  - We need an Open House Coordinator.
- Teacher Grants
  - We will look at all grants at the next meeting.
  - We are looking for a Grant Coordinator.
  - About one week before the meeting, grant applications are due and the coordinator will organize them.
  - Beth Antoni will be the grant coordinator and will send the information to Thomas Swidler. Thank you!
- Assembly and Project Ideas
  - There is always a time at meetings to bring up ideas so please direct parents to these meetings if they have an idea.
- Volunteer Coordinator
  - Liesbeth Visscher is our volunteer coordinator.
  - Next big event for volunteers is Open House on Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  - A President is needed. PTSA Meeting is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month alternating between morning and night. A secretary is also needed for the morning meetings. Susan Seran takes notes at the evening meetings.
  - November 12<sup>th</sup> is an evening meeting and will have a Principal Coffee at 6:30pm before the 7pm meeting.
- Grad Night
  - Louise Henderson is the coordinator for Grad Night.
  - Already planning for it. Fundraising is already taking place.
  - Please ask Louise if you have any questions.
- Next Meeting October 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 am.