

Grandview High School
PTCO General Meeting Minutes
For meeting held in Grandview Library
Tuesday, September 13th, 2005
7:00 pm

THIS MEETING COMMENCED AS A JOINT PTCO / GAIT MEETING FOR THE DURATION OF THE STUDENT LEADERSHIP REPORT AND PRINCIPALS REPORT BEFORE BREAKING INTO THE TWO INDIVIDUAL GROUPS.

Present: Harry Bull, Principal
Leon Lundie, Assistant Principal
Matt Gonzales, Administrative Intern
Carlyn Canady, Co-President
Monica Baham, Co-President
Alison House, 1st Vice President
Sharon Withrow, Past President
Maria McLellan, Co-Secretary
Mary Ann Neumann, Co-Treasurer
Gretchen McGoffin, Co-Treasurer
Cristina Barthle, Sunshine Committee
Yvaine Schulz, Parent
Tressa Livits, Parent
Barbara Rich, Parent

Student Leadership Report:

Two students attended the meeting and updated us on Homecoming. The theme of the dance will be Viva Las Vegas – it will be held on October 15th and will be \$15 per person to attend. The parade this year is expected to be bigger. The Bon Fire and BBQ will be held on Friday night. Plans are to decorate hallways on Monday right after school, on Tuesday – move big screen on baseball field for movie night, on Wednesday – volleyball, and on Thursday the Mr. Grandview competition. Friday will be the parade, which will start at Falcon Creek.

Principal's Report:

Dr. Bull commented on the renewed interest in the homecoming. The float competition will be hotly contested.

The student leadership at Grandview has raised approximately \$1000 for Hurricane Katrina / Red Cross relief. The POMS and KEY clubs have raised approximately \$3200. A total of \$4236 has been donated by the students to the Red Cross in support of Hurricane Relief. Dr. Bull also advised that two students have relocated to Grandview from Louisiana. Forty-seven in total have relocated to CCSD schools.

There are two openings on the Cherry Creek School District Board of Education. Bea Kirk is returning unopposed. Wendy DuBell is term limited, therefore Jennifer Churchfield as the only other candidate now becomes the board member elect. The District has saved \$50,000 because

both seats were unopposed. Jennifer will be at next General Meeting to speak on referendum issues C & D.

Harry passed out a Board Resolution of Support, which gives the boards comments and recommendations on C & D. A copy of this Resolution #164-05 will be filed with these minutes. Dr Bull encouraged people to read up on C & D – become informed on the issues. He also encouraged newcomers to the district to register to vote before the deadline.

Enrollment:

Dr. Bull discussed in depth the enrollment issues at Grandview. Last year we were 2620 projected enrollment. With school of choice you can choose to attend any school in CCSD before the deadline. Historically we have accepted choice enrollment and usually it had evened out. Last year was an anomaly. Money had to be returned to the district in the form of 82% of one teaching position, \$52,000 from decentralized budget and nearly \$3000 from technology, which represented a total of over \$97,000.

This year the projected number was 2635 – a growth of 10 students. As of today current enrolment is 2683. This number will decline through October count.

Harry said the school chose to admit 43 transfer students. At fall we chose to admit an additional 39 transfer students. In terms of transfers admitted 82 students from deadline of choice process to August. We would still be under projected enrollment without transfer students and would have lost money if this had of happened. Today we are 48 students over but it should settle in the next couple of months.

In regard to projections, the school district did not anticipate the density of Jordan Road and the multi family units involved. Projections include choice students. CTHS when they opened did not meet initial projection of enrolment. EHS is currently at projected enrolment.

Dr Freed asked what number is Grandview building designed for and what are the actual numbers attending - direct ratio. Questions were answered from several meeting attendees.

Class sizes -CTHS English 37/38 - GHS average is approx 27-28 (Max 33/34)

45 students in the GHS total attend CC Prep
42 students in the GHS total attend The Ranch

Cell phone and clothing etiquette was discussed.
The school was given a “bravo” on dean and councilor set up.

Dr. Bull introduced Matt Gonzales, an administrative intern serving approx 300 hrs at Grandview.

The meeting then separated into individual PTCO and GAIT meetings.

Welcome: Carlyn welcomed everyone to the PTCO meeting and mentioned how she had sent out email to everyone on the volunteer listing to remind them of this meeting. She would also do this for future meetings.

Minutes: Everyone reviewed the minutes from the general meeting on May 10th, 2005. Mary Ann Neumann requested that her name be added to those present at that meeting. Gretchen McGoffin motioned to approve the Minutes as amended and Monica Baham seconded the motion. The Minutes were approved.

Budget: Mary Ann read a thank you from Ann Williams, a GHS Math teacher who received a grant from PTCO last year.

The proposed budget was tabled for discussion. It was pointed out that the scholarships are still in place. A discussion will be held at a later date to decide what will happen to these.

Teacher grants have been increased. It was discussed how to encourage teachers to apply for grants. The Principal was encouraged to apply as well.

Harry suggested moving timing up for the grant applications – fewer conflicts. Later in the year Harry will have a better sense of what to do with remaining budget. Ask earlier and plant seed – still wait to give money.

Sharon moved to pass the budget as presented. Mary Ann seconded the motion. The budget was passed.

Registration:

It was reported that the registration process went smoothly for the most part. Thank you to Monica and Sharon for getting volunteers organized. A thank you to those who helped with the freshman dance and BBQ as well – they were very well attended.

Maria advised that thank you notes had been sent out to adult and student volunteers.

Back to School night:

Thank you to Sharon and Mary Ann for helping with the PTCO table. Sharon reported that there were only 5 E books remaining, which gave us a \$1500 profit on their sale.

Sharon reported that only seven people attended the directory proof reading – more help was needed to finalize the directory. She asked for more volunteers to help proof read. She also advised that over \$3000 worth of ads had been sold for the directories. Seven students had entered artwork. 1650 directories had been pre-sold.

It was suggested to consider raising price of directories next year. This would make it an across the board fundraiser and increase fund raising at check in.

Parent teacher conferences are scheduled for October 19th and 20th.

Homecoming/Pep Rally:

Carlyn reported on the PTCO involvement in the Parade and Pep Rally for Homecoming. She showed us the tattoos that had been ordered and asked for suggestions of other items to hand out along the parade route. Mardi Gras beads in the school colors were suggested. Everyone

thought this was a good idea. Carlyn encouraged all PTCO members to walk in the parade which starts at Falcon Creek – wear comfortable shoes!

Teacher of the Year:

The packets are ready to hand out for the nomination process. It was suggested that past winners names be included in this year's packet.

Fundraiser:

Monica reported on this year's Silent Auction Fundraiser and made our mouth's water with anticipation of the buffet menu for the event. It will be held on November 5th from 6 pm till 11 pm and will include a DJ or musical entertainment of some sort. The venue has been decided as the Franciscan Events Center. Tickets will be \$25 per person. The first planning meeting will be held on Thursday at 7pm in U310. All were encouraged to attend especially since the committee members will be treated to a complementary luncheon to sample the menu items.

The meeting was adjourned. The next PTCO General Meeting will be on Tuesday, October 11th, 2005 at 7:00 pm in the GHS Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria McLellan