

*Grandview High School*  
**PTCO General Meeting Minutes**  
For meeting held in Grandview Library  
**Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2005**  
**7 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:** Dr. Harry Bull, Principal  
Leon Lundie, Assistant Principal  
Carlyn Canady, Co-President  
Monica Baham, Co-President  
Sharon Withrow, Past President  
Mary Ann Neumann, Co-Treasurer  
Gretchen McGoffin, Co-Treasurer  
Maria McLellan, Co-Secretary  
Michelle Wallace, Co-Secretary  
Susanna Joo, Parent  
Gisele Freed, Parent  
Garry Brewer, Parent

Monica Baham called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone and asked everyone to introduce themselves to the group.

**Student Leadership:** There were no representatives of Student Leadership present at the meeting.

**Principal's Report:**

Dr. Bull mentioned about the tragedy at a Tennessee High School today – several people were killed including members of administration in Jacksboro.

He also reported that:

- . Spirit squads, both Cheers and Poms, were this evening for league championships.
- . Girls Volleyball is going into state tournament as the No. 1 seed.
- . The Football team after losing to CCHS on Friday will play on Saturday at 1pm against Montbello.
- . Westside Story, the school's musical will run from Wednesday through Saturday, 7pm. The kids have been working really hard – he encouraged everyone to go and see it.
- . A Big thank you to everyone who had anything to do with PTCO fundraiser. It went really well.
- . November 30<sup>th</sup> is the PLAN test for sophomores – the school day will be run around the sophomores – pre ACT test (PLAN).
- . Middle schools have agreed to give EXPLORE test – baby PLAN test. This gives good connectability between tests.
- . Count Numbers – Dr. Bull acknowledged the efforts of Assistant Principal Bruce Jensen in the count procedure. Right now enrolment is at 2714, which includes 45 PREP. There are 2669 without PREP. Projection was 2635 – a difference of 35 students – eight and a half students per grade level. This allows us to keep our funding. The district sets projections through the planning office – it takes into consideration a variety of issues including projected growth, feeder areas, the

number of students to a specific address area, and new housing development. The projection for this year was a good guess for GHS – a little over is better because that way we do not have to give back resources. Next year's numbers won't be known until late January early February.

. School of Choice date is now due January 15<sup>th</sup> – a month earlier.

. He thanked everyone for their support in moving Parent Teacher conferences up a week earlier. Teachers liked having the opportunity to advise parents on what their kids need to catch up on. Approximately 2734 attended on Wednesday, and 2228 on Thursday.

. PSAT - 640 students tested – previously about 320 – this has doubled since last year. He thinks this is because better information is being given out about the test and counseling is much more aligned to encourage kids to come and take test.

### **WTP and DI:**

Maria reported that Grandview High School is the first in CCSD to supply a team to compete at the High School Level of the We the People – Mock Congressional Hearings. They will first compete at a Regional Level in the Congressional District 6 and then if they win will move onto state in December. She also gave an update on the Cherry Creek Region of Destination Imagination and asked parents, administrators and teachers to encourage students to become involved in this Creative Problem Solving challenge.

The meeting then separated into individual PTCO and GAIT meetings.

### **Minutes:**

All reviewed the minutes from the General Meeting held on September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2005. A change was made to Dr. Bull's comments from that meeting. Following the correction, Carlyn motioned to approve the Minutes and Sharon seconded the motion. The Minutes were approved.

Maria tabled revised copies of the By-Laws for everyone to view. She thanked both Berthe Ruoff and Garry Brewer for their major contribution to the preparation of the revision in the previous year. The main focus of the revision is to implement a name change from GECO to PTCO.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

A "guesstimate" was given that over \$16,000 was raised from the Auction Fundraiser. In addition to this \$2000 in donations had also been received. Mary Ann presented the treasurers report. It is hoped that the PTCO will be able to give \$10,000 in grants.

Carlyn moved that the Treasurer's report be approved as presented. Michelle seconded the motion. The Treasurer's report was approved.

### **Directories:**

Sharon reported on the directories and planners. There are plenty of planners for the rest of the year. Next years planners have been ordered.

### **Homecoming:**

It was reported that each group from the school will do the same thing for example, PTCO will have mardi gras beads and tattoos to hand out at homecoming. There will be changes in the schedule for next year's homecoming.

### **Parent Teacher Conferences:**

It was reported that everything went well for the conferences.

**Poinsettia sales:**

The orders for poinsettia's are coming in – not everyone has received the Grandview Gazette which included the order form.

**Teacher of the Year:**

Monica picked up the box with the nomination forms. There will be a meeting on Thursday at 7pm in U310. Volunteers are needed to help sort through the nominations and decide upon the winners.

**Fundraiser Auction – Nov 5<sup>th</sup> Franciscan Event Center:**

WOW – congratulations and thanks were offered to the organizing committee. These ladies came out of this function with a good feeling – everything was very supportive and friendly. There will be a thank you signing party on Nov 21<sup>st</sup> Monday - wine and cheese at Carlyn's. Kudos were given to the staff for the wonderful baskets they donated for the auction.

**Staff Appreciation: Teacher Conferences – Christmas**

The staff appreciation committee needs more money to cover costs.

**Parents' Council:**

Everyone was reminded about the Exceptional Volunteer of the Year Award, which recognizes one volunteer from each school – nominations are needed.

**Legislative Network:**

Breakfast with our Legislators will be held on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, at 7 am at SARC.

**PIN:**

Susanna Joo is our school's PIN representative and she reported on the Parent Information Network and it's monthly meetings. She will do her best to attend our General Meeting each month. She reported that PIN provides an article to appear in school newsletters on a regular basis. The PTCO should put PIN rep on agenda for meetings – can bulletin board space be provided as well? Could we spend money on a bulletin board for PTCO/PIN etc. Maria and Michelle will look into bulletin board. Darla Daykin – PIN BOARD MEMBER is the mentor for Grandview.

**Executive Board positions:**

There are still board positions open which need to be filled. It was suggested that everyone approach people they think might be interested and encourage them to attend a meeting.

The meeting was adjourned. The next PTCO General Meeting will be on Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at 7:00 pm in the GHS Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria McLellan