

**Fairfax High School**  
**PTSA Meeting Minutes**  
**February 22, 2010**

**Attendees:**

Laura Allsopp, Shelly Bechert, Mark Campbell, Edith Cordova, Lynne Fernandes, Inge Gedo, Dave Goldfarb, Tammy Harper, Clai Jorgensen, Susan Kuck, , Lisa MacCammon, Katie MacCammon, Laurie Ross, Pam Snyder, Joan Szabo, Clare Talbert, Anthony Terrell, Michelle Vogel, Janice Wyatt

**Student Representative: Katie MacCammon**

- Gater Bowl- Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> - cost goes towards equipment
- Mar. 16<sup>th</sup> Student Faculty Basketball Game- ANG Fundraiser
- Mr. Fairfax- May 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:30
- Powder Puff – May 15<sup>th</sup>
- Winter Dance was canceled- will have a Spring Fling if they can find a space
- Quitch Match (based on game from Harry Potter)
- Tailgate- before a double header soccer game

**New Assistant Principal for Senior Class- Anthony Terrell**

(He was a lead intern at Fairfax a couple of years ago.)

Thanks for the opportunity to come back. He is coming to us from Cluster 1. It is an exciting time for seniors!! There are 2 upcoming parent meetings- one in March (sponsored by the guidance dept.) concerning how to deal with second semester seniors and in May about the nuts and bolts of graduation. Fairfax is a great place!!

**Parent Advisory Council: Inge Gedo**

The January meeting focused on Communication and Community Outreach: ways that communication gets out to parents. (Several handouts were passed out.) If there is a topic or question that you would like to have brought up at the Parent Advisory Meeting, please give to Inge. Meetings take place every other month. The next meeting will be later in March in the morning during the week. They are held at different schools in the Cluster.

**Principal's Report: Dave Goldfarb**

- This is the 1<sup>st</sup> full week in 6 weeks.
- Thanks to everyone who helped us dig out! The melting is beginning.
- The agenda for the next School Board meeting is looking at the options for making up time. It looks like it will be adding time to the end of the day. We are entering into testing season. It seems best to add time before SOLs. There have been changes to R&R and Pride Time. We have to make the best of what is decided.
- Will begin interviewing for Student Services in March, hope that person will be on board after Spring Break. The timing is good to be ready to begin working on the Master schedule.
- Curriculum Night was wonderful! There was a good turnout (200-250 parents). The counseling staff put on an exceptional program.
- Spring sports started today- all without going outside! Huge successes in winter sports! Swimming, track, 3 made all state chorus- great success!

- Are there any future topics that the PTSA would like to be brought up at a meeting?
- A concern was brought up about the voluntary Matchmaking survey that was sponsored by student government.

**President's Report: Clai Jorgensen**

- Janice Miller asked if PTSA is interested in hosting a meeting about City School Budget? Clai will ask about the next meeting as a possibility. An overview is available on Channel 12.
- Volunteers are needed to proctor the French exam on March 17<sup>th</sup>- all periods
- Latin exam- March 12<sup>th</sup> needs 6 people to proctor from 7:15-8:40
- Special Ed classes need kitchen supplies. They are doing cooking projects for the community (like the hypothermia project). A list of items to be purchased and donated was passed around. (Gently used items would probably be accepted.)
- Maureen Kim- Military Service Academy/ROTC Tues 2/23 at Madison HS, Sophomore Parent/Student- Preparing for College Night is Thurs. Mar. 11<sup>th</sup>, there are 2 new scholarships available for Fairfax Students and she needs 3 speakers- architect, photographer, graphic designer for April 15<sup>th</sup> Career Day
- Karen Bryan is collecting gift cards/certificates for Teacher appreciation.
- March 16<sup>th</sup>- Rebel Round Up
- Friday- chaperones needed to go to an art museum with 70 students from 9:30-2:05
- Tomorrow night- meeting at Gatehouse- topics 2011 budget & snow day make up options

**Secretary: Clare Talbert**

- January Minutes: Change date of Gater Ball to Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Minutes were approved with change

**Treasurer: Susan Kuck**

- Balance is \$8002.71
- Transactions last month- National/State Dues- Checks got lost in the mail. New checks are on the way.
- PTSA membership is 481 (this includes 50 teachers)
- Girls State- paid for 3 girls- Counselor thanked the PTSA for the funding!

**Academic Boosters: Shelly Bechert and Susan Kuck**

- Rebels on the Rise Breakfast (students who have shown improvement and who are nominated by a teacher)- 65 students have been invited (Panera- Fairfax City is donating bagels, eggs are being donated as well) Thank you for the donations!
- Academic lettering- 3.5GPA= 600 students, 3.75 GPA = 389 students, 3.8 GPA ( ), 4.0 GPA = 200 students
- Speaker for sophomore college night is going to be paid for from the Academic Boosters.

**Newsletter: Laurie Ross**

- Next newsletter is scheduled to be due before Spring Break. Laurie will change the due date until after Spring Break.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.