



Beckman High School
3588 Bryan Avenue, Irvine, CA 92602
Beckman PTO Meeting, March 14, 2018
Beckman Collab Lab (Rm 115J)

Board Members in Attendance: Camille Gershenovitz, Jane Wong, Mary Hajali, Katie Weissberg, Ron Semon, Sandy HuebnerChan, Margaret Choe, Pam Daniel, May Moraly.

Board Members Absent: Juna Chiang, Jeannie Yu, Nancy Aynehchi.

Others in Attendance: Helen Song, Sahar Toukmaji, Kellie Bae, Misung Heo, Annie Xie.

Call to order: by Camille Gershenovitz and Jane Wong PTO CO President at 6:36 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve February Minutes by Katie Weissberg seconded by Sandy HuebnerChan & passed.

Welcome: Camille Gershenovitz/ Jane Wong

Financial Review: Katie Weissberg

- Invoice from Creative Stream for \$1543 for completion of projector project. Project has been completed per Dr. Rafter, payment will be sent.
- Classroom Grant Requests \$7500 budgeted, Mary will go see Mr. Beilin and get his receipts.
- SAT review money, none received to date. Mary will check on this.
- Brenda Eley in Library has spent her budget of \$7000 and is using some of her perm funds for purchases the rest of the year. Sent her an e-mail with her budget details to date.

Macy's Promotion Update: Girls from ASB are working with Ken Marchel.

Administrator's Report: Dr.Donnie Rafter

- National School Walk Update:

there were two separate events that were entirely student organized and our teachers, Irvine Police and administrative team simply worked with the groups to ensure student safety and minimal class disruptions.

Now that the school day is over, I am pleased to let you know that our student body did an amazing job respecting one another's viewpoints and demonstrating in an appropriate and SAFE manner,

Roughly 500 - 600 students participated in a well-organized walk out that took place during the 10:00 – 10:17 timeframe and ended promptly when the bell rang at 10:20.

Another group of roughly 30 students organized a smaller event at 11:00 that also remained SAFE. Our administrative team, campus supervisors and IPD were in constant attendance during each event to ensure student safety. There are no instances of fighting or arguing to report and our students are SAFE.

- Teachers seminar on Helping Students with Anxiety and Depression in the Classroom: A fund was covered to send 10 teachers to attend this seminar.

- March 15, Beckman is hosting a speaker who went to Harvard university and had some difficulties to talk about her experience and give advice to the seniors, it's an optional assembly to attend, our counselors will be at the event.

- An update about the survey sent to all the parents 3 weeks ago: Some teachers had the conversation with kids and it was productive.

- Last year we had Taylor Derben as a speaker, he talked about hope and was a success speech to the students and their parents, looking to have him again around August 26.

- A suggestion to read a book from amazon (overloaded and under prepared) reduce stress and improve academic success, proceeds from the book will directly benefit program Challenge Success.

- This year AP test sales 2800 sold.

- Trying to engage interest writing classes, honors, or ERWC for Cal State acceptance that was pushed by the district.

we will add Business class, teaching class and dance class.

Audit Report: Pam Danile

Only two checks request that we need to verify.

Nominating Committee Report: Mary Hajali

The Slate was presented today, will be posted on our website for 30 days and next meeting we vote.

Co-Presidents: Katie Weissberg & Jane Wong
V.P. Fundraising: Jaya Ginson
V.P. Membership: Renee Stein & Kim Okamura
V.P. Volunteer Coordinator: Sandy HuebnerChan & May Moraly
Treasurer : Pam Daniel
Financial Secretary: Kathy Ghanouni
Auditor: Alene Lee
Secretary: Amy Josten
Parliamentarian: Margaret Choe

Volunteer Report: Sandy HuebnerChan

Need Volunteers for Blood Drive next Wednesday.

A suggestion to recognize around 50 volunteers that helped through out this year by inviting them to corner bakery or include them in our PTO end of the year gathering. May to ask if we can rent the club house at orchard hills appartement on May 2.

Old Business:

- TRTS Driving School Report: Jane Wong
Didn't receive anything so far, will wait for a couple of months.
We should promote it by e-mail and put an add at the PTO corner in the newsletter.
- Tracey Carson Education Related Mental Health Specialist: will be here next month in order to be more helpful to our students and more available.
- Erin Charles- 9th grade counselor
No more need to fund her, she have planed something else.

15 or 20 students attended the western youth event and it was a small turn out that went well.

- Multi Cultural Event Update:
Received a list for the clubs in order to have the event planned next year.

New Business:

screenagersmovie.com

This is an award winning film that probes into the vulnerable corners of family life and depicts messy struggles over social media, video games and academics. The film offers solutions on how we can help our kids navigate the digital world.

SCREENAGERS - Growing Up in the Digital Age

Date: Monday, May 14, 2018

Time: 6:30pm-8pm

Location: Beckman Performing Arts Center

Adjourn: 7:53 pm

Next meeting: April 18, 2018