

Enloe High School PTSA Meeting January 9, 2007

Attending: (See last page of minutes.)
Location: Enloe Media Center

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by our President, Julie Phipps.

Freshman Seminar: Ray Samuels, Rebecca Clark

The seminar is a part of the School Improvement Plan and is required for all freshmen. Currently in its developing phase, the seminar serves as a model for other schools. It is necessary for incoming freshmen at Enloe to take the Freshman Seminar for the following reasons:

- Helps to prepare students for a new graduation requirement mandated by the State for class of 2010. The requirement is a graduation project which consists of completing research that will result in a paper, product, portfolio and presentation;
- Guides and helps the freshmen transition from middle school to a larger school with different classes and electives;
- Helps in student growth and enabling students to be advocates for themselves. The Freshman Seminar identifies and focuses on student needs in order to put in place needed interventions early.

Plans are in progress for continued follow-through with students through their senior year, which includes meetings with teachers, mentors, advisors, and presentations by students to community members. A suggestion from PTSA was to get information to all freshmen parents about the seminar and graduation requirement via the newsletter or email. This will raise the level of awareness for parents.

Treasurer's Report: Keila Keadle

In the absence of Tina Funke, who was driving son, Kyle, to college following successful surgery, Keila distributed attached treasurer's report. Few changes. We are still ahead on membership dues by 20% and have a balance in the checking account of about \$19K and under \$10K in the savings account. Still discussion about when we pay for activity bus. Monies are being held aside for payment. (See previous minutes for more details).

Scholarship Committee: Karen Reimer

PTSA scholarship applications were distributed at the meeting. Scholarship this year has been increased to \$1K and is awarded based on character, not GPA. Senior students must be PTSA members by January 19th in order to apply. Applications are due by April 10th and are available at Student Services and should be returned there upon completion. Students are encouraged to follow application directions. PTSA members interested in reviewing and evaluating applications should sign-up with Karen; selection process should take one evening in April.

Committee Reports:

- **Hospitality** - Amy Jones reported that the date for the Teacher Appreciation luncheon is to be determined, possibly in March before Spring Break. Event will take place in the Media Center. Parents will be asked to donate desserts, drinks and salads which will complement the planned meal from Neomonde restaurant. Help is also needed with door prizes. Emily Sprague and Erin Cohen reported that the Holiday Tea was a huge success, exceeding expectations with more than 100 volunteers helping. Many thank you notes already received.
- **Eagle Pride** – Julie commented that in November an Eagle Pride program was held with juniors in the auditorium. This program will likely be repeated next year. For this year, either at the end of January or in early February, another event, "Traffic Stop", will be

held in conjunction with the Raleigh Police Dept. Prizes will be issues for this event. A book about drunk driving which includes personal experiences from drivers will be provided to health and physical education teachers from the \$4K budget for Student Enrichment.

- **Teacher Grants** – Natalie Hampton passed around a note of thanks for the television set purchased for the cinema classes from the first-round of grants. A second round of applications and funding is planned for second semester. Applications are due February 15th.
- **Nominating** – Julie asked for volunteers to form a slate for next year's officers. In some instances, officers serve for two years, but we need about 5 volunteers to serve on the Nominating Committee to present names of individuals interesting in serving on the PTSA board. Please see Julie if interested.

Principal's Report – Beth Cochran:

- Next week (January 16-19) students will take exams. Question was raised about the fire alarms which were going off recently. Hopefully construction can be suspended during exams, since alarms in large part were due to the construction going on around campus.
- Magnet Open House planned for January 30th.
- Registration process for classes is being discussed along with a possible "Registration Fair" for students. Details will be put on the school website.
- Re-emphasis on cell phones: Cell phones should NOT be on during the school day. If seen or used in school, cell phones will be confiscated. Students may use school phones in the attendance office during the day if emergencies arise. Also, reminder that hats should not be worn in school.
- Although some work is still being done on the new building, there is much excitement among students and teachers about it. Internet access is not available yet.

Dates to Remember:

- Next meeting – Tuesday, February 13th at 7 PM in the Media Center.
- Magnet Open House – January 30th from 7-8:45 PM.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by President Julie Phipps at 7:40 PM in order for members to take a tour led by Dr. Cochran of the new building occupied in January.

Respectfully submitted,

LaVerne R. Weldon
Recording Secretary

Attendees for Enloe PTSA Meeting – January 9th , 2007:

Board Members & Student Reps: Peggy Abrams, Sally Alcorn, Beth Cochran, Erin Cohen, Gwen Cox, Kathy Forrest, Joe Gates, Linda Gunn-Jones, Natalie Hampton, Don Hornstein, Laurie Jaegers, Amy Jones, Ruthie Jones, Keila Keadle, Adrienne Lumpkin, Amelia Lumpkin, Madhur Mathur, Corny Motsinger, Julie Phipps, Karen Reimer, Rob Schofield, Emily Sprague, Laura Tompkins, Brandon Young, Pam Young, LaVerne Weldon.

General Membership: Carolyn Bruce, Claudia Czap, Jeff Jones, Prashant Pandyn, Laurie Price, Kelli Walker-Jones, Helen Williams, Alice Zuber.