

CARSON HIGH SCHOOL PTA

Meeting Minutes Monday, October 8th, 2018

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Leticia Servin, President of the CHS PTA, called the meeting to order at **5:32 PM** in the CHS Library.
2. **ROLL CALL & WELCOME – Members in attendance:** Leticia Servin, Tasha Fuson, Jerry Garrett, Wendy Tims, Sharon Hallinan, Eduardo Hernandez, Pilar Meza, LeAnn Morris, Amelia Mena, Plaria Yañez Aravjo and Scot Duncan.
3. **MINUTES & CORRESPONDENCE** – Minutes from the meeting on Wednesday, September 5th, 2018 were presented. *Tasha moved to approve the minutes as presented, and the motion passed.*
4. **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - a. **Treasurer’s Report** – Wendy presented the August 2018 and September 2018 Treasurer’s Reports. In August 2018, the beginning balance was \$9,314.17 and the ending balance was \$9,449.44. In September 2018, the beginning balance was \$9,449.44 and the ending balance was \$10,456.72. *Tasha moved to approve the Treasurer’s Reports for August 2018 and September 2018 as presented, and the motion passed.* Additionally, Wendy presented the Proposed Budget for 2018 – 2019. *Tasha moved to approve the Proposed Budget for 2018 – 2019 as presented, and the motion passed.* Wendy mentioned that that we have filed our tax return and we will be paying our insurance premiums soon.
 - b. **Membership Report** – Jerry submitted the Oct 2018 Membership Report. We currently have 181 members, which is believed to be the most we have ever had. Notable is the large number of students (114). All members have received their membership cards.
 - c. **Principal’s Report** – Tasha spoke about the new College and Career Ready Diploma, which was mentioned at the grade-level parent meetings held the past two weeks and is about ready to be launched. The new diploma was mandated by changes from the most recent legislative session and announced by the state Department of Education last school year. It was not ready in time to be implemented last year, but will be available for the 2019 graduating class. Eventually, the Honors diploma will be phased out. Also, the school is pursuing the introduction of a college-based “latin honors” system of cum laude / magna cum laude / summa cum laude to recognize academic achievement, instead of the current valedictorian / salutatorian system. The goal is to provide recognition for a larger group of students instead of just two students.
5. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - a. **Craft Fair & Safe Grad** – The Craft Fair will be held on Friday, November 16th, 2018 and Saturday, November 17th, 2018. Members can earn a donation for the PTA by volunteering hours at the event and designating PTA when signing in. Safe Grad is seeking volunteers, as well.

- b. **Treasurer** – It was noted that the PTA still is seeking a new Treasurer.
 - c. **Reflections Art Contest** – We plan to hold our annual Reflections Art Contest in November, so we will need members to serve as judges at our December meeting.
6. **NEW BUSINESS**
- a. **Guest Speaker: CHS Dean Sharon Hallinan** – Sharon introduced the PTA to a variety of resources available to parents and students, including a Parent Handbook and the school policies. She also spoke about the new SafeVoice program to allow all school stakeholders to report concerns confidentially. There is a new Emergency Information Guide for Parents that provides information about the procedures in place for emergencies at or near the school. The final resource shared was the School Progressive Discipline Plan 2018-2019, which is updated every year.
7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- a. **Next Meeting** – Monday, November 19th, 2018
8. **ADJOURNMENT** – Leticia adjourned the meeting at **6:30 PM**.

Submitted by Scot Duncan, Secretary, CHS PTA