

CHS PTSA

Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2016

1. **Call to order** – John Everhart, 5:34 p.m., CHS Library

Members in attendance: Wendy Tims, Erin Been, John Morrison, Scot Duncan, Phaedra Kalicki, Kyra Hinton, Jerry Garrett, Tasha Fuson, John Everhart, LeAnn Saarem arrived at 6 p.m.

2. **Minutes & Correspondence** – May and Sept. Minutes were presented. John moved to approve both, Mrs. Fuson seconded, and the motion passed.
3. **Treasurer's Report** – Updates to the Proposed PTSA Budget 2016-17 were presented. Mrs. Fuson moved to approve, John seconded, and the motion was passed. The September treasurer's report was tabled and will be presented at the November PTSA meeting. However, there was an update to the August treasurer's report of a deposit from Savemart eScrip. New ending balance for August was \$8806.14. John moved to approve update, Mrs. Fuson seconded, and the motion passed.
4. **Membership Report** – LeAnn Saarem reported we have 89 current members! Jerry Garrett and Phaedra Kalicki offered to help LeAnn with the upkeep of the membership database. LeAnn and Wendy will work on setting up a new CHS PTSA email account.
5. **Guest Speaker** – Erin Been presented her CHS group "College Connections" to help students navigate their senior year (juniors are also welcome). She helps them understand the college and scholarship application processes. They meet after school on Wednesdays.
6. **Principal's Report** – Tasha Fuson reported that there has been low daily attendance at CHS, 94%. They have new attendance dean and new rules/procedures for dealing with absences; some new policies are from the State level. Also, the Infinite Campus has had a difficult turnover, but they hope to get it all cleaned up by December.
7. **Unfinished Business**
 - a. CHS Inspirational Mural – Bridget Gordon-Johnson and senior Haylee Krupp (senior project) will work together to organize this mural. Amy Freismidl will also be part of the project. This ties into her Social and Emotional Support and the Week of Respect we are having at CHS.
 - b. Our Amazon Smile group link is "PTA Nevada Congress Carson High School" - LeAnn will work with Kim Arnold to advertise on carsonhigh.com

Kyra Hinton offered to revive our PTSA Facebook page and keep it updated. LeAnn will get her the information to contact the past Facebook page coordinator, Lesley Henrie.

- c. Phaedra Kalicki offered to help with Reflections (theme: “What Is Your Story?”). Erin Been offered to help with the College Interview Panel (Karen Salm will also help again this year). This event is tentatively scheduled for Jan. 11.
- d. The new Teacher Grant project was discussed. We need to draft specific guidelines and application process, so it is clear for CHS teachers. It was agreed that Mrs. Fuson and the M Team at CHS would take part in the selection of the recipients. Mrs. Fuson will be able to review if the grant request could be funded by other means. It was proposed to have grants up to \$100, maybe 4 or 5 per semester. Scot Duncan has past experience and will help to draft the documents along with Kyra Hinton who also volunteered.
- e. Craft Fair needs volunteers Nov. 18 & 19. If you sign up to volunteer for PTSA, we will earn fundraising money. If a parent and senior student volunteer, they are eligible to apply for a Craft Fair scholarship.
- f. LeAnn will attend the CHS Staff meeting to promote PTSA on Nov. 8th. We should have the teacher grant application process completed for presentation.

8. New Business

- a. CCSD Strategic Plan Re-fresh – LeAnn Saarem, meetings Oct. 20 and Nov. 17, 6-7:30 p.m., CMS Cafeteria. Kyra Hinton asked to be added to our email contacts.

9. Announcements

- a. Next PTSA meeting- November 14, 5:30 p.m. in the CHS Library
- b. ASVAB: Wednesday, October 19, sign up in the counseling office
- c. College Fair, Sunday, Nov. 6, noon - 4 p.m. at Joe Crowley Student Union UNR
- d. Craft Fair – Nov. 18 & 19 at CHS
- e. Bylaws update due April 2017

10. Adjourn: 7:11 p.m.

Submitted by: LeAnn Saarem, November 14, 2016