

**ELK GROVE HIGH SCHOOL
PARENT TEACHER COUNCIL
Minutes – Regular Business Meeting
October 8, 2008**

DATE AND PLACE

The regular meeting of the PTC of Elk Grove High School was held in the Faculty Lounge of Elk Grove High School on Thursday, October 8, 2008.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Heller at 7:05 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

The roll call indicated that the members present were: Rick Heller, Grace LoBianco, Beth Kaim, Susan Schneider, Renee Kane, Dr. Nancy Holman, Connie Groat, Anne Ryan, Alma Read, Geri Kelly, Sheryl Ritondale, Sue Farmer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES The minutes of the September 17, 2008 were approved as corrected.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Renee Kane presented the profit & loss report.
Bank Balance as of October 8, 2008 is \$17,696.73.

The report was filed for audit.

GUEST SPEAKER

Kate Hutter from Alexian Brothers Medical Center gave a presentation on **School Based Mental Health Intervention**. She is present at EGHS and Hersey H.S. four days a week sponsored by a grant program. She is working as a liaison between mental health and school for the universal prevention of mental health.

It was suggested that the PTC sponsor an evening program for parents that will help educate them about mental health issues of students. The grant program allows Ms. Hutter to do different things for the partnership with the schools.

Dr. Holman addressed the **four main topics** of interest for parents:

1. Dealing with the internet, Facebook, My Space
2. Setting limits for our kids (parents working together)
3. Dealing with stress, pressures, high expectations
4. Giving parents the “big picture” on the four-year plan for the students

Rick Heller will publish an educational series for the parents on different topics.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dr. Holman is working on **parent/teacher conferences**. The invitation to parents to attend the conferences were mailed first-class postage. Some parents started receiving on October 7.

There were some concerns about the **post-homecoming t-shirts** that are being made and distributed without EGHS approval. She asked for the parents help to not allow our students to purchase inappropriate t-shirts and most of all not allow the students to wear them to school.

We are continuing to update and expand the web site. It was requested that the daily announcements that are made at school be posted regularly to the web site. Dr. Holman is working on this with her staff and the web master.

Dr. Holman would like to send emails to all registered email addresses to promote participation in PTC events.

Dr. Holman is still working on acquiring a teacher representative to the PTC.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Bylaws

The revision to the bylaws was reviewed, changes will be made, and the new bylaws will be voted on at the November meeting.

Craft Fair

Chairman Connie Groat reported that they have 199 paid crafters and vendors to date. We have space for 208.

Dr. Holman approved using the main hallway, foyer, annex next to theater, and fine arts hallway as additional spaces for crafter/vendors.

Sue Liston is handling the publicity for the craft fair. She has listed advertisements in many city and local newspapers. Sheryl Ritondale is handling the signage for the fair. Renee Kane has the food/concession under control.

Hospitality

The PTC will provide dinner for the staff on the night of parent/teacher conferences. There will be 150 staff for dinner. Geri Kelly will work on organizing the dinner.

Post Prom

Sue Liston and Nancy Harkins are contacts for the Post Prom Committee. Post Prom needs to fall under the bylaws of the PTC for support and validity. Post Prom has their own bank accounts, accounting, etc. They raise their funds through the admissions at the craft fair (½ of the door), donations, and other fund raisers that they organize and run.

Ways and Means

Fall play **snack sales** went well. Ideas were discussed on what to have available for sale, and when to have the snack sale table open. Future snack sales will be held during intermission at the Variety Show on November 6, 7, 8; December play on December 11, 12, 13; and the January play on January 29, 30, 31. We need volunteers to help sell refreshments at all of these events.

OLD BUSINESS

Parent/teacher **conference call-in volunteers** were still needed for helping parents schedule their conferences. Sign up will be in Room 105 in the computer lab.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 12, at 7:00 p.m. in the staff lounge.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan E. Schneider, Secretary