

RIVER HILL HIGH SCHOOL PTSA
Executive Board Meeting
March 13, 2007

Call to Order: 7:30pm

Attendees: Mr. Ryan, Lorraine Seelaus, Sheila Bishoff, Bobbie Leon, Denise Lancaster, Karen Chase, Venu Iyengar, Valerie Gunter, Regina Thyberg, Jennifer Hill, Elaine Trogdon Martz

Recording Secretary: No meeting in February. January Minutes approved as written. .

President:

Homewood School Initiative needs to be finalized. We need someone to coordinate and verify if we will be doing something during Staff Appreciation week or at another time. Homewood has a staff of 100, including part timers.

Nominating Committee formed. The three members are Sheila Bishoff, Valerie Gunter and Elaine Trogdon Martz.

RHHS PTSA Scholarship applications in Guidance.

P3 going well. Fundraising continues to be a challenge but exploring new opportunities (including a Liberty Mutual donation).

General Meeting slated for May 14th.

Next Board Meeting April 16th.

Principal:

“Senioritis” & Senior Activities high on the staff agenda. Graduation Fri., 5/25.

Great Blue Ribbon celebration last night at the State House. Nancy Grasmick will be here on Monday (3/19) for ceremony. There will be a pizza party in the afternoon.

Great things going on at school “Music Man”, basketball, etc.

RH Art Dept is establishing a sister-school relationship with a school in China.

Staffing: 4.6 above allocated staffing, RH got full staffing. Staff is dropping in Science but increasing in Music. Also, RHHS has lowest teacher request for transfers in the County.

Music technology lab looks like it will happen. Mr. Ryan continues to jump through hoops: right now following up on balance of funding for 25 computers.

Student Government “General Assembly” format to continue and be more active in school. Also look to have it become more involved with State and local government.

Treasurer: Report (attached) accepted as submitted.

Delegates:

School System’s Sexual Harassment process discussed at last meeting. Fingerprinting and background checks are part of the hiring process.

Patricia Gordon discussed the new School Board and issues discussed over the last few months. The 7th Board Member was sworn in last week.

HCPTAC has scholarships available. PTAC is also looking for people to review scholarships. Contact Delegates or PTAC if interested.

PTAC is set to begin the Backpack campaign again and is starting to look for school supplies to fill them.

Upcoming features on Cable 72 include programs on harassment, database overview, etc. Check listings.

Committee Reports:

Membership: RHHS PTSA grew by 20% this year!

Boosters: Sports Physicals will be held on June 6th.
Boosters needs a new President for next year!

Parent Programs:

Had well over 100 people attend study skills night. Ms. Martin was amazing! We hope to do it again in September.

Smaller crowd came out for Nutrition night but it was very interesting.

A Driving Event will be held in April.

SAT Prep: attendance seems to be about the same as last year.
Jennifer Hill will be assisting on this committee next year.

SIT: Incredible program planned for Blue Ribbon ceremony. Starts at 9:30am

Meeting Adjourned: 8:50pm

Next Meeting: Monday, April 16, 2007, 7:00pm – Media Center

Submitted By: Karen Chase