

City Honors PTSCO

April 27, 2006

Meeting was called to order at 6:40 pm

Minutes of last meeting: reviewed and approved.

Sophomore West Richter attended to request funds to attend an Oberlin College music workshop this summer. Also requests funds for Band to operate summer band camps to prepare for next year. \$200 was approved.

Treasury Report: Peter Cammarata

Report distributed covers March 17 – April 26, 2006. Beginning balance is \$1432.41 and ending balance is \$9941.55. Actual amount available for disbursement is \$7945.23.

We had a very successful Auction, bringing in about \$5300 in ticket sales, \$903 for Ipod raffle, and \$600 for Gourmet Dinner tickets.

Finance Committee: Ralph Proulx

Because of Auction proceeds, we have put aside: \$500 for Welcome Back Picnic; \$500 for Senior awards; \$500 for postage; \$1200 for faculty luncheon; \$450 for 2 newsletters; \$1000 for Prom prizes; \$325 for MUD. We also funded four other items: \$200 Band; \$150 Varsity Baseball; \$50 Girls Basketball banquet; \$78.25 for Volleyball school plaques. There is \$1578.90 available.

Membership is about the same as last year.

Site Based Management Team: Debbie Keresztes

On May 31st there will be a Parent/Teacher social in the Library, 3 pm til ?

District Parent Coordinating Council: Ann Marie Jurado

The Buffalo Public Schools budget has a \$20,000,000 deficit. There will be a full time Nurse in each school next year. Annual budget hearing upcoming. Initiatives by Dr. Williams: AP courses at all high schools; Math & Science school will be in old Seneca Vocational. Commencement academies to finish up after one year. Schools for remediation and extended day are also initiatives.

Teacher Appreciation Luncheon will take place on Wed, May 17 with catering by Gramma Mora's. (early release day)

After Prom Party: Barb Finn

June 16th. Mailings to go out. Need donations from parents. Karaoke, movies, hypnotist, etc. as entertainment.

School Business: Dr. William Kresse

For seniors after their May exams, an internship program was approved, if their teachers agree. Committee is set up to help them find internship, and applications and guidelines have been created in an internship packet. Teachers will monitor their participation in program.

Buffalo project: Second batch of plaqued posters will go up in Cafeteria.

Foundation Board approved installation of a sound system for Cafeteria. Dr. Kresse is working out details on companies, etc.

Curriculum changes: In working with the Social Studies teachers, it was decided to change the 10th grade offering. Currently they are split between AP European History and Pre IB History. For Fall 2007, they will take AP World History to be spread over 2 years. They are working towards teacher training and textbooks for the course.

SAT: Princeton Review may offer course again at CHS this summer, maybe during the first 2 weeks of Aug. Info to be posted on website as known. Next Friday there will be a press conference to congratulate Chandra Roberson or receiving a full scholarship to Southern Illinois University for volleyball!

Staffing discussions will be held this summer. Hard to say what cuts may be made due to budget deficits.

MUD: Andrea Szalanski

Mailings have gone out. On 6/16 the 8th grade goes to Darien Lake.

City Honors Reconstruction

Update: Many people called Supt. office, BOE offices, and mailed postcards! By all accounts they were deluged. The Supt. will come to CHS

and meet with some of us on May 15th at 6 pm. PTSCO Board, Foundation, and Alumni to meet with him.

Letters went to the Mayor and also will be sent to the State Ed. Dept. outlining our ideas, feelings, and positions on the issue and how it was handled. We need to let people know, in discussions with anyone, how we feel about this school and its location. Much discussion about this topic.

It was mentioned that we also need to educate the Board of Education more about CHS programs and school.

CHS Foundation

The annual “Spring Fling” or “Party in the Hall” will be held Friday, May 19th, honoring parent Prish Moran and former teacher Jim Duggan. This is the Foundation’s biggest fundraiser; please make every effort to attend. It’s always a great evening and wonderful food and drink.

Next meeting: May 18, 2006 at 5:30 pm

Minutes submitted by Linda Foley