

UCHS PTSA General Meeting
January 10, 2013 – 6.30 pm
Meeting commenced at 6:30pm

Introduction and Welcome: Noelle welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Approval of Minutes: December minutes were approved as is. Motion to approve minutes by Debbie Betzfenderfer, second Terri Cendali. All in favor.

Presidents Report: A request was made for volunteers to be on the 2013 nominating committee. A total of 4 volunteers are required - 3 members plus 1 alternate. Greg Hom our current parliamentarian briefly described how the committee forms a slate for the upcoming year and the expectations of the committee, stressing that this is a low time commitment.

Treasurer's Report: Four new members joined the PTSA this month. The teacher grants that were approved last month, receipts are slowly trickling in for the items that have been purchased. It was mentioned again that if you wish to make a donation or join the PTSA this can be done via the website using the new paypal option. Netanya Cranford made a motion to ratify Check #'s 2094 thru 2119 – Terri Cendali made a second. No discussion took place. All in favor.

Programs:

- Cyber Safety will be held in the media center and SDPD will be presenting. In the past this has been a worthwhile workshop. Please try and attend.
- Self Defense will be held on Jan 29th for the girls. At this time over 20 girls have signed up. Boys seminar will be held on Feb 26th.

ASB :- ASB are hosting a food drive for “freedom from hunger”, they are currently accepting non-perishable food. Bins are located around the campus. ASB has partnered with Jersey Mikes as a fundraiser. Coupons are available to purchase subs for \$1 for a limited time period. Jersey Mikes will be donating 100% to ASB. To find all other class fundraisers please visit the ASB website.

EDUCATE: An Educate board member gave an update of ongoing activities/donations to the five UC schools. If anyone is interested in volunteering for their main event – Taste of The Triangle to be held on April 19th, please visit their website to sign up.

Grad Nite Update: A brief history and explanation were presented. A motion was made by Terri Cendali to bring Grad Nite back to PTSA leadership, Debbie Betzenderfer made the second. Everyone in favor. No other discussion.

2nd Quarter Grants: The committee met and received seven applications to review. Five clubs were awarded \$250; golf team, hand-up club, American red cross club, hope for Uganda and best buddies. The two other clubs will re-submit for review when they gather more information.

Adopt-A-Family Update – One week before school was out for winter break it was decided that we needed to sponsor an adopt a family program. In such a short time, UCHS families raised \$2,500 and were able to help five families. This is a program that we will continue to contribute and support. Thank YOU everyone.

UCCA: UCCA is looking for a parent representative to be a liaison between the school and the community. ASB President will be the representative for the student population. Thank you Caroline Gregor for volunteering.

PTSA Website: Needs a volunteer to keep the website current. Someone with Wordpress experience would be the perfect candidate. One suggestion would be perhaps an art tech student may be interested in this responsibility. It was decided to add this request to the weekly blast.

UCHS Open House: UCHS will be hosting a school tour for prospective parents on January 16th, 2013. Clare Gibson made the motion to allow up to \$25 to provide refreshments for the guests. Tama Becker-Varano made the second. No discussion all in favor.

- **Membership:** Please sign up! Available on the website (paypal available.)
- **Escrip:** A reminder to keep current, remember to change your school to UCHS
- **Alcohol and drug awareness Committee:** If no volunteers step up this will be a ‘no go’!
- **Redirecting Teen's Behavior:** A Family Coach did a brief presentation at the meeting. Good information.
- **Roundtable:** Boarder voices program, a program which offers poetry and teaches kids on how to express themselves through poetry, there are opportunities to to participate in the fair, maybe get their work published, prizes, etc., it was suggested that we gather more information/details to investigate if the PTSA would be interested in sponsoring this program.
- Meeting adjourned 7:35