

Location: SMHS Conference Room 128

Date/Time: Wednesday, March 4, 2026 | 4:30 pm

In Attendance: Rachel Nafrada (President), Christine Gonzales (Vice President), Jennifer Larochelle (Volunteers and Membership), Whitney McCoy (Co-Chair Volunteers and Membership), Melissa Jensen (Treasurer), Allison Stanton (Vice President of Events), Michele Bewley (Secretary)

Advisors: Bonnie Bagheri (ASB/Link Crew), Dr. Christine Wilde (Principal)

Guests: None

Absent: Sonja Olson (Vice President of Fundraising), Bonnie Bagheri (ASB/Link Crew), Dr. Christine Wilde (Principal)

Meeting Called to Order: 4:32 PM

Principal Report (Dr. Wilde): Absent

ASB Report (Bonnie Bagheri): Absent

President Report (Rachel Nafrada)

- PAC meeting:
 - Erin Garcia announced they are seeking community members to fill three volunteer vacancies on its Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee, positions include one active senior citizen representative, one Parent/Guardian representative, and one PTO representative.
 - Ted Norman, SMUSD Maintenance and Operations, head of facilities commented on school facility use by non-profits.
 - Future Ready-the district is using Xello to help students to identify interests, guide future and current course selection, and identify strengths to build towards career and life pathways.
 - Dr. Johnson discussed budget cuts: librarian positions are no longer in jeopardy but there will be a decrease in other positions across schools. There is decreased enrollment across the district.
- Meeting Minutes from February: motion to approve minutes from February: Alison motions; second: Christine. Ayes- 7, nays-0. Passed unanimously.
- Graduation signs: Using the same vendor as last year and same setup. Plan to distribute on a Saturday at SMHS.
- Basketball game ticket giveaway update: 95 students tickets were given away on a first come first serve basis (PTO had budgeted and approved for up to 100). Overall, very successful, students were excited and enthusiastic, coaches were very grateful as it added to a players' morale and school community.

- Donation request from AP Carissa Froelich: PTO to purchase plain black hats and shirts for dress code compliance for students in need.

Vice President (Christine Gonzalez):

- Scholarships:
 - Scholarships are open and available, deadline is April 20th
 - Helpers Alison, Melissa, and Whitney
 - Push out via social media outlets and if possible another Parent Square announcement. Share with Future Center, Project Next, and Counselors. Ask ASB to push out via Minga and Class of 2026

VP of Fundraising Report (Sonja Olson): absent, update sent via email to board members

- Legacy Wall:
 - Wrapping up the financials and raffles:
 - Student raffle: one family per grade level, reach out to the registrar for student ID numbers and will use a computerized random generator so that it is blinded.
 - Faculty raffle: small plaque for one faculty member that is selected using a computerized random generator. All board members in agreement on the donation of a faculty small plaque.
- Wellness center: working to purchase and donate their wish list of items.

Treasurer (Melissa Jensen):

- Wellness Center: all wishlist items purchased and they are beginning to be delivered.
- Disneyland: tickets have been refunded but waiting on Disney to issue the reimbursement.
- Upcoming purchase of a graduation banner for the graduating class, PTO pays for this.
- The counseling department has reached out and asked for a banner with their logo. PTO can purchase, Melissa will reach out to Sonja.

VP Volunteer (Jennifer Laroche and Whitney McCoy): The Art History teacher has reached out to see if there are any Level A volunteers available and willing to help chaperone the upcoming field trip to the Getty Museum.

VP Events (Alison Stanton):

- Providing lunch for the teachers for the 8th grade visits with Urbane Cafe. Will reach out to Bonnie to let her know of vendor choice and delivery location and time.
- Discover San Marcos, 8th grade family visits from 5-7 PM: PTO will have 2 tables set up in the Knights Center, set up at 4 PM, board members volunteering are Rachel, Michele, Alison, and Whitney.
- Vendor spreadsheet with pre-approval form will be sent by Rachel. Will need approval for any vendor that will be on campus to provide lunch for teachers for Teacher Appreciation Week in early May.

Secretary (Michele Bewley): Working on keeping up with social media and communications.

Meeting adjourned: 5:26 PM