

FRIENDS OF THE HGM, INC.
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From: Nita Dixit / Judy McKelvey
To: Board Members
Subject: Minutes -- Board of Directors Meeting, April 22, 2009
Attendees: Susan Proffitt; Rob Lindeen; Harry Geozian; Steven Shapero; Brent Lowensohn; Tina Kim; Nita Dixit
Guests: Phyllis Spadafora; Eugene Woo; Judy McKelvey

1. Call to Order

The meeting, chaired by President Susan Proffitt, was held in Randolph Hall and called to order at 6:50 pm.

2. HGM Coordinator Report

Phyllis Spadafora reported on this week's successful AP test pre-registration, Ocean Bowl, Quiz Bowl, and Science Olympiad team activities, Clay Day, and the HGM Alumni Career Day. The 2009-2010 Freshman Orientation is scheduled for September 8, 2009; an off-campus location capable of holding 200+ people needs to be secured for this event. Ms. Spadafora also presented information regarding expected cuts to the HGM teaching, counseling and clerical staff, increased class sizes, and magnet bus travel time increases, all resulting from anticipated LAUSD budget cuts. Current program needs and funding/development issues were also discussed.

3. Approval of Minutes

Nita will circulate minutes from the last Board meeting to Board members via email for review and approval.

4. Treasurer's Report

Steve reported that the Friends' account balance is currently \$52,190. Various expenditures are expected.

5. HGM SLC Report

Steve is leaving at the end of this year. He discussed the need to identify a Board member willing to participate in SLC meetings next year (monthly meetings usually held on Tuesday afternoons).

6. Governance Council Report

Rob is also leaving at the end of this year. He discussed the need to identify a Board member to participate in Governance Council meetings next year (monthly meetings usually held from 4-5 pm on Monday afternoons).

7. Fundraising

Harry reported that Friends fundraising is currently at an all-time high. Expected drastic budget cuts by the District and their effect on HGM programs was discussed. Harry also reported that Eureka! has again agreed to provide 18 hours of SAT test preparation services to a group of (paying) HGM students in Summer 2009; Harry is currently working to identify an off-site location for for this course (anticipated number of participating students: 20+).

8. Parent Education Meetings

Rob has been organizing the parent meetings; since he is leaving, someone else needs to step forward to spearhead the parent meetings.

9. Old Business

There was no old business.

10. New Business

The Board brainstormed regarding fundraising needs and efforts in response to anticipated 2008-2009 expenditure increases and 2009-2010 budget cuts.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 2 at 6:45 pm in Randolph Hall.