**Beckman High School**

**3588 Bryan Avenue, Irvine, CA 92602**

**Beckman PTO meeting Minutes**

**BHS Library, September 21,2016  
                               
  
Board Members in attendance** : Mary Hajali, Camille Gershenovitz, Kathy Ghanouni, Juna Chiang, Nancy Ayenechi, Katie Weissberg, Jeannie Vu, May Moraly, Paul Wasserman.

**Board Members absent**: Pam Daniele and Sandy.....

**Others in Attendance**: Donnie Rafter, Pam Edmondson, Suzanne Takieddine, Nora Hernandez, Kim Okamura, Sherry Chen, Yoosil Jung, Chantel Ok.

**Call to order** by Mary Hajali & Camille Gershenovitz, PTO Co-Presidents, at 6:35 pm.

**1. Welcome & Introduction**.   
  
**2.** **Review Minutes & Secretary Report**.

    Motion to approve May Minutes by Pam Edmondson, seconded by Nora Hernandez & passed.

**3.** **Administrator's Report**: Donnie Rafter

• Background : graduated Tustin High 1995; UCI played volleyball; Woodbridge coach & math teacher for 9 years; Foothill High School AP; Beckman AP & Principal; married; 2 boys at Hicks Canyon.

• Mr. Rafter shared his beliefs & values about education:

- Do what’s best for as many kids as possible.

- Servant leadership of administration

- Schools should teach academic & life skills.

- Every student should have a place of their own on campus.

- Leaders give credit to others for success and take responsibility for failures.

- Values honest conversations, transparency in process & integrity in all things.

• Where are we going?

- Maintain academic standards & focus on bringing up “middle kid”.

- Four A’s (Academics, Arts, Activities, Athletics).

- Elective Pathways.

- Increased attention to Student/Teacher Wellness.

- Reduced 7 period days & smaller class sizes.

- “Every Kid Needs a Champion” by Rita Pierson

• BHS Updates:

- 2892 students

- 6 new teachers – Barot, Gog, Wroblewski, Yoseph, Mihm, Walker

- Turf project: Nov 15 completion.

- Track/football field slated to begin early 2017

- Sand volleyball court is being investigated for the future.

- IVC dual enrollment classes:

   - Sports Medicine (IVC KNES & ROP Sports Medicine)

   - IVC Business

- CubeSat :

   - students launching satellite into space along with other Irvine high schools

   - Beckman students have the Avionics part of the project.

   - Launch late April/early May 2017 (possibly from Russia or India)

- Athletics – fall sports in full swing

- Activities – Neon Nights (Welcome Back Dance), Club Approvals, Homecoming (Oct. 29)

- Beckman is going to do more Twitter updates.

**4.** **Treasure Report** : Katie Weissberg

    The PTO is proposing a budget of $111,080 for the 2016/2017 school year.

    Income would be from the following sources:

     - Membership $60,000

     - Fundraising from retail rebates $800 and SAT review $4,000

     - Available Reserves $33,239.55

**Expenses:**

School enrichment projects 50% or $55,000: $30,000 for a projector in the commons, $15,000 for self closing security gates, $10,000 for PTO's contribution to new marquee.

Student awards which include: Honor roll, Night of the Star, Senior Awards, Tru Blu, and PBIS. 10% or $11,300

Classroom grants 9% or $10,000 to be used for where classes such as robotics,film,etc. can apply for grants.

Senior activities including grad night and grad ceremony 8% or $8,500

Library 6% or $7,000 as the only source of funds the library receives

Teacher & Staf Appreciation & Toy 6% or $6800

Drivers Education 4% or $4,000 program like every 15 minutes

Others 3% or $3,380

Business Expenses 3% or $3,000 for insurance, etc.

Blackboard Connect 2% or $2,100

Motion was made by Pam Danile Dixon to approve the budget for 2016-2017, Juna Chiang seconded the motion. Motion passed.  
  
  
**5. Membership Report : Juna Chiang**

730 Family participated this year and we raised around $ 60 000.

This year the directory to be send to the parents as PDF with option PTO can print a hard copy for the parents if requested.

A pace message to be sent to parents when directory is ready.

**6. TPSF Events** ( how you can help ) : Pam Edmondson  
  
State of the Schools Breakfast- Monday, September 26 - Beckman   
Invite your school supporters, especially business, to attend.  
  
Dino Dash - Sunday, November 6 - The Market Place   
Confirm if we will have a booth at this event ( make sure to sign up online by October 20th )   
Need 20 Volunteers for the Dino Dash ( go online [www.tpsf.net](http://www.tpsf.net/) select Dinosaur Dash and then select volunteers for volunteer opportunities.  
  
Golf Classic- Thursday, April 20, 2017 - Tustin Ranch Golf Course   
Join for golf or the fun dinner and auction.  
  
Teachers of the year Dinner - Friday, May 19, 2017 - Irvine Marriott Hotel   
Discuss making a personalized centerpiece for your honoree with administration  
Members are encouraged to purchase tickets to support the school.  
  
**7.** **Committee Chairs & Volunteering Report**:

The volunteers list need to be updated.  
New Students Luncheon scheduled on Tuesday, October 4 to host 180 students.

Motion to approve increasing the Honor Roll budget by $500 was made by Tayra Right (not sure about the name), seconded by Kathy Ghanouni. Motion passed.  
  
**8.** **Old Business**: none  
  
**9.** **New business:**

1. Suzanne Takieddine,   
   Emergency Water will expire soon and need to be replaced, it was suggested to try to sell it to the athletic events and buy water that last for 5 years.  
   Korean PTO will take care of buying the water. $1000 allocated in the PTO budget to support the Korean PTO purchase if needed.
2. Camille Gershenovitz:

PTO was asked by ED fund to share the cost of $3800 bill for summer read books for staff and students in need ( Power of Kindness), Motion was made by Katie Weissberg to approve $1800 to be allocated for the summer reading, Nora Hernandez seconded the motion. Motion passed.  
  
**10.** **Adjournment**: The meeting was adjourned at 8:07p.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, 19 ,October.

Minutes Prepared By: May Moraly - Secretary

Signature: