

**Beckman High School – PTO Minutes**  
**Oct 21, 2015, 6:30 p.m., Library**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by the President, Mary Hajali, at 6:35 p.m.

**Members in Attendance(11):** Mary Hajali, Jaya Ginson, Jane Wong, Camille Gershenovitz, Carmel Ryan, Helen Kim, Christine Kim, Adele Heuer, Suzanne Takieddine, Juna Chiang, Kathy Ghanouni

**Quorum:** Yes

**Approval of Minutes:** The motion was made to approve the September minutes by Camille Gershenovitz, Carmel Ryan seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by vote.

**Special Guests:** None

**Administrator's Report – Adele Heuer:**

- Official ribbon cutting of our new building is on Nov 12th at 10 am
- Finished college day and it was successful
  - PSAT was given to Juniors
  - 250 Sophomores bought the test
  - Freshman and those Sophomores who did not buy the test got to take online test
  - Seminars and workshops were conducted for the seniors
  - 15 different areas were covered; mainly they talked about Financial assistance, scholarships and loans
  - IVC representative spoke about the process of transfer
  - Mrs Ehret spoke about Naviance, and showing demonstrated interest in the college
- Back to school night was good
- Nov 19th is our report card night
- First evacuation drill was done and it was excellent as students evacuated in 15 minutes
- Homecoming was successful
- National merit semi finalist which was determined by PSAT score- we had 17 students, 9 Hispanics scholars, 43 commended scholars (in top 1%)
- Over 70 students were there from Beckman, Tustin high - 0 and Foothill - 10
- Dino dash is on Nov 1
- College night is at Tustin High on Nov 2

**President's Report - Mary Hajali**

- Dino dash is looking for volunteers.
- One can sponsor a student for \$15
- Tustin school foundation gifted Dino dash t-shirts

- Booths of booster clubs will also be there
- District is looking for parents to serve in district wellness committee
- They have meetings every 2nd Thursday of the month from 9:30 to 10:30 am
- Online K-8 school has started with 42 students and its growing
- Online schools is a great option for kids into acting career, parents traveling and homeschooled students
- Later it would be expanded to high school as well
- Next week is the Red Ribbon week. Will have dress up days and events during lunch
- Smart start program would be conducted towards prom time
- IPD liked the Smart start program
- We do not have resources for Every 15 minutes so it would not happen

#### **Treasurer Report - Camille Gershenovitz**

- Donations are coming using our Paypal account
- The restricted account is for the sound system in out gym
- we are installing one water refill system and it will be installed for free
- Revolution Prep did not pay us this year
- Proposal was made to negotiate with Princeton review Mary volunteered to take charge
- Library is renewing its subscription for the year
- Hospitality - new students luncheon happened for 60 new students

#### **Membership Report - Pam Edmondson and Carmel Ryan**

- 846 families joined the PTO.
- Total collection including the corporate match is \$64,500.
- Some teachers have joined reminders will be sent for the rest
- All the family information has been uploaded and directory will be online within 2 weeks
- Emails will be sent, click on the link, download the app and then one can make changes
- Sponsor can get tab on directory spot for \$75, banner on the fence or website for 150 and \$600 for all
- Kathy Ghanouni proposed to increase the amount to \$1000 for all

#### **Committee Chairs & Volunteering Report – Jane Wong**

- Total emergency supplies needed will be checked and communicated to us by Dr Choi
- We did 15 buckets last year which were not enough
- Water will be donated by the Korean PTO
- We had budgeted \$3,500 earlier for this
- Honor roll rescheduled to Nov from Oct 28, date not decided yet
- Gift cards will be give with raffle to the students
- Nov 16th we will have the first presenters for career day from the Healthcare

- Kathy Haskell retiring as of Dec 1st. It was proposed to present her something as a farewell
- Proposed to record the inventory of the table cloths
- It was proposed to organize the PTO cabinet

**Old Business:**

- Motion was made by Juna Chiang to amend the By Laws to elect Camille Ghershenovitz as Treasurer and Jaya Ginson as Secretary for the third consecutive year. Kathy Ghanouni seconded the motion. The motion was approved by vote.

**New Business:**

- Juna Chiang is responsible for amending the By Laws

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** Nov 18, 2015

**Minutes Prepared By:** Jaya Ginson - Secretary

Minutes Approved as Written: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes Approved as Corrected: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_