

**Beckman High School – PTO Minutes**  
**April 22, 2015, 6:30 p.m., Teacher's Lounge**

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by the President, Mary Hajali, at 6:34 p.m.

**Members in Attendance(14):** Adele Heuer, Mary Hajali, Jaya Ginson, Jane Wong, Suzanne Takieddine, Nancy Aynehchi, Kathy Ghanouni, Carmel Ryan, Pam Edmondson, Nora Hernandez, Michele Gamberutti, Fanny Chen, Valerie McNamara, Paris Hajali .

**Quorum:** Yes

**Approval of Minutes:** The motion was made to approve the March minutes by Jaya Ginson, Nancy Aynehchi seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by vote.

**Special Guests/next Year VP Membership:** Pam Edmondson & Carmel Ryan

- Proposal was made to switch to digital PTO directory for Beckman
- App will be used and cost depends on number of students, for 400 students it is \$450
- Need to check if can be used on multiple devices
- Downloading the pdf option is also there
- We do not need to store the details on our phones
- It was also proposed that if there are enough schools we can standardize it at the district level, and also get some discount for using the app

**ASB Report – Paris Hajali:**

- Preparing for Prom Assembly
- Prom Dance on May 30th
- Senior Picnic, Talent show and trip to the Disneyland are scheduled
- Voting is on for choosing next year members. Results finalized by Friday.

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

- During spring break Orchestra went to New York for their performance. It was a different weather everyday and a great trip.
- Testing month is coming up. For AP we will be administering 2000 exams
- New state testing will be administered this year.
- 10<sup>th</sup> grade will take CST in Life Sciences on paper
- 11<sup>th</sup> grade will take Math and English Language Arts using laptops
- Last week we applied for Gold Ribbon Award. This is in place of previous CA distinguished school
  - We could apply for Exemplary or Model Programs

- Exemplary consists of three categories – Technology, Visual Performance Arts, and Nutrition
- Model Program is the English Language Arts program
- We applied in Visual Performance Arts and Model programs
- 4 people visited us from Orange County Department of Education to evaluate
- In total 7 schools were visited including Pioneer, Foothill, Tustin High and Beckman
- In athletics our school is playing league, boys and girls lacrosse is undefeated
- We are 4<sup>th</sup> in Tennis, baseball number 1 league, volleyball 2<sup>nd</sup> in league
- Teacher of the year dinner is on May 15. Mr. Gonzales will be recognized from Beckman. He is also TUSD Secondary School Teacher of the Year.
- Graduation is on June 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm followed by Grad Night.
- In Robotics – 5<sup>th</sup> in San Diego. This weekend will have rescue Robotics
- If a student completes series of three classes then they would have completed a pathway. They will be recognized with a different color of medal
- Courses that are introduced are Graphic Arts, Media and Film (SoCal Film Festival on May 2<sup>nd</sup>), Visual Imagery, Robotics and Computers, Sports Medicine (a Biomedical Program) – the classes will be through IVC Athletic Training and is sponsored by IVC
- AP Human Geography introduced this year for Freshman
- Sound system to be replaced in the gym and the quote is for \$32,000
- Reflections on June 11<sup>th</sup>
- Twitter account @beckmanhs
- Instagram Beckman principal
- Registration dates:
  - Tuesday August 18<sup>th</sup> –Junior and Senior
  - Wednesday August 19<sup>th</sup>-Sophomore
  - Thursday August 20<sup>th</sup>- Freshman
  - Monday August 24<sup>th</sup>-Makeup Day
  - Friday August 21<sup>st</sup>-Freshman Orientation
- School starts September 1<sup>st</sup>

**President's Report – Mary Hajali:**

- Beckman PTO Facebook account created

**Volunteering Report – Jane Wong:**

- Hospitality committee- Golden Ribbon- no lunch this year
- This year having a Smart Start with Irvine Police Department to educate students against drinking/texting and driving
- Every Fifteen Minutes next year

**Old Business: None**

**New Business:** none

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

**Next Meeting:** TBD

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

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

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