

South Anchorage High School PTSO
General Membership Meeting
January 15, 2025
Raven's Ring Brewing
Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Dr. Almon, Landon and Amber Forth, Kim Leary, Jennifer Wagner, Jyll Green, Courtney Luff, Jayme Carr, Jennifer Torpey, Dane Senaga, Rebecca Tyler, Ethain Saipon, Cristy Jenssen.

Apologies: Lora Huston, Nikki Marshall

1. *Call to order*- 5:58 Landon Forth seconded by Dr. Almon
2. *Approval of Minutes*
 - a. Approve December meeting minutes. Motion to approve: Jennifer Wagner Second: Jayme Carr
3. *Principal's Report*
 - a. Good news-Teacher Jenn Eff was nominated to be a Yale teaching fellow. She will get a stipend and travel covered and gets to be mentored by Yale educators. She is an energetic educator, and this was well deserved.
 - b. Budget reality check today. \$111m short in the budget. They are going to spend down last spring's one time funding which gets us to \$67m shortfall. They are now looking for ways to cut \$67m from the budget. In February there are two board meetings to finalize the school district budget. Projected to have a decrease in enrollment at South next year so that will help with teacher numbers which will likely adjust via self-attrition (has already received expression of these departures). Elective course options are getting narrower and narrower. New legislature is keenly aware of the school budget issues. School budget due in March. Legislature does not move that quickly. Shortfall should not have any effect on our educational pathways-keeping mechatronics and film programs.
 - c. Tier 4 retirement for government employees has phased out so no more retirement offering for 20 years of service. This hurts our ability to attract and retain long term staff.
 - d. Round table discussion regarding ways to increase enrollment numbers-South has open enrollment. Dr. Almon states Service also looking expected decreased enrollment. West enrollment is increasing. It is difficult to promote South above other schools. The media, drone, and engineering programs at South are draws. School tours take place. South reaches out to all the Charter schools. Could potentially discuss how awesome the South-specific programs are on our social media.
4. *Teacher Representative Report*—
 - a. Motion to approve a grant that was circulated via email last week. New group "Story Tellers Guild" and they are asking for funding for food for their first event tomorrow night. They have requested

\$100 to purchase snacks. Dr. Almon makes a motion to approve. Seconded by Kim Leary. None opposed.

- b. Kim asking for a way to check the membership log. Teachers always ask her if they are members so they can request grants. Jennifer will get her the login information.

5. *Student Report*

- a. Dane reported that there were 20 people in an online AP Macro Economics course, and it was super difficult without an instructor.
- b. Dane is continuing to look for Junior students to take their places. Hilary Hanson and Nikki's son were suggested.

6. *Officer Reports*

- a. *President's Report*
 - i. Looking for any new ideas from the group.
 - ii. Looking for ways to boost membership. He will connect with Nikki.
 - iii. Appreciates everyone's input and involvement.
- b. *Treasurer's Report*
 - i. Printed financial statements provided.
 - ii. We continue to bring in the money-income from store is up to \$37k, \$5k in clothing (with a spend of about \$3k).
 - iii. Donations and memberships are on par with what was budgeted. We get a surge of donations and memberships in the spring.
 - iv. Total grant spending around \$3k, but we have \$20k in the budget. Dr. Almon will look for needs from the school and he will talk with Jenn Eff to see if she needs additional funds for her Yale trip.
 - v. Teacher coupons continue to come into the school store, some from last year.

7. *Committee Reports*

- a. *Senior Events*
 - i. Graduation is May 12 at 6:30.
 - ii. She is looking for information from PTSO sign ups to see who indicated they were interested in helping with senior events.
 - iii. Dr. Almon said Andrea in the office is coming up with a list of upcoming senior events and can embed a link with the list goes out for signups and volunteer opportunities to engage the senior parents to help.
- b. *School Store*
 - i. Struggling to get volunteers. Suggest a video for social media. Continued ask through Dr. Almon's weekly newsletter.
 - ii. Beverage refrigerator showed up and Jayme LOVES it. It fits a lot of beverages and has special space for the string cheese. There was a small dent when it was being brought in and Lowe's said they would provide a discount.
 - iii. She continues to look for healthy food options. Teriyaki chicken bowls are becoming more popular. The frozen Asian bowls all tend to be high in sodium.
 - iv. Still working with Dr. Butterfield on getting the kegerator installed.

c. Spirit Wear

- i. Lora unable to attend. Per Jennifer, Lora ordered more mountain hoodies that have not arrived yet.
- ii. Plan to order additional spirit wear towards the end of the year.
- iii. Still occasional online orders.

d. Membership

- i. Nikki is not present.
- ii. Just shy of 100 members.
- iii. Landon will reach out to her and see how he can help.

8. *Old Business*

- a. Shout out to Jennifer Torpey for the all-school breakfast. JROTC kids were a huge help. Deputy Chief showed up unannounced and ate breakfast. Plans to make signs to post that can be reused at future events.

9. *New Business*

- a. Teacher appreciation week May 5-9. Possibly Heather Birch will lead this effort. There are about 90 daytime staff.
- b. Dr. Almon wants to shout out Dane who is writing his CLP paper on his involvement with PTSO. Plans to write about the amount of grants being awarded and discuss the difference that PTSO makes for the school. Round table discussion on the ways student involvement increased membership post COVID.
- c. Sadie Hawkins is February 22. We will want to provide water for this event. Jayme will add it to the next order.
- d. Prom is on April 26.

10. *Announcements*—Next meeting February 5, 2025, 6:00 P.M. at Raven's Ring.

11. *Adjourn*—Motion to adjourn 7:06 by Landon, seconded by Jyll Green.

Treasurer's Report

Jan. 15, 2025
 South High PTSO
 2024-2025

	2022-2023	2023-2024	2023-2024	2024-2025	2024-2025	Difference	
	Actual	Proposed	Actual	Proposed	Actual	Last Report	
Income	approximate						
Donations	\$2,040.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,460.82	\$1,000.00	\$1,070.00	\$300.00	\$320 from Spr 24
Donations directed to Staff App							\$80.82 owed to bowling team from Spr 24 and another check expected soon
Amazon Smiles /Fred Meyer	\$151.80	\$50.00		\$50.00			
Interest	\$10.99	\$12.00	\$12.45	\$12.00	\$5.21	\$1.14	
Other income	\$115.00						
Membership Dues	\$1,420.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,780.00	\$1,800.00			\$140 below budget
Individual					\$580.00		\$80 from Spr 24
Family					\$1,080.00		\$180 from Spr 24
School Store							
Clothing	\$11,999.00	\$20,000.00	\$13,964.10	\$14,000.00	\$5,124.00	\$55.00	
Food	\$39,146.70	\$45,000.00	\$53,872.39	\$53,000.00	\$36,757.48	\$8,941.46	
Carry-over from previous year	\$16,939.35	\$23,277.98	\$23,277.98	\$14,085.18	\$14,085.18		
TOTAL	\$71,822.84	\$91,239.98	\$94,167.74	\$83,947.18	\$58,701.87		
	\$54,883.49						
Expenses							
Administrative Grants		\$2,000.00	\$2,009.90	\$2,000.00	\$462.94	\$300.00	
Freshman Shirts/welcome gift		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00			
All School Breakfast		\$500.00	\$55.45	\$300.00			
Bank Fees	\$1,569.83	\$1,800.00	\$2,214.84	\$2,300.00	\$1,366.61	\$237.39	
Fees paid for other organizations							
Bo Seward Community Service Award	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$3,500.00			
Business License 2 years due Dec2023)	\$30.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$30.00		biennial report, bis lic next year
Emergency Preparedness		\$200.00		\$100.00			
Hospitality							
-Staff Luncheons/Breakfasts	\$43.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00			
-Staff Appreciation Days/Weeks	\$3,216.02	\$4,500.00	\$2,089.00	\$6,000.00	\$1,469.40		\$1449.40 reimbursed in Aug for Spring24 spending; total23-24 ~\$3739
-Custodial Night crew appreciation				\$500.00			
Back to School Ice Cream Social				\$300.00	\$284.85		
Family Emergency							
Graduation Support		\$500.00	\$331.33	\$500.00			water for prom, candy bags
Senior Fun Day	\$530.78	\$1,000.00	\$1,040.88	\$1,000.00			
Senior Night of Inspiration							
Graduation Hospitality Room	\$264.88	\$500.00		\$900.00	\$387.13		\$387.13 Spr24 normal budget 500 for year
Insurance	\$510.00	\$515.00	\$515.00	\$525.00	\$515.00		
Memberships		\$150.00	\$214.60	\$220.00			namecheap & Costco
Mini-Grants	\$4,310.76	\$29,000.00	\$28,250.66	\$23,500.00	\$3,058.40	\$304.17	
Operation Supplies	\$596.16	\$800.00	\$1,852.29	\$1,000.00	\$327.38		new water urns
Professional Services	\$315.34	\$500.00	\$159.99	\$300.00	\$205.33	\$164.99	online tax prep, quickbooks, Sundog web domain

School Store								
Clothing	\$14,761.50	\$15,000.00	\$15,177.63	\$6,000.00	\$2,922.49			negative from clothing donations to give away at
Food	\$18,733.65	\$23,000.00	\$23,225.57	\$27,000.00	\$19,505.03	\$4,008.12		got \$204 credit from online
Payout to other organizations								\$1184.60 from Spr24
Student Enrichment (Planners)								
Student Treats	\$936.73	\$750.00	\$167.92	\$500.00	\$147.93	\$147.93		
\$5 Teacher Coupons for student rewards			\$141.71	\$400.00	\$57.50	\$20.00		4 \$5 student gift cards to store available to each after they are redeemed book as \$2.50 in expenses
Wolverine Den	\$226.21	\$500.00		\$500.00				
Carry over to next year	\$23,277.98	\$6,000.00	\$14,085.18	\$6,000.00				
TOTAL	\$71,822.84	\$90,815.00	\$95,131.95	\$84,645.00	\$30,739.99			
Net Profit (Loss)		\$424.98	-\$964.21	-\$697.82	\$27,961.88			
Bank Balance (approx) 10/2/2024	\$27,961.88							
Quickbook Balance 9/30/2024	\$26,997.67							

South High PTO, Inc (new)

Statement of Activity Comparison

July 1, 2024 - January 15, 2025

	TOTAL	
	JUL 1, 2024 - JAN 15, 2025	JUL 1, 2023 - JAN 15, 2024 (PP)
Revenue		
Business donations		100.00
Clothing sales	5,124.00	10,317.30
Contributed income		
Donations directed by individuals	670.00	750.00
Silver donation	400.00	
Total Donations directed by individuals	1,070.00	750.00
Total Contributed income	1,070.00	750.00
Food Card		40.00
Investment income		
Interest	5.21	7.05
Total Investment income	5.21	7.05
Membership PTO		
Family PTO membership	1,080.00	920.00
Total Membership PTO	1,660.00	1,650.00
Sales		
Food sales	36,757.48	27,567.86
Total Sales	36,757.48	27,567.86
Total Revenue	\$44,616.69	\$40,432.21
Cost of Goods Sold		
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Cost clothing	2,922.49	13,972.41
Cost Food	19,505.03	13,446.18
Total Cost of Goods Sold	22,427.52	27,418.59
Total Cost of Goods Sold	\$22,427.52	\$27,418.59
GROSS PROFIT	\$22,189.17	\$13,013.62
Expenditures		
All School Breakfast		55.45
Awards & grants to others		
Administrative grants	462.94	
Student gift cards	57.50	35.00
Total Awards & grants to others	520.44	35.00
Contract & professional fees		
Accounting fees		84.99
Accounting software	164.99	
Biennial Report - Domestic Nonprofit Corporation	30.00	
Business License		100.00
Total Contract & professional fees	194.99	184.99
Insurance	515.00	515.00

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Mini-Grant	3,058.40	1,432.28
Office expenses		
Bank fees & service charges	1,366.61	1,222.15
Memberships & subscriptions		94.60
Office supplies		1,652.29
Software & apps	40.34	
Total Office expenses	1,406.95	2,969.04
Staff appreciation	1,469.40	306.00
Supplies		
Supplies & materials	327.38	
Total Supplies	327.38	
Total Expenditures	\$7,492.56	\$5,497.76
NET OPERATING REVENUE	\$14,696.61	\$7,515.86
Other Expenditures		
Graduation support		
Graduation Hospitality room	387.13	
Total Graduation support	387.13	
Other Miscellaneous Expenditure		
Back to school social	284.85	
Student candy handout	147.93	
Total Other Miscellaneous Expenditure	432.78	
Total Other Expenditures	\$819.91	\$0.00
NET OTHER REVENUE	\$ -819.91	\$0.00
NET REVENUE	\$13,876.70	\$7,515.86