

South Anchorage High School PTSO
General Membership Meeting
December 4, 2025
@Raven's Ring Brewing
Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Dr. Almon, Jennifer Wagner (treasurer), Landon Forth (president) Courtney Luff (VP), Amber Forth (spirit wear), Aubrey Forth (Student rep), Shelley Cooper on OWL (teacher/student govt), Jayme Carr, Jennifer Torpy, Jayme Carr (school store), Jyll Green (secretary).

Apologies: None.

1. *Call to order*- 6:07 by Landon Forth.
 - a. Introductions around the table.
2. *Approval of Minutes*
 - a. Approved October and November meeting minutes on hold-Jyll Green not in attendance and minutes still need to be created.
3. *Principal's Report*
 - a. Prepping for finals for about 200 kids not doing well in classes-trying to improve pass rate. Teachers are doing a spirit week this week. Budget discussion (see attached). \$80m funding gap this year, \$65m last year. PTR (pupil teacher ratio) going up. Has not been able to fill a 0.4 position (due to no benefits and part time work). So far plan to lose 4.3 teachers next year if no change to budget by the legislature. There will likely be other cuts outside of the classroom (counselors etc.). Handout provided as tool to send letters to legislators. Expect that some non-critical/required HS programs will be eliminated to save the budget. Need 7.5 elective credits in addition to required courses. Teachers are already in burnout territory. Concerns over classrooms not fitting class sizes of 50 kids. Kim plans to speak at the Rabbit Creek Community Council to express to others the dire situation. Concerns over strike mid-January. Discussion about what a teacher strike would look like for students (add on days at end of school year). Upcoming teacher meeting on how to picket. Graduation date is not likely affected due to Alaska Airlines contract for graduation. Dr. A states the school board is doing reasonable job of managing the money they have—there has been a line-item analysis of all expenditures and there are a few salary discrepancies that aren't likely worth adjusting.
4. *Teacher Representative Report*—
 - a. Three grant requests. 1) Tara Devlin \$500 for homework student engagement club "Thrive" for snacks. This is a club targeted at ESL students. She is a member of PTSO. Motion to approve Kim, seconded by Dr. A. None opposed. Approved. 2) Jocelyn Hemingway for \$300 for pre-extended school year (this targets kids who have a 50-59% in a class to see if they can get their grades

bumped up to gain credit). Kim states this is an amazing resource. The school district funds this resource, small spend for a huge impact. This club supports about 200 kids at South. This is the first year for this program. There are at 6-7 teachers presence, after school program held in the library. This is held for 9-10 days leading up to finals. Motion to approve Dr. A, seconded by Kim, none opposed. Approved for \$600 (above asking amount). 3) Jacqueline Hanks is asking for \$100 for social skills class final project to make gingerbread houses in class. Kim motions to approve for \$250 and seconded by Courtney Luff. Approved. 4) Dr. Almon requesting funds to support teacher party at Ravens Ring tomorrow night. Approved to cover spend-Dr. A will provide receipt.

- b. Kim states she loves students but sometimes there is a communication breakdown. Banners for all school breakfast won't be done until Wednesday, which is a 3-day window of notification. Sign up genius has been provided by Jennifer and this will be placed on social media by student liaisons. Student breakfast is Monday 12/15.
- c. Students have been engaged by teachers to decorate classroom and adjacent halls. It looks great in the school.

5. *Student Report*

- a. Aubrey states she started a tik tok page and it is very hard to get followed. They started at 0 and are now at 91 followers. Homecoming was their best visibility. Instagram gets maybe two likes per post. Next meeting, Aubrey will take photos and post on social media-requested we wear black/gold or South wear. Discussed doing a parent or teacher highlight for social media posts. Dr. A states the student of the week posts have been very popular-he recommended she link up with Amy Habberstad to collaborate to boost the visibility.

6. *Officer Reports*

- a. President's Report
 - i. Peer mentorship movie night wasn't super well attended but they gave PTSO a large signed thank you card.
 - ii. Landon is thankful for PTSO support. Shout out to everyone supporting the school store.
 - iii. Thankful for Aubrey's social media support and videos. PTSO is finally getting some legs on social media.
 - iv. Discussed PTSO insurance policy coverage. Had to include a rider to cover physical goods and cash in the school store. This was accidentally double paid by check and credit card but a refund is coming to the credit card.
 - v. Business license was renewed.
Swank movie license was paid.
- b. Treasurer's Report
 - i. Few new memberships. Silent auction brought in over \$700. Total donations total \$1800 this school year. \$37,000 from school store and \$7000ish from spirit wear (already exceeded last years' total of \$6200). There is a lot of grant money still available. Discussed with Dr. A what projects might need funding. Discussed setting up an athletics hall of fame with Harlow Robinson.
 - ii.

7. *Committee Reports*

- a. Senior Events
 - i. No report.
- b. School Store

- i. Jayme Carr discussed feeding the night crew in 12/19-budget of \$500. Wanted to get snacks that would keep and soups in the crock pot so the workers can come and go.
 - ii. Great cadre of regular volunteers. Always busy.
- c. Spirit Wear
 - i. Ordered more mountain hoodies and scarves-both very popular
- d. Membership
 - i. As above in treasury report.

8. *Old Business*

- a. None

9. *New Business*

- a. Movie nights: PTSO sponsoring Student Government for Dec 18 showing of Elf (licensing requirement by Swank who is the licensing agency). We need to purchase the film (cannot stream). Amber Forth created the flyer. Shelley has a popcorn machine and popcorn for popcorn sales at the moment. Kim suggested a trial run of selling popcorn at lunch to know the popcorn machine works. Courtney states they are also going to sell pretzels with cheese sauce and candy bars. Courtney will distribute flyers to Goldenview as well. David is the auditorium tech, and he will run the film. Max capacity is 600.

10. *Announcements*—Next meeting Tuesday January 6 at 6:00 p.m. at Ravens Ring Brewing.

11. *Adjourn*—Motion to adjourn by Landon Forth at 7:39 p.m. Second by Jyll Green.

Treasurer's Report

South High PTSO

Dec 4, 2025

2024-2025 end of year

	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	2024-2025	2025-2026	2025-2026	
	Actual	Actual	Proposed	Actual	Proposed	Actual	Change last report
Income	approximate						
Donations	\$2,040.00	\$1,460.82	\$1,000.00	\$1,896.32	\$1,200.00	\$1,800.00	\$820.00
Donations directed to Staff App							
Amazon Smiles /Fred Meyer	\$151.80		\$50.00	\$0.98	\$5.00		
Income from others using our square						\$11.00	\$11.00
Interest	\$10.99	\$12.45	\$12.00	\$12.89	\$12.00	\$5.95	\$1.47
Other income	\$115.00						
Membership Dues	\$1,420.00	\$1,780.00	\$1,800.00		\$1,800.00		
Individual				\$620.00		\$510.00	\$70.00
Family				\$1,240.00		\$1,460.00	\$260.00
School Store							
Clothing	\$11,999.00	\$13,964.10	\$14,000.00	\$6,219.00	\$6,500.00	\$7,074.69	\$135.00
Food	\$39,146.70	\$53,672.39	\$53,000.00	\$73,933.92	\$65,000.00	\$36,697.95	\$9,623.22
Carry-over from previous year	\$16,939.35	\$23,277.98	\$14,085.18	\$14,085.18	\$25,724.17	\$25,724.17	
TOTAL	\$71,822.84	\$94,167.74	\$83,947.18	\$98,008.29	\$100,241.17		
	\$54,883.49						
Expenses							
Administrative Grants		\$2,009.90	\$2,000.00	\$462.94	\$2,000.00		
Advertising Fund					\$500.00		
Freshman Shirts/welcome gift		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00				
All School Breakfast		\$55.45	\$300.00	\$402.94	\$400.00		
Bank Fees	\$1,569.83	\$2,214.84	\$2,300.00	\$2,792.03	\$2,900.00	\$1,840.97	\$450.66
Fees paid for other organizations							
Bo Seward Community Service Award	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$3,500.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,500.00		
Business License 2 years (due Nov2027) Biennial report due Fall 26	\$30.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$30.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	
Emergency Preparedness			\$100.00				
Hospitality							
-Staff Luncheons/Breakfasts	\$43.00	\$200.00	\$200.00		\$200.00		
-Staff Appreciation Days/Weeks	\$3,216.02	\$2,089.00	\$6,000.00	\$4,497.67	\$5,000.00		
-Custodial Night crew appreciation			\$500.00		\$500.00		
Back to School Ice Cream Social			\$300.00	\$284.85	\$0.00		

Family Emergency							
Graduation Support		\$331.33	\$500.00	\$488.30	\$500.00		
Senior Fun Day	\$530.78	\$1,040.88	\$1,000.00	\$952.72	\$1,000.00		
Senior Night of Inspiration							
Graduation Hospitality Room	\$264.88		\$900.00	\$387.13	\$900.00	\$416.52	
Insurance	\$510.00	\$515.00	\$525.00	\$515.00	\$530.00	\$1,030.00	
Memberships		\$214.60	\$220.00	\$130.00	\$200.00	\$288.00	\$288.00
Mini-Grants	\$4,310.76	\$28,250.66	\$23,500.00	\$13,864.40	\$37,611.17	\$11,648.51	\$2,827.84
Operation Supplies	\$596.16	\$1,652.29	\$1,000.00	\$1,259.48	\$1,000.00	\$137.27	
Movie License (Swank)						\$756.00	
Professional Services	\$315.34	\$159.99	\$300.00	\$205.33	\$300.00	\$84.99	
School Store							
Clothing	\$14,761.50	\$15,177.63	\$7,000.00	\$6,704.75	\$2,000.00	\$2,319.89	\$1,585.39
Food	\$18,733.65	\$23,225.57	\$27,000.00	\$35,007.15	\$34,000.00	\$17,302.39	
Payout to other organizations							
Student Enrichment (Planners)							
Student Treats	\$936.73	\$167.92	\$500.00	\$147.93	\$300.00	\$191.92	\$191.92
\$5 Teacher Coupons for student rewards		\$141.71	\$400.00	\$151.50	\$300.00	\$15.00	\$2.50
Wolverine Den	\$226.21		\$500.00		\$500.00		
Carry over to next year	\$23,277.98	\$14,085.18	\$6,000.00		\$6,000.00		
TOTAL	\$71,822.84	\$95,131.95	\$85,645.00	\$72,284.12			
Net Profit (Loss)		-\$964.21	-\$1,697.82	\$25,724.17	\$0.00		
Bank Balance (approx) 12/4/2025	\$37,294.30						
Quickbook Balance 12/4/2025	\$37,152.30						

\$416.52 Grad 25

double paid, will get a refund of 515

Cheddar Up

added to budget

Statement of Activity Comparison

South High PTSO, Inc (new)

July 1-December 4, 2025

DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT	TOTAL	
	JUL 1 - DEC 4 2025	JUL 1 - DEC 4 2024 (CUSTOM)
Income		
Clothing sales	7,074.69	5,069.00
Contributed income		
Donations directed by individuals	\$1,500.00	\$370.00
Silver donation	300.00	400.00
Total for Donations directed by individuals	\$1,800.00	\$770.00
Total for Contributed income	\$1,800.00	\$770.00
Investment income		
Interest	4.48	4.07
Total for Investment income	\$4.48	\$4.07
Membership PTO	\$510.00	\$580.00
Family PTSO membership	1,460.00	1,080.00
Total for Membership PTO	\$1,970.00	\$1,660.00
Sales		
Food sales	36,697.95	30,089.60
Movie concessions	0.00	
Movie tickets	11.00	
Total for Sales	\$36,708.95	\$30,089.60
Total for Income	\$47,558.12	\$37,592.67
Cost of Sales		
Cost of Goods Sold		
Cost clothing	2,319.89	2,922.49
Cost Food	17,302.39	15,411.92
Total for Cost of Goods Sold	\$19,622.28	\$18,334.41
Total for Cost of Sales	\$19,622.28	\$18,334.41
Gross Profit	\$27,935.84	\$19,258.26
Expenses		
Awards & grants to others		
Student gift cards	15.00	37.50
Administrative grants		162.94
Total for Awards & grants to others	\$15.00	\$200.44
Contract & professional fees		
Accounting software	84.99	84.99
Business License	100.00	
Movie License	756.00	
Biennial Report - Domestic Nonprofit Corporation		30.00
Total for Contract & professional fees	\$940.99	\$114.99
Insurance	1,030.00	515.00

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DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT	TOTAL	
	JUL 1 - DEC 4 2025	JUL 1 - DEC 4 2024 (CUSTOM)
Mini-Grant	11,648.51	2,754.23
Office expenses		
Bank fees & service charges	1,840.97	1,142.83
Memberships & subscriptions	288.00	
Software & apps		40.34
Total for Office expenses	\$2,128.97	\$1,183.17
Supplies		
Supplies & materials	137.27	327.38
Total for Supplies	\$137.27	\$327.38
Staff appreciation		1,469.40
Total for Expenses	\$15,900.74	\$6,564.61
Net Operating Income	\$12,035.10	\$12,693.65
Other Income		
Other Expenses		
Graduation support		
Graduation Hospitality room	416.52	387.13
Total for Graduation support	\$416.52	\$387.13
Other Miscellaneous Expenditure		
Student candy handout	191.92	147.93
Back to school social		284.85
Total for Other Miscellaneous Expenditure	\$191.92	\$432.78
Total for Other Expenses	\$608.44	\$819.91
Net Other Income	-\$608.44	-\$819.91
Net Income	\$11,426.66	\$11,873.74