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Wednesday, October 11, 2017

Location: Candlelite Inn Restaurant – Arlington, Texas

Attendees: See Sign-In Sheet

- Welcome and Call to Order was at 7:00pm, followed by Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.
- Erica Garcia read September Minutes. Bob Callas moved to accept the minutes as read; Jay Thomas second; motion approved.
- Nicia Harrison read September Treasurer's Report. Mike Mullen moved to accept treasurer's report as read; Melynda Merrifield second; motion approved.
- Lynn Watson
 - Thanked alumni for their help at the Class of 1967 reunion. Class will be making donation to alumni at Fall Fling.
- Judy Thomas
 - Passed around volunteer forms to sign up for merch sales on October 19 and November 9. These are both Thursday games at SHHS. Volunteers will sell items that were donated by SHHS Cheerleaders, as well as t-shirts.
 - Thanked Robert Wheaton for a \$50 donation to the alumni.
 - Alumni association will be honored at October 19 football game.
- Erica Garcia/Jayne Thomas
 - Erica and Jayme thanked everyone for their donations on North Texas Giving Day 2017. There were 42 online donations for a total of \$1,710. In addition, we met the requirements for a bonus fund from Communities Foundations. This amount is for \$625.
 - They also networked with a lot of prominent people in Arlington and made connections with Mission Arlington and the City of Arlington.
 - Plans and notes are being made for next year's event, including purchasing retractable banners, candy, etc. The Little Bell was a big hit!
- Sheila Young
 - Need donations, baskets, wrapping items – extra large cellophane bags for Fall Fling raffle baskets. The assembly will be Sunday, October 15th at 1:30, Sheila's house.
 - Sheila will be doing inventory of nametags, wristbands, and tickets; but we may have enough for the fling.
- Darla Peznell
 - Rosalyn Burch of SHHS said 2017 Hispanic Heritage Month will be celebrated Thursday, October 19. Theme is "shaping the bright future of America." The alumni association is SHHS honoree of the year for National Hispanic Heritage Month. We must fit shaping the bright future of America for the students of SHHS. Anyone who wishes to be part of the celebration, be there at 5pm. Event is at

6pm before football game.

- Claudia Perkins
 - Ms. Colleen Scott of Families in Transition provided update. She said there is a local church, New Day Church, which “adopted” SHHS and is creating bags with snacks, and is also receiving donations of coats. As of October 14, SHHS has 163 students “in transition” that have been identified. There is a need for sweatpants, sweatpants, feminine hygiene products, socks, and a clothing rack. One of the service club will re-organize clothing and hang everything up. Claudia reached out to Arlington Urban Ministries for clothing rack.
 - PEP Program needs baby bottles, baby feeding sets, size 4 and 5 diapers, and formula.
 - Alumni have also applied for World Vision program of \$50. The \$300 program will be given as a scholarship to SHHS.
- Brenda Allen Wolf
 - Received check from TX Rangers Foundation. Check will be deposited by Nicia Harrison, Treasurer. Meetings will be scheduled with coaches to decide how to move forward with purchases.
 - FYI: Brenda coordinated donation management for Hurricane Harvey and has pallets of items left over. She has diapers, formula. Issue is moving donations with freight. Access 10am to 2pm, Monday thru Friday. May be enough supplies for 6 months. Volunteers would need box truck and pallet jack. Hand offloading would take much more time.
- General Comments
 - Track meet at SHHS had 5-6 alumni volunteers – assisted with traffic, sold t-shirts, golf cart donations available. There were 90 schools with kids all the way from Houston and Lubbock – very impressed with event. Extra t-shirts for sale – see Claudia. (Bob Callas)
 - Big Sam Bell was donated to SHHS by Class of 1965. Judy had concerns regarding who it belongs to but does not want to transfer ownership. Alumni are caretakers but not owners of Bell. SHHS is owner of Bell (titled to SHHS). Money is budget with alumni to take care of maintenance and registration. (Judy Thomas)
 - To rent the Bell, visit website at www.shhstexans.org/shop. (Erica Garcia)
 - David will have Little Bell at Fall Fling. (Sheila Young/David Inman)
 - Suggestion to research storage space for bell. (Claudia Perkins)
 - Judy: Over \$1,000 for rental space. \$30-40/month for small spaces. There should be a place to keep safe at SHHS. David has confirmed he can keep it at his place. Judy will talk to Mr. B when they meet for baseball field discussions. (Judy Thomas)
 - Thanked volunteers at their reunion for helping and letting classmates enjoy their event. (Al Critz)
 - Suggestion to honor veterans on Veterans Day and coordinating with families of alums who were in the Vietnam War. Rep. Turner said he could participate at an event. Roxanne Thalman also confirmed she could participate. Claudia would need to verify with Mr. B that there will be a program at SHHS this year. If alumni know an alum we need to honor, get information to Claudia. (Claudia Perkins)
- Meeting adjourned at 7:52pm.