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Wednesday, May 10, 2017

Location: Candlelite Inn Restaurant – Arlington, Texas

Attendees: See Sign-In Sheet

- Welcome and Call to Order was at 7:01pm, followed by Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.
- Erica Garcia read April Minutes. Jayme Thomas moved to accept the April minutes as read; Jay Thomas second; motion approved.
- Michael Ledford read April Treasurer's Report. Michael Mullen moved to accept April treasurer's report as read; Judy Thomas second; motion approved.
- Mr. Benavides
 - There are a few open positions that he is hiring for next year, and there are official announcements coming soon for filled positions. There is a wait list to be placed at SHHS. Also, this is the lowest number of open positions they've had to fill for a new school year.
 - STAAR testing attendance was good.
 - Any alumni interesting in being row leaders at graduation were asked to contact Mr. Benavides or Darla.
 - Construction is ongoing on the 9th Grade Center. After this building, there will be renovations inside the main building.
 - No social worker will be employed at SHHS next year. Any recommendations for volunteers who are qualified and willing to work pro bono are welcomed.
 - Important Dates:
 - Senior Prom, May 20
 - Senior Send-Off/Panoramic Picture, May 24 @ 1:15pm
 - Graduation Rehearsal, May 25
 - Senior Awards Night, May 25
 - Graduation, June 4 @ 1pm
 - Homecoming Week, August 28 to September 1
 - Announced Long Tall Texan Award recipient for 2017: Sheila Young!
- Darla Peznell
 - Budget Committee was formed. Committee requires current board members and suggests board candidates to work together to review past budgets and create the new school year's budget. Volunteers: Laurie Flynn, Claudia Perkins.
 - Tellers Committee was formed. Committee volunteers count ballots at Board Elections during June General Meeting. Volunteers: Claudia Perkins, Mike Mullen, Jay Thomas. Alternate: Laurie Flynn. Judy Thomas moved to accept Tellers Committee as formed; Jayme Thomas second; motion approved.
 - Scholarship Committee presented nomination recommendations. There were 30 applications submitted. Of the 30, there were some incomplete applications

and 2 applicants who ended up being TCU Community Scholars. Committee narrowed down applicants to 6 recipients, and will be awarding \$7,500 this year.

- Erica Garcia
 - Reviewed voting eligibility, as well as reminded all in attendance to check with Secretary/Treasurer for paid membership. This year's paid members who provided an email address were sent a welcome email.
 - Data is being gathered and stored regarding donations, scholarships, meeting attendees, etc. This will help us apply for grants and show our growth as an organization moving forward. We are also striving for transparency. If there are suggestions regarding data collection, alumni are welcome to send an email or advise a board member.
- Claudia Perkins
 - Nomination Committee presented slate for 2017-2017 board. Slate is as follows:
 - President: Michael Ledford
 - VP: (open)
 - Secretary: Erica Garcia
 - Treasurer: Nicia Harrison
 - PR Chair: Darla Peznell
 - Social Chair: Sheila Young
 - Parliamentarian: Melynda Merrifield
- Brenda Wolf
 - Fourth of July Parade Committee's first meeting is following May General Meeting. More discussions would be held then.
- General Comments
 - Any distinguished alumni information (name, class, bio, accomplishments, etc.) should be shared with Bob Callas or Judy Thomas.
 - Concern over attendance at Parade mandatory meetings. Meetings have been set up in the committee's Facebook group. Michelle Wherley and Brenda Wolf will be attending May 25th meeting.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:58pm.