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August General Meeting

Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at 7pm

Location: Candlelite Inn Restaurant – Arlington, Texas

Board Members in Attendance: Sheila Ivy Young, Al Critz, Erica Garcia, Jayme Thomas, Melynda Merrifield, Claudia Perkins, Judy Thomas, Bob Callas

Board Members Not in Attendance: Brenda Allen Wolf

Additional Attendees: See Sign-In Sheet

**The President and Secretary were present at the meeting.*

- Welcome and Call to Order was at 7:03pm, followed by Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance.
- Erica Garcia read June Minutes. Bob Callas moved to accept the minutes as read; motion was second; motion approved.
- Jayme Thomas read June-July Treasurer's Report. Melynda Merrifield moved to accept the report as read; motion was second; motion approved.
- Mr. Benavides
 - Has started a newsletter for students that will be published monthly. He will pass along to Jayme to share with the alumni.
 - The construction on campus is 95% done. The temporaries are gone, and there work being done on the parking lots.
 - Security area is no longer with Commons A. To enter, visitors must go into new main corridor and into 9th Grade Center.
 - If only attending a pep rally, visitors can go to Gym A without visiting security area.
 - Staffing is almost 100%. As of meeting date, there was only one vacancy (for an assistant volleyball coach).
 - All students would have certified teacher on the first day of school.
 - On the official accountability report, SHHS has met standard!
 - Grad rate is currently at 84.2%.
 - Mr. B's goal is to get 90+%.
 - Mr. B is starting his 7th year at Sam.
- Erica Garcia
 - Presented the In-Kind Donations and Volunteer Hours Form. Copies of the form will be at every meeting. The form will allow alumni to make note of in-kind donations and any volunteer hours to help the board have a formal database.
 - Completed forms can be handed back to Erica.
 - Reminded all to sign up for Track It Forward website and begin logging volunteer hours if comfortable with electronic tracking.
 - Reminded all that are interested in volunteering at SHHS to complete the AISD

Volunteer application on the AISD website.

- Sheila Young
 - Announced appointed positions and directors.
 - Grant Coordinator – Brenda Allen Wolf
 - Donations Coordinator – Claudia Perkins
 - Director – Judy Thomas
 - Director – Bob Callas
- Jayme Thomas
 - Presented the 2018-19 proposed budget.
 - Each budget item was reviewed line by line with time for questions from meeting attendees.
 - Mike Mullen moved to accept the budget for 2018-19 as read; motion was second; none opposed; motion approved.
- Bob Callas/Class of 1968
 - Bob presented two checks on behalf of the Class of 1968. The funds were raised at their last class reunion.
 - First check was for \$1,749, designated for SHHS teacher needs.
 - Second check was for \$1,749, designated for the Texans Helping Texans Program.
- Erica Garcia/Jayme Thomas
 - Provided update on the Faculty and Staff Back to School Breakfast.
 - Breakfast will be Monday, August 13th.
 - Requested volunteers arrive between 6:15-6:30am and park in West lot by Gym A.
 - Serving would begin by 7:30am.
 - Business donors included...
 - Taco Cabana on Pioneer Pkwy and 360
 - Jason's Deli on S. Cooper
 - Einstein Bros Bagels
 - Chick-fil-A on N. Collins
 - Sugar Bee Sweets Bakery
 - Restaurant Depot
 - Thanked all alumni for their personal donations and invited everyone to stay for 8:30pm meeting.
- Al Critz
 - Fall Fling will be on Saturday, October 20.
 - Sign-ups for Fling volunteers will begin soon.
 - Donations are welcome!
 - Holiday Party will be Wednesday, December 12. The holiday party is a recent tradition and replaces the December meeting. SHHS faculty and staff are invited.
- Melynda Merrifield
 - Provided update on Membership Drive.
 - Melynda had contacted over 800 SHHS alumni in prior 2 ½ weeks.
 - New members included 12 alumni from Class of 1975, who have not been official members before this year.
- Sheila Ivy Young

- Provided update on class reunions.
 - Class of 78 may need volunteers; more information to come.
 - Class of 79 has a reunion set for April 27, 2019.
 - Class of 73 does not have date yet, but is working on it and will announce soon.
- General Comments
 - New website went live on August 1, 2018. Sponsors now listed on homepage. (Jayme Thomas)
 - Big Sam Bell was outside on patio for photos. Cash donations were taken up for David Inman, lead of Bell Committee. (Bob Callas)
 - Coach Hill has requested volunteers for this year's cross-country meets. This request was for manpower only; no funds needed. To volunteer, contact Mike Ledford. (Mike Ledford)
 - August 16
 - September 27
 - October 6
 - Discussion regarding a sign for the Coffee Drive by alumni. Mike will provide further info. (Mike Ledford)
- Meeting adjourned at 8:13pm.
- Minutes submitted by Secretary, Erica Garcia.
- Minutes approved on Wednesday, September 12, 2018.