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March General Meeting

Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 6:30pm

Location: Hosted live on Zoom

Board Members in Attendance: Laura Heymann, Darla Peznell, Jayme Thomas, Erica Garcia

Board Members Not in Attendance: N/A

Additional Attendees: See Sign-In Sheet

**The President was present at the meeting.*

- Welcome and Call to Order was at 6:37pm, followed by Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence.
- Laura Heymann announced that February Minutes were posted online. There were no corrections offered, and therefore the Minutes were approved as posted.
- Jayme Thomas shared February-March Treasurer's Report. All questions were answered by the Treasurer, and the Treasurer's Report was filed.
- President's Announcements
 - Grant Updates
 - No major updates since February meeting. Waiting on application feedback from those requests that have been submitted.
 - Next grant to apply for is on a rolling grant cycle (quarterly), and it will be completed during the Summer with updated data. Due date is in September.
 - SHHS Funding Updates
 - ASA for the Family Engagement Team was approved. The team will be hosting a drive-thru event at the school for SHHS families to receive important information related to Spring semester. All departments at SHHS are allowed to share their own info to be printed on the flyers. The original date was scheduled for March 11th, but it was pushed to March 31st at 5:30pm due to the snowstorm.
 - The association is providing (4) \$50 Walmart giftcards, which will be given out at random and serve as incentive for families to drop by.
 - There is also a request for volunteers. If you are available, please email info@shhstexans.org or check social media for the Google Form link! SHHS will contact all volunteers directly.
 - Judy Thomas Track Relays will be held March 20th at 10:00am, and the school is looking for volunteers. If you're interested, please email info@shhstexans.org or contact Mike Ledford for more info!
 - Strategic Plan
 - No major updates to share this month, although many Q1 goals have been completed already. All pending Q1 goals should be completed by March.
 - The full strategic plan and all quarterly goals can be found on our website at www.shhstexans.org/strategic-plan.
- Discussions & Updates
 - 2021 Scholarships
 - Committee includes the full Board of Directors, Nicia Dibben, Jo Anna Cardoza, and Fernando Benavides.

- Decision made to offer both online and paper versions of the application.
- Committee will be responsible for reviewing all applications and determining winners/dollar amounts/scholarship.
- Potential awards include...
 - SHHS Alumni Association Scholarship
 - Judy Thomas Memorial Scholarship
 - Laurie Cree Flynn Memorial Scholarship
 - Benavides-Semones Scholarship
 - Jo Ann Goolsby Memorial Scholarship
- Erica will contact SHHS to determine if there is plans for Senior Awards Night; and if so, when that is and how soon the school would need scholarship recipient names.
- App should be posted by Monday after AISD Spring Break.
- Elections Committee
 - **Letter of Intent were due by Wednesday, March 10th at 11:59pm.**
 - Committee includes Nicia Dibben and Fernando Benavides.
 - Committee tasks are creating the Nomination Slate to present at the April General Meeting, as well as counting election ballots at May General Meeting.
- Staff Appreciation
 - Discussion held to decide when/if to provide individual gifts to SHHS faculty and staff. Attendees decided to hold off on at this point and fulfill needs through Alumni Support Applications or requests from SHHS leadership.
 - Laura Heymann was scheduled to have meeting with Juan Villarreal, SHHS Principal, regarding the UTA Day of Service and would also ask for any known needs of the faculty and staff.
- Long Haul Texan Award Nominations
 - The Long Haul Texan Awards were created in 2019 to honor long-time volunteers. The first awards were given to founding board members from the 90s who stayed active and supported the new association after it become a 501(c)(3) registered non-profit. This award allows the association to thank Texans more often than just the annual Long *Tall* Texan Award given by SHHS at graduation.
 - If you know any Texans who have been long-time volunteers and been instrumental in moving the organization forward, please send their info and why you think they should be honored to info@shstexans.org. (There is no formal application – we are excited to read all your emails!)
- April General Meeting
 - Our goal is to honor the new Long Haul Texan inductees at this meeting. We also hope to meet in-person, if COVID-19 is more controlled and folks feel safe enough to attend! Stay tuned to our website, newsletter, and social media for location updates.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.
- Minutes submitted by Secretary, Erica Garcia.