

CLEVELAND HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
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CHSAA ANNUAL MEETING
Cleveland High School
January 20, 2018

In Attendance: John Barton '54, Steve Brady '86, Mary Lou (Zarkades) Barton '54, JoAnn Smith '56, Allan Storaasli '62, Jae Ahn Nakahara, ML Shukis '54, Myra P. Shukis '68, Rosa (Echniz) Facciuto '36, Emil (Martinovic) Martin '40, Ed Bopry '45, Sam Ronnie, 59, Sharon Ronnie '61, Phyllis Ronnie '55, Trena (Burns) Walker, 75, Janice (Dahl) Stepp '66, Steve Chinn '80, Mahogeny Villars '05, Byron Coney '47

Absent: Bernie Moskowitz '57, Arleen Hubbell '55

Special Guests: George Breland, CHS Principal; Chris Bryant, CHS Athletic Director

The meeting was called to order at 1015am by John Barton, CHSAA Vice President

1. Key Accomplishments of 2017

- Music Programs – \$11,000 purchased uniforms
- Journalism – \$2,500 camera equipment
- Scholarships – \$10,000
- New monument -- \$13,064 installed at the CHS Memorial Forest
- Memorial Day weekend ceremony big success:
 - Guest speaker Brent Jones from Seattle Public Schools
 - Guest speaker Principal Breland of CHS
 - Flyover by vintage World War II airplane, T28

2. George Breland provided a CHS Update – Mr. Breland is in his fifth year as Principal of CHS.

- CHS has received high marks for the last 2 years
 - The School Distinction award top 5% in mathematics.
- South Seattle College will provide the first year FREE (the 13th Year Scholarship) for any CHS graduate..
- CHS has the highest graduation rate in Seattle at 91%
 - Black graduation rate is 87%
 - Latino graduation rate is 88%
- CHS enrollment:
 - CHS can accommodate 930-940 students –
 - Enrollment capped at 860 by the school board
 - 100 are on waitlist. .
 - Student makeup: 48.5% Asian, 28.3% African American, 10% Latino, 8% Caucasian.
 - 56% of CHS students receive free lunch or reduced-price lunch.
 - CHS can't draw from Rainer Beach – 2 mile radius for community/community pride potential.
- Modified school day:
 - Class size: typically 32 students/class; elective classes are larger
 - 4 classes per day @ 80 minutes each
 - 3 weekly classes @ 80 minutes each
- One suicide last year – i.e. too much family pressure
- New football field and sports complex for CHS: \$2M
 - Break ground between April and October.
 - Field ownership – 2/3 owned by City/one-third by district – needs astro-turf

3. CHS Field – Chris Bryant

- Submitted requests for the following items:
 - Baseball uniforms: \$3600
 - Canopies for weather protection, 2 each \$ 300
 - Gym chairs (36 each) and storage rack \$4000
 - Score tables (for gym) \$4000
 - Varsity letters \$1000
 - Wrestling warm-ups \$2000
- The golf team raised money by selling polo shirts
- It cost athletic programs \$20K for buses to cover last fall
- Girls baseball uniforms ordered for next season
- Soccer – \$3K raised by boys
- Soft baseball - \$5K grant from Mariners (split between baseball and fast-pitch softball)
- Seattle Times moving away from high school sports
- Introduced the need for an interactive TV (2ea) that would be located near office and cafeteria. These would be used to keep students apprised of upcoming activities and highlights from recent programs, events and sports competitions. The approximate cost is \$13,000. Less expensive options are being considered.

4. Treasurer’s Report – Allen Storaasli

- A breakdown of all expenses for the year was provided
- A breakdown of our financial accounts was provided

5. On-Line Donations – Steve Brady

- Following a brief discussion of this subject, we decided to try it

6. HS Scholarships – JoAnn Smith will continue to work this area with Steve Brady

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7. 2018 Objectives

- Creating CHSAA Presence on Social Media – Jae Ahn Nakamara
 - Showed chart re Social Media – Facebook to build community
 - Motion: Steve Brady moved that we start social media campaign and fund it \$500. Mahogeny Villars seconded. Motion carried.

8. CHS Memorial Forest Issues – John Barton

- Nothing in King County records to protect property from being sold for commercial development.
- Working to sell the property development rights or some other way to protect property.
- King County interested in protecting forest land.
 - In a recent 25 year period, King County forest land was reduced by 1/3
 - King County has forest conservation programs
 - Purchase property development rights to prevent development.
- Forterra, a forest conservation group, owns property on east side.
- We’ve been working with King County and Forterra to protect the CHS Memorial Forest.

9. Elections:

- Steve Brady nominated Trena Burns Walker '75 to join CHSAA Board. Seconded and passed.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Lou Barton - Secretary