

**PAC MINUTES MONTH OF JANUARY 2009**  
**Boulder High School**

Counselors Office:

- \*Counselors office has put together a new student/families packet for all new families entering Boulder High.
- \*Parent Bulletin Board located in the entry hall of the school.
- \*Senior mid year applications are being mailed.
- \*Under classmen are choosing classes for next year.
  - Feb 12<sup>th</sup> students will be attending presentations.
  - Feb 13<sup>th</sup> Course Selection Assembly - students are making class selections. Teachers are advising them.
  - Feb 17<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> is registration for the under classmen.
  - Juniors will have until spring break to review and revise their class selections.
- \*At the start of this new year there were fewer changes made to class registrations. This is proof that the counselors are better preparing the students for their class selections early on in the registration process.

Cheri Vilona – Budget

- \*Expenditures must reflect the amount of money coming in. The expectation for next year is a reduction in donations and discussion was centered on how to better manage the budget.
- \*There was discussion around tightening expenditures with concerns about funds will slowly diminish over the next 2 years. We reviewed the budget to see where we could cut back. One of our biggest expenditures (almost 50%) is in the processing of the paper version of Highlights. By all going to electronic version we could save almost \$7000.00/year.
- \* Next year 2009-2010 the PAC has approved that all committees must present at the start of the school year their proposed budget for upcoming year. All expenditures thru out the year must be approved by PAC in order to receive funds. At the first PAC meeting in September members will look at each committees budget and the money bought to better control unapproved and unnecessary spending.
- \* The carry over amount from year to year was approved at \$7000.
- \*Money left in the account at the year end looks like \$4000. There was discussion on what the school needs and how to best spend it. Bud and the student body are thought to participate in this decision.

Alan Bock – SIT (School Improvement Team)

- \*School improvement report was recently approved by DAC.
- \*Future Goals of SIT
  - To create a stronger bridge with the Hispanic community.
  - CSAP scores will be evaluated using a growth model. This model is thought to be more fair and accurate in its analysis as you are comparing like students to like students. For example AP students are compared to

other AP students in their growth patterns. Average students are compared to other average students and so on.

#### Dolly Dean - Make A Difference

\*Twice a year fall and spring a letter goes out to all Boulder High families with the Boulder High teacher's "wish list" for the year. Bud approves all items on this list. The letter is asking for a donation of items or money which goes towards purchasing these items. Any donations made can be teacher specific. In this case that particular teacher will get the item or funds donated. Each teacher has a predetermined amount of time (90days) in which to spend the money given them. If it is not spent then the donation goes to the general pool and is given to another teacher.

\*Fall of 2008 there were 137 families who donated. Donations equal to \$32,215.00.

\*Last year fall 2007 there were 151 families with total donations of 36,130.00

\*The spring letter will go out in a couple of weeks. Anticipation is lower fund raising as the spring is always lower and given the current economic conditions.

#### Bud's Report

\*Bud was not in attendance as he was rooting on our team at the Coor's Event Center.

\*Lynn Donnelly sat in for him. There was no DPC meeting last month. The school is looking at 2 proposed calendars for next year. Their decision will be made at the next board meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> of January.

\*It is conclusive that the bomb threat on Tuesday was not initiated by a student. There is no public information at this time as it is still being investigated.

#### Shadowing at Boulder High

\*160 students shadowed last week and we are expecting 300 total for the year.

#### Registration

\*Need a new co-chair cover for Mary VanLeishout. This is a great job and I can talk someone into it if anyone has any recommendations. This doesn't have to be a new parent either.

\*We will also need a new parent rep for the freshman class. This position is usually filled by someone knowing someone rather than the advertisement. So it would be great if the group could brainstorm some names and then I'd be happy to follow up with a phone call.

\*Jan/Feb is when we will start planning for the next year's registration. My guess it will be very similar to this past year's event.

#### CSAP Snacks

\*Are under control. Please respond by signing up when you get the emails asking for donations. They always need tons of snacks and drinks. Both Mimi and Karen will be done this year and need a new coordinator. Whoever is interested can shadow us this year and learn the ropes.

## Highlights

\*We are trying to keep monthly expenses down by keeping the page count to no more than 8 pages. This saves on both printing and postage.

\*140 families have opted out of the printed version. We hope this continues to increase thru out the year.

\*Offering printed Highlights on a subscription basis next year at registration needs to be determined but could be a great deal of money back into the PAC budget for other necessary projects.

## Panther Club

\*The new gym is open for business. Panther club has donated funds to upgrade the scoreboard and provide new chairs for team seating. Those 2 items have been delivered. We have also provided funds for a scorers table, a volleyball equipment carrier and track equipment that have yet to be delivered. The "Paver Brick" fund raiser is about to be launched. They will be set on the south side of the new gym and fliers will be out next week for ordering information.