

LAMAR HIGH SCHOOL
PTO GENERAL MEETING
CAFETERIA
TUESDAY FEBRUARY 2, 2011

POSTING OF COLORS: - Lamar JROTC

CALL TO ORDER – Heather Koogler, President , called the meeting to order at 5:39 and welcomed all those attending.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Laura Rosenfield presented the minutes of the last General Meeting dated Sept. 21st , 2010. Doug Culver moved to approve the minutes seconded by Bonnie Clements. Minutes were approved as submitted.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Doug Culver provided a copy of the current profit/loss statement and reviewed it. Doug stated that we have \$33,299 in revenue and \$17,000 in expenses year to date.

HIGH SCHOOL CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM – Heather Koogler spoke on behalf of Betsy Taylor that they are looking for a few more host families for the Chinese students that will be here Feb 14th. There will be a welcome party and a farewell party. The students will shadow one day and go on field trips the other days: tour downtown, meet the mayor, visit NASA etc.

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE – Dr. McSwain thanked everyone for braving the cold and attending the meeting tonight. He talked candidly about the State's budget crisis. He reiterated that this is affecting all districts across the state and every district across the state is working together to address the issues. Dr McSwain gave greater details on the state's \$27 billion budget shortfall and the state's plans to cut \$10 billion from education to help balance the budget. It is up to the districts to inform the their communities and notify them on how to contact the state legislature to let them know how the voters feel. Dr. McSwain encouraged those in attendance to become informed and if they do not like what they find out to contact their legislatures

ADJOURN – Heather Koogler adjourned the meeting at 5:57 and invited parents of juniors to stay for the Junior Schedule planning meeting.