

Hillsdale High School (HHS)
Parent, Teacher, Student Organization (PTSO)
Meeting of the General Membership -- Monday, September 11, 2006

Call to Order/Introductions (Liz Wiegand) The meeting of the General Membership was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the PTSO Board was introduced.

Approval of Minutes (Alison Nyberg) The June 5 meeting was a social event and no business was conducted.

Treasurer's Report (Toni Johnson) At the close of the 2005-2006 academic year, the PTSO bank balance was \$6,910. The opening balance for this period was \$6,910; the closing balance was \$12,092. Receipts include \$1.28 interest income and \$5,180 in membership and donations. Approval of the report was **MSP (Moved, Seconded, Passed)**.

Toni presented the proposed 2006-2007 budget for approval. Income for the year is budgeted at \$12,000; \$19,425 is budgeted for expenses, of which \$17,000 will go to programs. Approval of the budget was **MSP**.

Other financial matters: Toni asked for and received release of funds for Hospitality, Membership, New staff, and a Back-to-School lunch, totaling \$1,280.

Yvonne Shiu asked if PTSO could assist with providing lunch for the Staff Development Day on Sept 15 (approximately 70 teachers and staff). It was **MSP** to allocate \$500 for the lunch.

President's Report (Liz Wiegand)
No report this month.

AKOTT (Denise Kubick, Nancy Venezia)

Historically AKOTT has been known as A Knight On The Town, a fundraising event which included dinner, entertainment, and an auction. Donations come from individuals and merchants; proceeds benefit six PTSO and boosters groups. Funds have been used to acquire sound system/sound board, music lockers, uniforms and safety equipment, computer equipment, library furniture, teacher supplies. Last year the event netted \$30K, but attendance was down and merchant donations were more difficult to obtain.

This year AKOTT has been re-titled as A Knight On the Telephone. In lieu of a major event, the AKOTT committee is organizing two "phone-a-thons" on Oct 23 and Oct 24 to solicit donations. The goal is to get donations from 400 families at an average of \$120 each. So far with just a flyer in the back-to-school packet, AKOTT has received \$12K in donations from nearly 90 families.

Principal's Report (Yvonne Shiu, Jeff Gilbert)

Jeff Gilbert reported on improvements of key measurements that are attributed to Smaller Learning Communities. Between 2004 and 2006, HHS narrowed the differences between HHS and District average API scores. Also, the number of HHS students passing Algebra 3-4 (a measurement of UC eligibility), chemistry, or physics with a C- or better has risen dramatically (see attached).

Student Government (Alysia Kreitem, Carolyn Worthge, Leanne Peluffo, Nicole Habeeb, Zaina Arslan)

Student government sponsors and organizes fundraisers, community and social awareness events, and spirit activities to support HHS students and community. On Sept 9, class fundraisers will be held in conjunction with the athletics boosters' Car Show. Currently in association with the Amnesty Club, they are co-sponsoring awareness activities about the political and social conditions in Darfur, Sudan.

Programs (Lois Darbonne)

Guest: Samuel Johnson, Superintendent of San Mateo Unified School District.

Measure M -- Mr. Johnson encouraged everyone to vote in favor of Measure M, a \$298MM bond issue to fund District facilities improvements. The measure is on the November 7 ballot. No argument opposing Measure M has been filed with the elections office.

2006-2007 Budget -- Due to dramatic changes in property tax revenue in recent years, the District's tax receipts in the past two years were substantially less than previously projected. In August, the District was advised by the San Mateo County Superintendent of Schools that the District must reduce its 2006-2007 budget by \$3.5MM, in order to meet state-mandated reserve requirements for economic uncertainty. A revised plan must be approved by September 29, or the District budget will be subject to review by the State Superintendent of Schools. The District invited faculty, administrators and staff to provide input on how to

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achieve the required reductions. The public, including parents and students, is welcome to provide input as well by sending an email to the Board of Trustees, or attending the Sept 21 Board meeting. At that meeting, the Board will consider all potential adjustments. A budget recommendation is due to the County by Sept 28. For more details, please refer to these SMUHSD documents found on the District web site:

Budget Fact Sheet: <http://www.smuhsd.k12.ca.us/FactSheetDraft.pdf>

Recommendation for Budget Recovery: <http://www.smuhsd.k12.ca.us/FINAL.pdf>

Auditor's Report (Kamal Kannan)

Kamal examined the financial records of the PTSO for the academic year ending June 30, 2006 and found them to be correct. The report was adopted.

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m. Next meeting is October 09, 2006.

PTSO Meetings - Second Monday of each month, 7 p.m.

2006: September 11; October 09; November 13; December 11

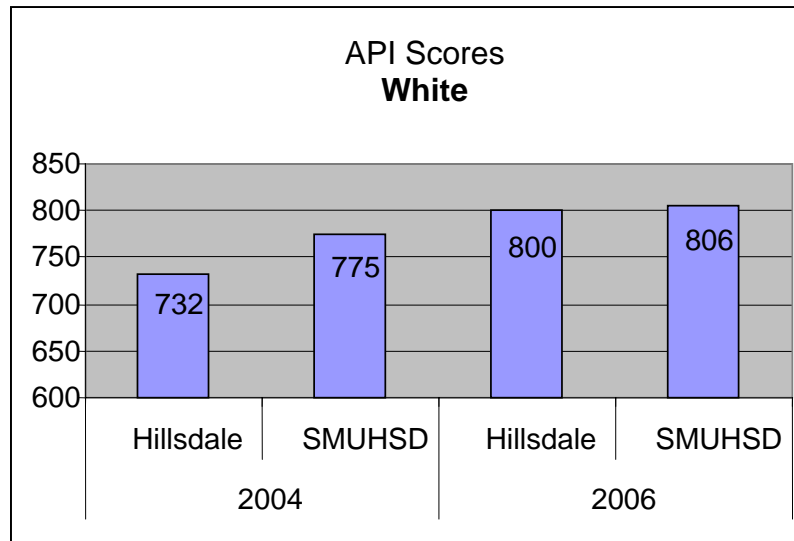
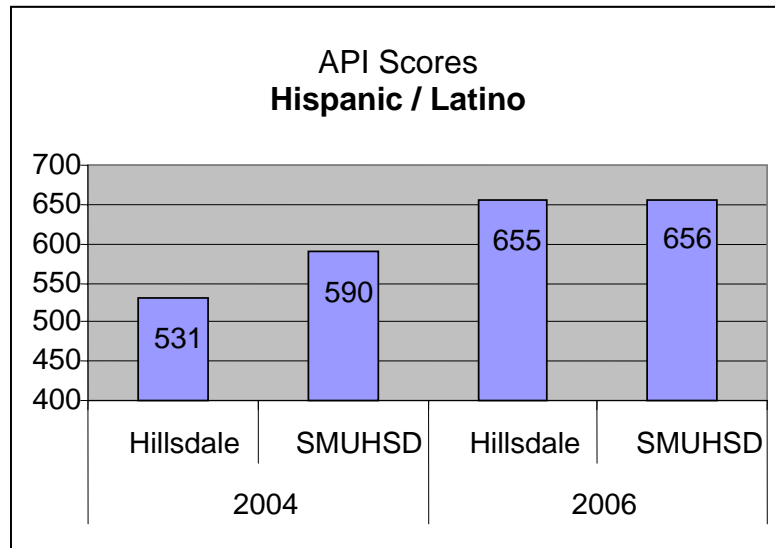
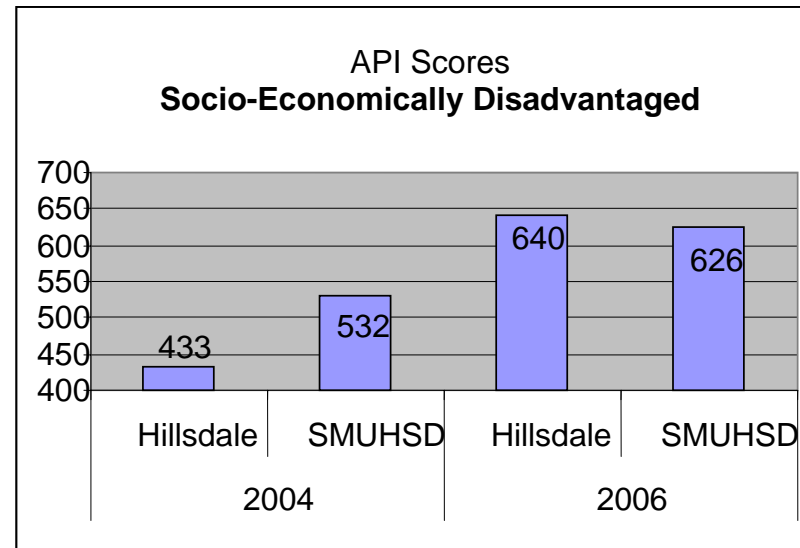
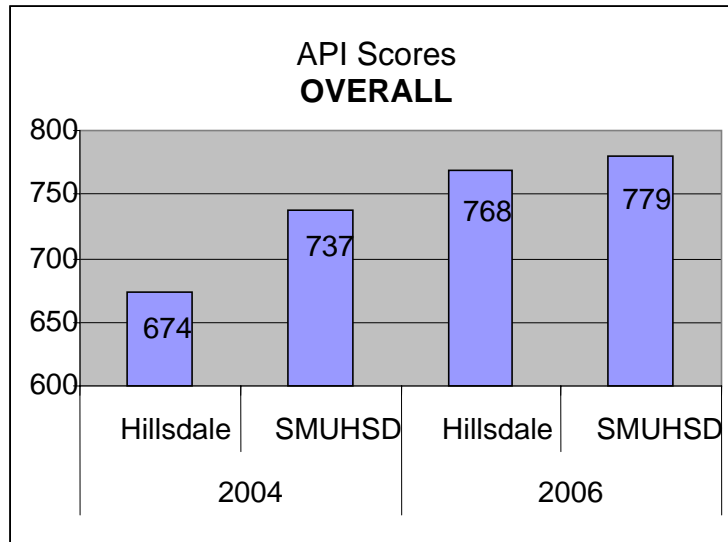
2007: January 08; February 12; March 12; April 09; May 14

Respectfully submitted,

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API scores; Science & Math enrollment. *Provided by Cheryl Lawton.*



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