

**GARDENA HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
MINUTES**

Date: SEPTEMBER 15, 2025 / Time: 4:00 PM PST

via Zoom

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ATTENDEES: Salli Hale - Crystal Hawkins - Phil Johnson - Elmer Membreño
Reshon Moutra - Tammy Kemp - Shirley Warren - Zerrona Williams

1. **Call to Order** – Shirley Warren called the meeting to order at 4:05 PM.
2. **Approval of the Agenda** –
3. **Approval of Minutes – August 18, 2025** – Minutes for the August 18, 2025, minutes were not available therefore these minutes will be presented and approved at the September meeting.
4. **Old Business**
 - **Fundraising**
 - **Fundraiser Calendar (School Year)** – the calendar was updated by penciling in dates for Zag Fundraising (March 2026); California Fish Grill (potentially Homecoming Day, October 24th. Phil Will reach out to Mr. Fries for a potential fundraiser on Homecoming day.
 - **Mr. Fries** – Phil will reach out to Mr. Fries to see if he is available for a fundraiser on Homecoming Day. Because of LAUSD and Gardena High permit restrictions, he will check to see if there is a possibility of them setting up outside of the school.
 - **Fishbone** – Fishbone is ready whenever we are ready (needs to be put on the calendar)
 - **Local Restaurants Fundraising Opportunities** – Chipotle, Panda Express and Chik Fila are still possible fundraising opportunities.
 - **Alumni Fundraising Gatherings** – still needs to be put on the calendar
 - **Long Beach Grand Prix Beer Booth** – the board needs to decide whether we will proceed.
 - **Double Good Fundraiser** – as previously agreed, Daisy will set up to coincide with Homecoming.
 - **Membership Drive/Plan** – a Membership Drive/Plan is scheduled to begin October 1, 2025. Anthony is working on membership cards.
 - **Merchandise** – Salli gave an update on merchandise sales at the All-Class Reunion Potluck on September 6th. Twenty-seven items were sold and \$100 in donations were made. Today a Lifetime Membership was purchased by Desdra Butler
 - **Senior Cabinet Advisory Board** – Rosie will continue to create an advisory board. An update including potential internships will be discussed in the October meeting.
 - **Scholarship Committee** – As of today, all three scholarship recipients have been given \$500 of the \$1,000 scholarship award. Once recipients provide evidence, they are in good standing for the second part of the school year, the remaining \$500 will be distributed.
 - **Grant Writing Services/Grant Opportunities & Mission Statement** – since this item has been on the agenda for months, the board decided to table this item until further notice
 - **Status of Logo Copyright** – there is no update for this item. It will be tabled until further notice as Shirley continues to work on.

- **2025 Calendar** – no updates; as a reminder, the calendar (regular & fundraising) can be found in Google Docs.
- **Board Members Photos & Bios for Website** – Board Members were reminded to send photos and bios to Anthony so that our website can be updated.

5. NEW BUSINESS

- **Principal Sonia Buenrostro** – not present
- **Treasurer Report** – Shirley reviewed the Treasurer Report which was also sent to board members via email prior to the meeting. The current bank account balance is \$6,797.74 Deposits were \$990, and \$1,100.8 in expenses.
- **Technology / Website Committee Report** – Anthony was not in attendance therefore no Technology/Website report was given.
- **Social Media (updates)** – Shirley had no updates for Facebook.
- **Public Comments** – no guests were present

6. **Adjournment** – A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Salli and seconded by Elmer. Shirley carried the motion, the ayes have it, and it was so ordered. The meeting was adjourned at 4:58pm.

Minutes submitted by Daisy Cardenas