



**Phoenix Alliance Membership Meeting
December 12, 2023**

1. **Call to Order:** Byron called the meeting to order at 6:02pm
2. **Welcome and Introductions:** Byron welcomed everyone.
3. **Determination of Quorum:** Quorum was met at 8 Board Members.
4. **Reading and Approval of Minutes:** The minutes were unanimously APPROVED as submitted
Mitra – Motion / Emma – Second
5. **Treasurer’s Report:** Byron went over the budget in Sarah’s absence. The total MOTA Revenue is \$26,530.00 We have \$44,696.22 due to UHS letting us have the ticket sale monies. We spent \$3,949.99 on MOTA. It was low because we received many food donations from our wonderful parents.
6. **President’s Report:** Byron reported that we are done with MOTA and moving on to the Phling.
 - a. **New Board Member Welcome:** Byron welcomed our newest board members: Yen Jiang and Aline Santos-Teixeira.
 - b. **Sal’s Vouchers:** Interest in the vouchers had renewed and we have sold 12. The committee had no objections to them being sold but decided not to buy more at this time. Brenda mentioned that it takes time to be approved for the program. Linda mentioned that she had fliers premade to promote the vouchers if we decide to sell them again.
7. **New Business:**
 - a. **MOTA Reimbursement and Donation Approval:** Byron explained that PA used to sell paper tickets to MOTA. Last year we sold online tickets but the revenue didn’t flow to PA so we hadn’t planned to sell them this year. UHS gave us the opportunity to sell them again and organized a way for us to receive the funds. The result was a nice profit. We had budgeted to donate \$5,000 to UHS but the large proceeds from the ticket sales enable us to donate more. Byron asked for the committee’s approval to raise the amount donated to use to \$14,284.00. PA will be left with \$28,000 to pay for Phling which should be more than adequate. There was general discussion as to costs of Saroyan and the Phling.
All approved raising the donation to UHS to \$14,284.00
Byron – motion / Emma – second.
8. **Events Report:**
 - a. **Phoenix Phling:** The theme is “Going Gatsby” and will be held at 625 Catering in Old Town Clovis. Melissa and Emma are in charge of the Silent Auction. Renae is in charge of the Live Auction. Mitra is in charge of the Dessert Auction. There will be a google spreadsheet of companies that seekers can approach for donations. There are donation letters available in the office to have in our cars so we can ask for donations from companies that we each do business with. There are also suggested donations on Signup Genius. There will be a few basket making days/nights at the end of February. It would be wonderful to have 10 Live Auction items. If you know anyone with a timeshare, beach house, houseboat, or any other large items that could be donated, please- let us know. Dessert signups will go out 6-7 weeks before the event. Desserts should serve 8-10 people and NOT require refrigeration. We are planning for 200 guests; the room will hold 240. Pam is in charge of entertainment. Yvette and Sarah are in charge of decorating. Ticket prices will be set in January. The menu will be finalized in January also. The goal is for the tickets to cover costs and the auctions to make profits.

- 9. UHS Report:** Yvette reported that Ms. Hickman sends her thankfulness that we have entrusted our children to UHS and her wishes for very happy holidays. Yvette has been busy sending out the tax letters for the donations. The office is transferring to the new giving platform, the two programs are currently overlapping which can be confusing. There have been many concerts lately. The Armenian Home that we have partnered with is loving all of the concerts and loved having the students attend their tree lighting ceremony. The school plans to advertise at Vintage Days in the Spring by having a booth. We will also have a booth at the Clovis Farmer Market again. The construction on our outdoor structure has finally started! Chukchansi Casino is generously helping us with the cost of it. Information Days are coming up. Please invite students to help promote the school. Pamela suggested that PA have a photographer so we can show pics of the events at Information Day and at the booths to promote the school. Linda suggested that we post pics on Facebook and Instagram to push ads for MOTA and other events. We could also use google drive to share photos with the school.
- 10. UHS Student Report:** Sophia reported that it is a busy time of year for the Seniors, they are filling out college apps and getting signed up for grad bash. Academic competitions are about to really kick off so the students are prepping for them. The students have enjoyed being active with the Armenian Home. Winter Formal is January 20th at the Senior Center in Clovis.
- 11. Upcoming Event Dates**

 - a. Winter Vacation:** December 18 – January 2
 - b. Phoenix Pfling:** March 2, 2024
- 12. Next Phoenix Alliance Meeting** – Tuesday, January 9
- 13. Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn ALL APPROVED
Renaee - motion / Mitra – second
The meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm