

# **Westfield High School Meeting**

## **December 13, 2001**

The December meeting of the Westfield High School PTSA was held on Thursday, December 13, 2001 in the Lecture Hall at the school. President Lynn Terhar called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. In attendance were:

Destiny Burns	Danielle Diacco	Ashley Shelton
LuAnn McNabb	Trish Manghelli	Joyce Pickens
Lori Knickerbocker	Bill Douskalis	Birgit Retson
Bev Basoglu	Sharon Bomgardner	Laurie O'Bryan
Penny Douskalis	Debbie Gregory	Dana Cimino
Jill Cimino	Lynn Terhar	Dale Rumberger
Sue Kiely	Vicky Francis	Salma Ashmawi
Becky Williams	Joe Field	

### SGA Report: Danielle Diacco (SGA Historian) and Asheley Shelton (SGA VP)

- On Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>, the SGA will box cookies for "Our neighbor's Child"
- Mr. Westfield Competition will be held on Jan 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Auditorium
- Bring a toy to the Basketball game on Dec, 18<sup>th</sup>, and admission will be half price. Toys will be donated to the Starlight Foundation
- There will be a Pep Rally on the first Friday in January
- On Jan 31<sup>st</sup>, the SGA will sponsor the "Price is Right"

### Treasurer's Report (Penny):

- The current account balance is \$10,094.82. The Treasurer's Report will be filed for audit.

### President's Report (Lynn):

- Holiday Food Baskets are being assembled for the school's 22 custodians. LuAnn McNabb moved that the PTSA contribute \$100 to this effort, Lori Knickerbocker seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Students of Ms. Moulton and Ms. Funesti will be hosting 3<sup>rd</sup> graders from Deer Park Elementary on Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>, and they requested funds from the PTSA (\$144) to help defray the cost of lunch. The board had questions about this request, and Dale said he would get clarification. If necessary, Lynn will send out an e-mail to get concurrence on the clarified request.
- The English Department will be sponsoring an Essay Contest, and asked for PTSA assistance in getting prizes and/or serving as judges for the contest.

### Principal's Report (Dale):

- There has been a new teacher hired at the school
- Many international visitors recently; reporters from Sweden, architects from Uruguay, educators from Austria "seeking partnership" with WHS
- WHS will host 30 educators from Oxfordshire on Feb 02, Dale plans to bring them to a PTSA meeting
- There will be an article in the Washington Post this coming weekend which will set the record straight about the AP incorrectly reporting that the school system will sell naming rights
- Representatives from south County HS Project came to visit WHS
- There is increasing concern about rising school enrollment. Dale's position is that instruction will not be sacrificed as a result. We need to come together with ideas and action plans. Last year's efforts with CIP provided needed awareness, and even though the PTSA took a lot of heat at the

time, the CIP will likely include recommendations for modular units at WHS. Concern remains over the increased use of common areas and keeping kids actively involved in a larger school.

The next WHS PTSA meeting is scheduled for January 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Destiny Burns, WHS PTSA Recording Secretary