

**The Westfield High School PTSA Meeting
December 19, 2002**

The December meeting of the Westfield High School PTSA was held on Thursday December 19, 2002 at the home of President Birgit Retson. The meeting was called to order at 7:34 pm.

In attendance were:

Trish Manghelli	Lynn Terhar	Destiny Burns
Bev Basoglu	Sue Kiely	Laurie O'Bryan
Lori Knickerbocker	Denise McCarthy	Dana Cimino
Vickie Francis	Joe O'Bryan	Heather Grayson
Penny Douskalis	Mark Richardson	Salma Ashmavi
Becky Williams	Birgit Retson	

The November 2002 minutes were approved as written.

The Treasurer's Report (Destiny Burns): Two accounts open:

ANGP	\$5,565.85
PTSA	\$16,185.45

The Committee Reports

Minority Achievement (Mark Richardson) He is working on setting up several sub committees: Outreach program; a Spanish curriculum night and to work with Trish Manghelli on Special Education. There was a group discussion on different things to try, ideas etc. to get more students involved.

Cultural Diversity (Salma Al Ashmawi) She talked about trying to set up a heritage night so students would be aware of different cultures.

BITS - (Trish Manghelli) There are 62 students enrolled so far, 32 come regularly. There are about 15 to 20 tutors. The BITS program starting in Jan. will be open to all the Feeder Schools for Math for 6th, 7th and 8th grades.

Special Education (Trish Manghelli) There is a PTSA Special Education web site. Talked about opening the curriculum night to 8th grade Special Ed. students

The PTSA Board meeting took a break at 8:08 to watch the School Board Meeting where our own PTSA member Destiny Burns spoke on the book challenge. We also listened to a Herndon High student. The meeting resumed at 8:30.

Volunteer Coordinator (Heather Grayson) Thanked everyone for all their help. She would like to update the volunteer form.

Membership (Dana Cimimo) There are 1225 members so far.

Academic Achievement (Sue Kiely) 3 cases/cabinets for the honor wall to showcase all the honor roll students. This will be put up before the 2nd quarter.

BDBBQ (Lynn Terhar) On Jan. 16th she will run for School Board member at large. In Jan. the BDBBQ committee will meet to start on next year's plans.

President's Report (Birgit Retson) A 24 class room addition will be built instead of the modular units. The 15 Book challenge will cost \$2,600.00 for each book and over 80 hours staff time. There will be a meeting in Jan. to strategize. In Feb. school board member Kathy Smith will talk to parents and answer questions.

The next WHS PTSA meeting is scheduled for Jan.16th at 7 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bev Basoglu, WHS PTSA Recording Secretary

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