

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

The November meeting of the Westfield High School PTSA was held on Tuesday November 19, 2002 in the Lecture Hall. President Birgit Retson called the meeting to order at 6:49 pm.

In attendance were:

Trish Manghelli	Lynn Terhar	Destiny Burns
Bev Basoglu	Sue Kiely	Min Kim
LuAnn McNabb	Carol Jasper	Shannon Jenkins
Vickie Francis	Joe O'Bryan	Laurie O'Bryan
Patty Dressel	Mark Richardson	Dale Rumberger
Penny Douskalis	Linda Nicklyn	Dana Cimino
Salma Ashmavi	Birgit Retson	Sjontelle Crocker
Al Schenick	Clair Girard	Heather Grayson
Becky Williams	Kathy Rutkowski	Octawa Crocker
Pam Grainer	Mary Ellen Anderson	Celeste Peterson
Bob Gift	Tammy Gift	Barbara Brunner
Nancy Bennett	Sandy McLeesh	Sharon Lewis
Dorothy Rupert	Judy Mattock	Jane Dryfuss

The October 2002 minutes were approved after correcting a spelling error and deleting the parent program notes.

The Treasurer's Report (Destiny Burns): \$20,285.87

The Committee Reports

The Westfield High School Plan is completed. It is a 50-page pamphlet. It will go to the cluster office first then to Dr. Domenich.

FCCPTA – (Lynn Terhar) FCCPTA has a very active legislative committee planning for the future. They are busy working to create a network to keep parents informed on what is going on. A Book Challenge Committee was appointed to review the 14 or 15 books that were challenged.

Academic Achievement - (Sue Kiely) There were 398 Students with 3.2 or above, 560 Students with 3.5 or above and 350 Students with 3.8 or above GPA's. Tuesday Nov. 26th will be the Academic Letter night for over 300 students with GPA 3.75 or above. On Friday morning, Nov. 22nd, at 8:40 there will be donuts in the cafeteria for all Honor students. The Science Honor committee would like \$25 to help with refreshments.

Reflections (Laurie O'Bryan) There were 50 entries: 1- Music composition, 27- Literature and 22- Visual Arts.

President's Report (Birgit Retson) a funding request from Deer Park Elementary School for the 3rd graders to come to Westfield. It was tabled to a later date. Needed more information.

Sophomore Ethics Seminar -- Lost funding. A motion was made by Al Schenick for the PTSA to give \$500.00 for the seminar. L O'Bryan seconded it. The motion passed.

A donation request was made for the FCCPTA Scholarship. A motion was made by D. Burns for the PTSA to give \$50.00 for the Scholarship and was seconded by D. Cimino. The motion passed.

The Westfield Community Coalition is planning a January Meeting for parents and students on teenage depression and suicide.

The Centewood Shopping Plaza – Holiday Promotion: \$500.00 shopping spree and a local school could win \$1,000 .00. It will be posted on the web site. Entries must be in by Dec. 6th.

The teacher and support employees of the year program – the nominees for the teacher of the year are due Dec. 3rd and for support employees due on Feb 28th.

Superintendent's Parent Advisory Council Meeting – They are looking at the GT center boundaries to consolidate and better utilize their resources. No GT center will be taken away.

The No Child Left Behind Act – the estimated budget is \$28 billion but they are only funding \$22.1 billion.

Birgit talked about different kinds of programs for up coming meetings for membership.

Principal's Report (Mr. Rumberger) 6 steel benches have been ordered to be placed outside for students waiting for late busses. 2 metal sheds have been ordered for the golf carts.

The WHS Band was selected last spring by the Virginia Music Educator's Association to be a clinic band working with a guest conductor, Carl Weiss (sp.), one of the best in the State.

The theater program was invited by the American High School Theater Festival to be nominated as one of 40 schools nationwide to attend a program in Edinburgh, Scotland in August 2004. They will perform with over 70 schools across the world. They would do a play, get critiqued and have a chance to critique others.

1304 students are on the Honor Roll, which is 48% of the student body. Mr. Rumberger will also implement a program to recognize the most improved student based on their interims. Their teachers would nominate them.

The Westfield football team won the first Concorde Division Title by beating Centreville 21-14.

Enrollment is at 2,727 and WHS just had 7 expulsions for drug related offenses.

The School Board is taking up the dress code as a policy review this Winter/Spring. WHS would like to have an honor system for dress code to make the students more responsible for their own actions.

The next WHS PTSA meeting is scheduled for Dec.19, at 7 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bev Basoglu, WHS PTSA Recording Secretary

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