



Westfield High School
General Membership PTSA Meeting
2006 - 2007
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DATE: February 22, 2007

CALL TO ORDER: By Jennifer Campbell at 5:30 P.M.

ATTENDEES:

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| Michelle Plymyer | Jodi Border | Mark Richardson |
| Tracy Porter-Carnahan | Alana Heng | Dana Cimino |
| Edie Walker | Michele Ford | Meg Crossett |
| Sue Kiely | Nancy Kruchko | Tim Thomas |
| Nadine Ranade | Suzanne Olijar | Jennifer Campbell |
| Aimee Lowry | Vijaya Gollomudi | |

MINUTES: Minutes from the last meeting of January 18, 2007 were approved as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Dana Cimino

PTSA Balance: \$ 16,826.17
ANGP Balance: \$40,177.07
5K Balance: \$ 6179.05

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Jennifer Campbell

Thanks to the Art Auction Committee for a successful event held on Saturday, February 10, 2007 at Chantilly National Golf and Country Club.

Chris Skinner program held on February 2, 2007 in spite of a delayed start. It was an excellent program, many compliments from parents, staff and students and hope he will be back again soon.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: Tim Thomas

- Student discipline issues - previous knowledge and arrangement with FCPD to coordinate.
- Initiatives:
 - Guidance Department - to prepare for next year: In-house electives fair - 4 sessions scheduled; AP information sessions after school; Course registration book - meeting with counselors for orientation of registration; Scheduling to improve matching of courses, less changes at the last minute
 - Principal's Cabinet - mandatory study hall for students, ~ 90 students to start, now 77 finishing, 51% showed increase in grades, most have had problems with math/science, using internal resources - honor society students to help tutor.
- Facilities: scheduled to complete renovations in the basement of the addition this summer; may be able to use portion this spring for AP testing.

- Snow Day: Make up day is scheduled for Friday, March 30; originally the first day of spring break
- Leonard Slatkin, Conductor of the National Symphony Orchestra will be coming to WHS on Tuesday from 9-11 to work with our students.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **ACE (Honor Roll) -Jodi Border:** 2nd quarter reception held this AM, 3rd quarter will be held in late April - ice cream, scholarship applications will be due April 30, available in the Career Center and online, discussion of coordinating a uniform due date for all the Booster scholarship applications.
- **ANGP -Tracy Porter-Carnahan:** Art Auction update - raised about \$2800, local dignitaries (school board and elected) supported by their presence and with purchases
- **5K Race - Laurie Horstmann:** Distribution of \$6000 as follows: \$2750 to PTSA; \$1250 to Music Boosters; \$1250 to Athletic Boosters; \$ 750 to Theatre Boosters was approved
- **BITS - Carol Jasper:** Need replacement Carol for next year, funded at 4-6 hrs/week.
- **Kid to School Connection - Meg Crossett:** 10 Valentine's Day Deliveries (balloons, etc) made to students and siblings
- **Minority Achievement - Mark Richardson:** meeting last night (2/21) to plan for March 14 Parent coffee involving students - "WHS: A student's perspective" inviting families from Rachel Carson and Stone middle schools. May will be the end of year BBQ, newsletter will be included in the next Watch Dog. A Hispanic student will serve next year as a liaison to the committee.
- **Newsletter - Michelle Plymyer:** next issue is ready
- **Parent Program - Nancy Bennett:** March 15 meeting will be Saturday Night in the Suburbs, coordinating with Holly Messinger for senior students to serve on the panel, will also invite families from the middle schools to attend.
- **Westfield Community Coalition:** starting a 5 year program "Parents Who Host, Lose" Chantilly HS to use our parent agreement letter for the directory as a model next year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Funding requests by faculty has been tabled until end of year finances are established.

NEW BUSINESS:

Nominating Committee: Volunteers are needed to serve on the nominating committee to identify officers and committee chairs for next year. Contact Jennifer if interested.

Fund-raisers: Discussion about future fund-raisers will be held at a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:30 for rescheduled Curriculum Fair.

Respectively submitted,
 Edie Walker
 Recording Secretary