

## WMS PTSA Board Meeting Minutes

August 7th, 2018dh

Meeting called to order by Ashley Self at 6:05pm

**In Attendance:** Ashley Self, Susan Norris, Gwen Dickerson, Elizabeth Kraske, Emily Bernstein, Amanda Viele, Jen Levow, Tanya Pomkoski, Shana Lentz, Alison Cleveland, Kristin Ball, Janet O'Toole, Natalie Castro-Miller,

Brief introduction of officers and committee personnel present.

**Approval of General PTSA Meeting Minutes:** June meeting minutes were motioned and approved

### Review of Financials

- Proposed 2018-2019 budget of \$59,835.00
- \$ 4000.00 allocated to gym floor improvements.
- We will not be participating in Spirit Nights this year due to lack of participation and minimal profit for PTSA.
- Discussed the possibility of having a "swag" table at open house, to have logoed items readily available for purchase.
- \$1000.00 dollars was allocated in new fiscal budget for proposal of purchasing magnets as an incentive to boost PTSA membership enrollment.
- \$400.00 dollars was allocated for use at Heritage Day held at WHS for purchasing of non-perishable snacks or other necessity items needed for this community event.
- Honor Roll and student recognition budget was increased but monies allocated here are also to be used for bulletin boards, display cases and wolf awards.
- Discussed possible increase in the cultural arts budget, will know more after September 6<sup>th</sup>.
- 8<sup>th</sup> grade shirts need to be ordered prior to the last quarter.

### Principal's Report

- Volunteers needed for first day packets need to be completed by August 22.
- Agendas are on "back order" and are not due to arrive until early September.
- Principle Cleveland proposed that WMS pilot a program called The Social Institute, which provides online education about social media. The Social Institute would partner with WMS and create focus groups with kids/ parents discussing feedback of the experiment. Proposed a November parent session in the evening to discuss the program and, then hold an assembly with 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders with further discussion and application of the program. March would begin the in class experience with pilot programs during wolf time once a week.
- Some of the benefits of the pilot program

We would be the first public school to participate.

No additional curriculum or work added to teachers

Teacher's students, parents and staff would learn how to use social media in a more positive way.

- The cost of the program is \$2500.00
- Discussed and approved using money from programs and moving \$500.00 from school improvements / technology to cover the outstanding balance.

### Teacher Report

- No updates

### Student Council Report

- No updates

## **Committee Reports**

### **Membership/Volunteers**

- 940 kids enrolled for 2018-2019 school year.
- Incentive for family memberships
- Increase incentives for kids and teachers STARS and gift baskets for most enrolled.

### **Fundraising**

- Yankee candle 09-11-2018 packets go home
- Fundraiser ends 09-26-2018

### **Beautification**

- Proposed a community clean-up day with stations, maybe later September when temperatures are more suitable.
- First entry way sign clean up, weeding and mulching.
- Pots by trailers that are broken removed and possibly replaced.
- Placement of pavers or stones in the barren patch by the fields, discussed a possible booster fundraiser for purchasing pavers and bricks.
- All contractors must be Wake County approved.

### **Cultural Arts**

- Training booking fair weekend 08-15-2018 will know more about opportunities and availability after this.
- Proposed dates for morning assemblies 02-15 and 03-15

### **Honor Roll**

- No updates

### **Wolf Award**

- No update

### **Book Fair:**

- No updates

### **Box Tops:**

- November 1 and March 1 submission dates.

### **Hospitality**

- Sign up for teacher breakfast 07-16-2018

### **Display Cases**

- Discussed setting up display cases to introduce teachers and teams.

### **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration/Dance**

- No updates

### **New Business**

- BAC advocacy 4 times a year our advocate is Roxie Cash.
- New assistant principle Jerry Griffeth will be joining the WMS team.
- Discussed best suited night for PTSA meetings, possibly switching from first Tuesday to First Wednesday...dates to be determined.

Meeting Adjourned