

12-11-2012 Board Mtg Minutes

Tuesday, December 11, 2012
6:00 PM

West Seattle High School PTSA Board Meeting

December 7, 6:15 pm

6:15 – 6:20 Check-In

- Attendees - Jen Shaughnessy, Amy Doll, Janet Wilson, Janne Endreo, Deni Mensing, Lisa Clark, Denise Lathrop, Tracy Burrows

6:20 – 6:25 Approval of Minutes

- November 7th meeting minutes will be approved at the January meeting

6:25 – 6:35 Auction Update

- One of the best events ever
 - Good advance notice
 - People were responsible to fill tables
 - Good freshman attendance
 - Good procurement, freshman parents (music parents!)
- Grossed \$43,000, \$3,500 for desserts alone.
- PTSA receives \$6,000 -7,000 in school supply dollars, a fair amount of revenue.

6:35 – 6:50 Classroom Grants – Application and counselor request

- The board agreed that higher priority will be given to long lasting requests above those that impact the greatest number of students. It was noted that IEP is a line item whose funding appears (and is funded) *each year* in the budget.
- Applicants submit requests until Jan 10, submissions will be reviewed at the Jan 17 board meeting.
- We have 8K to grant this year. Foundation contributions will increase the grant money that can be distributed.
- Edited application forms should be in the staff boxes by Monday, Dec. 17th.
- Deni Mensing will send out criteria for review. Janna Endreo will edit the application.

6:50 – 7:00 Review of PTSA and the Law (yearly compliance class)

- We are compliant with all regulations. A non-signer of WSHS PTSA checks should review the statement before the treasurer. The bank can send an online notice to a non-signer. Lisa Clark volunteered to review the online statements.
- Janne Endreo will be a signer to replace Amy Doll. Amy will continue to make deposits. Signers must be elected officers.

7:00 - 7:10 Finance Report

- Pumpkin sales receive a Boeing matching grant. We have more pumpkins to sell.

7:10– 7:20 Arts Event Status

- The event is Friday, April 5th. There is a planning meeting tomorrow.
- Arts West volunteered to curate the event. Rob Roy will be the guest artist.

7:20 – 7:30 January PTSA Meeting Agenda

- The next meeting has the following guest speakers.
 - Betty Hoagland - topic is BEX levy
 - Carmela Dellino and Marti McLaren - topics are student assignment plan impacts to WSHS and continuity of principals.
- Possible topics for the speakers include - the STEM feeder school, boundary changes both north and south, BEX discussion, continuity of principals, teacher/counselor positions lost unless we attract local students beyond the Madison population. How do we keep our High Schools on an even playing field?
- Tracy will provide topics of discussion to the speakers in advance of the meeting.
- Janne Endreo will get us some facts on student projections.

7:30 – 7:35 Grad Night Status

- Fundraising has been successful. Momentum to sign up should pick up after the New Year. Our contract is for 60 kids.
- We need to transition the leadership of this commitment for next year.

7:35 – 7:45 Direct Giving Appeal

- Media used for the direct giving appeal includes - YouTube video, Westside Weekly article, West Seattle Blog article. The City Year corps tutors did the video for the auction. Lisa Clark and Janet Jones will participate.

Other Business

- The WSHS is not participating in the Reflections program this year. The Annual Arts event may be a better venue for the students to be recognized for their artistic merit. We can evaluate Reflections participation for next year.
- We need to recruit for next year's board.
- Paul Savino and Peter McCue, WSHS wood shop and auto shop teachers, had a great presentation at the last meeting. Math and computer skills are a requirement for technical education careers such as industrial design.
- 160 families came for 8th grade family night. Amy works with the Instructional Council to promote these events.
- We can suggest items of improvement for upcoming work to our campus grounds (landscaping, sidewalks, etc.)

Meeting adjourned at 8:39PM. The next Board Meeting is January 17, 2013.