



**General Membership Meeting Minutes
Issaquah High PTSA 2.6.45
Issaquah High School Main Conference Room
June 5, 2015**

Welcome and Call to Order – Anne Watanabe and Cyn Baumert

The meeting was called to order at 9:41 am. A quorum was present and proper notice was given. An attendance sheet is filed with these minutes.

President's Report - Cyn Baumert & Anne Watanabe

Year End wrap-up/Thank yous –

Cyn thanked special project chairs: Sandi for creating the logo; grant committee; honor cords, library hours, Security updates (Ami M); Anne for working on the art collection; Tricia J on test preps

Cyn recognized the following “graduating PTA moms”: Betsy Cohen, Ellen Dieken, Diane Bugge, Marilyn Evans, Tabitha Mayes, Chris Fischer, Anne Moore, Maureen Walsh, Dawn Hanner, Karen Starcevich, Kim Dreiblatt, Lori Foreman

Recognition of Outgoing Presidents – Becky Gordon

Cyn and Anne were presented framed photos of Kendall Lum's 'Issaquah High School' sketch.

Recognition of Office Karin Weihe – This is her last meeting with us. Kendall Lum presented her with a framed sketch of Issaquah High School. IHS PTA has made a donation to the school's scholarship fund in her name. She was also given a lifetime IH PTA membership.

Secretary's Report – Ellen Dieken

Minutes from the May GM meeting were prepared and presented by Cyn Baumert (sitting in for Ellen who was absent). The minutes will be filed as presented with one correction: meeting location was in the main conference room.

Funding Request – Cyn

Andrea McCormick has asked if PTA would be able to fund \$2500 to be used to help pay summer school fees for kids in the Start Strong Program. There are a bunch of juniors that need one or two classes to graduate next year. Each PTA local unit gives the district \$500 for covering 50% of the tuition for the summer school class. The remainder of the tuition is \$185.72. Admin has

asked us to cover the rest for these students. We agreed to pay \$137 per student, the student will pay \$50 and must get a C or better to receive the funds. If they get below a C, the student will be assessed a fine to cover the tuition.

Motion #1: Becky Gordon made a motion that we approve \$2500 for funding Summer School for IHS students. Seconded. Discussion. Voice Vote. Motion Passes.

Grant Requests – Onti Rosen

Steinway Piano – (Mr. Longman) for \$5000

Why Steinway? We have a state of the art theater, it will last forever, sounds great, will attract great artists. They have been fundraising all year. They had asked us earlier for the money but we told them to come back to us when they are closer to the total (80-90 K). They have located a used piano in Oregon for 71K and includes free dollies and no tax out of Oregon and it comes with free delivery. To date, they have raised about \$55-56K. They have asked ASB and Boosters to donate funds and Andrea will give some building funds for it. There is 16K left to go and they think they will probably get this by June. Also, the last concert proceeds will be given to this fund. He came back to us and asked if we can give the 5K this year. ASB has already given 8K and are thinking that they can give 2500 more.

Motion #4: Dawn Hanner made a motion that we increase the grant budget by \$2746.03 and fund \$5000 for the grand piano grant proposal. Seconded. Ballot Vote. Motion passes: 22 Yes, 2 No.

Nuclear Detector for Chemistry classes (Kelly Henry) for \$1250

ISF was not able to fund this because STEM funds are for supporting clubs, not classrooms. So we are revisiting this. Grant committee highly recommends we fund this grant.

Motion #2: Jody Mull made a motion that we approve the \$1250 for the nuclear detector for Ms. Henry's chemistry class. Seconded. Ballot vote. Motion passes 22 yes; 0 no.

Treasurer's Report/Budget – Dianne Burdette

- The May Financial Report is filed with these minutes. If we approve the funding requests from today we would have about \$37,000 left to spend (leaving about \$25,000 in reserves).

Motion 3: Dianne B made a motion to increase our Credit Card Fees budget from \$2750 to \$2900. Seconded. Voice Vote. Motion passed.

- Proposed Budget for FYE 2016 –
Discussion about proposed budget resulted in the following changes/corrections

New to IHS night: committee was hoping to do a little more with this event; will increase line item from \$500 to \$750 (instead of proposed amount of \$1300).

Heathy student support – they are changing what they are doing for this, adding some things. We will increase this line item from \$2500 to \$4000

VIS – we have always given \$1000/year; this is a bond year and the committee felt like we needed to give more; increase this line item from \$1200 to \$4000.

Motion #5: Anne Moore made a motion to approve the proposed budget. Seconded.

Anne W made a motion to amend that we leave the VIS at 1200. No second.

Ballot Vote. First motion passed: 19-Yes; 1-no

- Chris Fisher reviewed the April and May bank statements.
- Bank Signatories 2015-16 – Becky Gordon, Bertina Loeffler Sedlack and Diane Burdette (removing Tricia Jerue and Anne Watanabe).

Special Guest – Issaquah Press – “The Beat” – Kathleen Merrill (Managing Editor)

She thanked everyone for supporting this column. The project was started about 6 years: Once per month, full page, teen page. Written and published by teens, for teens and about teens. They run 4 features. Skyline, Issaquah, Liberty and Eastside Catholic. 3-4 students from each school are involved in the project. Topics covered: driving, suicide, drugs and alcohol. She is asking for our continued support. Kids have to apply to get one of these positions; they start advertising in the spring.

Committee Reports

Senior Celebration – Tabitha Mays/Maureen Walsh

Everything is ready to go.

Baccalaureate – Ami Maron

Kids have to be there at 6:15; no caps in church but bring them for pictures.

Healthy Student – Ami Morin

Creating a document on student safety and security. Looking for suggestions as what to include.

ISH Administration Updates

Principal – Andrea McCormick

They have rec'd 22 scholarship applications for summer school. She wanted to congratulate Jody for her district award. She thanked everyone for all of their help with events over the years. Thanked Cyn and Anne for their dedication this year serving as presidents. Staff updates: she will be sending a comprehensive list of departures and additions for next year in the next week. She gave a brief summary of how teacher evaluations work.

ASB Advisor – Erin Schiermeyer

She offered an auction item that didn't get used for Village Theater. Sold for \$150. Spread the Word campaign was completed. Senior vs staff softball game was a huge hit. Staff won 9-8. 8th

grade BBQ night is on Monday, June 8th from 5-7th. Please spread the word. Looking for suggestions on how to revamp the transfer student program.

Resource Officer – Karin Weihe

Prom went overall pretty well overall with not too many problem. Diego (new SRO) – has spent time in some of the health rooms.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:05 pm.

Cyn Baumert (filling in for Ellen Dieken),

IHPTSA Secretary

