

Issaquah High PTSA, Unit 2.6.45

May 11, 2012

Issaquah High School

Proper notice was given to all members – a quorum was present.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Call to Order and Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 9:32 am.

President's Report (Karin Allen and Lisa Gaan):

- Acknowledgements:
 - Sally Brunette, Kim Dreiblatt, and Lisa Sacia were thanked by Karin and Lisa for organizing Staff Appreciation this year.
 - Karin acknowledged the Washington State PTSA Convention attendees, this year there were six representatives from IHS.
 - AP Proctors were thanked for their participation.
 - SAT/ACT Readiness Program chairs Tina Weber and Margaret Chalfant were recognized for their contributions.
 - HSPE Snack provider Karla Greer and Awards Chairs Christy Garrard and Kellie Woodford were appreciated for their assistance.

- Announcements
 - The time is at hand to begin the PTSA transition process. Current board members and committee chairs were asked to compile a synopsis of their position's functions and to create a document detailing the job for inclusion in the committee notebook. Chairs are asked to have at least one face-to-face meeting with their incoming successor to provide training and background on the program. Chairs are asked to complete this prior to the final meeting.
 - The final IH PTSA meeting and luncheon will be held on June 8. Email will be forthcoming with potluck requests/information.
 - There is still one remaining Chair position open for the 2012/2013 school year – Senior Baccalaureate. Chair Karen Starcevich estimated that the position requires 20 hours of planning, coordination and management. Please contact Karin or Lisa if you are interested.

- Awards
 - All members who nominated educators for consideration of the Outstanding Educator Award were thanked for participating in the awards process.
 - The Outstanding Educators for 2012 were Tim Baynes, Buddy Bland, Bill Bistriz and Carrie Borcharding.

Secretary's Report - Cyn Baumert:

- Dianne Bugge moved to accept the minutes as presented, the motion was seconded and passed.

Treasurer Report -Laura Freeman:

- Laura presented the April financial statements.
- Kim Dreiblatt had reviewed the financial statements and found them in order.

- The majority of outstanding checks have been issued. This is the time to submit any outstanding check requests. Forms are located on the PTSA website.
- Boeing issued a matching donation check in the amount of \$825 which was both unexpected and greatly appreciated.
- Laura provided detail on the budget and financial report. Currently there remains approximately \$10,000 in surplus which may be allocated to special funding requests.
- Blair Baumer presented information regarding amending next year's budget to include a contract between PTSA and the ASB covering Fashion Show revenues now and in the future.
- Blair Baumer made a motion that the special funding line item be increased by \$10,000. Motion seconded, discussion, motion passed.
- Blair Baumer made a motion to add a line item for the ASB donation in the amount of \$3,500. Motion seconded, discussion, motion passed.

Old Business: Special Funding Update

Josh Moore presented information on the Special Funding grant made by the PTSA earlier in the school year for the purchase of iPads. All equipment arrived and the lab was up and fully functioning in February. The equipment includes seventeen iPads, sync tray, Macbook, Pico projectors and software applications. In terms of implementation, Josh initiated an alpha and beta phase where logistics and the lab were tested. Student usage of the equipment resulted in 450 unique profiles being tracked. His class of twelve students uses the equipment on a daily basis. The ISD is closely observing Josh's progress as they are simultaneously exploring the utilization of iPads in the district. In the future Josh plans to coordinate with other teachers to book the iPads for classroom use. Josh thanked the PTSA and commended their leadership in funding a new and innovative program which has helped expedite the adoption of new technology directly into students' hands and the school.

New Business:

- Incoming 9th Grade Family Night will be held June 6 from 5-7pm. This event will include a barbeque and many volunteers are needed. Please contact Lisa Gaan for additional information.
- New to Issaquah High night is scheduled for August 29. Be on the lookout for information as to how you may contribute to making this a successful event. Contact Lisa Gaan if interested in participating.
- Special Funding Request – a grant request from the Science department was distributed to the membership prior to the meeting for review. Teacher Tricia Vannoy requested funding of \$4,046.04 for 32 textbooks and a lab refill kit for the new Forensics class. Two sections of the class have been funded by an ISF grant, however due to student interest a third section was added which is need of funding. 102 students requested this elective.
- Anne Moore made a motion that \$4,100 be approved for use to fund the science grant. Motion seconded, discussion, motion passed.
- Baccalaureate Chair Karen Starcevich provided an update on the program. The event venue, Eastridge Church, is assessing a \$300 facility usage fee this year. In

- previous years no rental fees were issued and therefore this year's budget did not include funds to cover this amount.
- Vicki Hahn moved to increase the Baccalaureate budget by the amount of \$300 to cover the facility rental cost. Motion seconded, discussion, motion passed.
 - Discussion was held regarding the Senior Celebration Committee's fundraising efforts. Karin would like to engage committee chairs from all Senior Events to work together to define how funds are allocated and coordinate efforts in coming years. In particular, these discussions should take place during the upcoming transition meetings prior to June 8.
 - A request for consideration was made by a Beth Donahoe on behalf of The Academy for Community Transition, ACT, based at Tiger Mountain Community High School. ACT is designed to assist students with developmental disabilities move towards the most independent lifestyle possible. The focus is on community-based employment experience including social skills and the development of real world vocational skills. ACT is always looking for local business contacts able to offer job shadowing, job training or other vocational opportunities. If you are able to provide assistance or are interested in this program, please contact Beth Donahoe directly. Her contact information may be found on the following website - <http://www.issaquahptsa.org/about-us/>. Due to time constraints, further discussion about ways in which IH PTSA might assist this program was tabled until the June meeting.

The general membership meeting was adjourned at 10:40am.

Call to Order of Board of Directors Meeting: Karin Allen called the Board of Directors to order at 10:41am.

Committee Reports

- Fashion Show –the 2013 Fashion Show will be held in the spring. Committee Chair Pat Batt asks that anyone with connections to fashion retailers who wish to participate please contact her directly. A call for volunteers will be made in August. The suggested date was determined to have conflicts, so the committee will investigate other options. The membership requested that feeder school calendars be considered to limit scheduling conflicts prior to finalizing the date. Auditions for 60 models (40 female, 20 male), two MCs and a Production Assistant will be held in the fall. Juniors and Seniors are encouraged to participate.
- Senior Scholarship Chair Cyn Baumert announced the recipients of the PTSA Senior Merit Scholarship Award, recognizing students who exemplify school spirit, academic achievement and service to the IHS Community: Delaney Foreman, Anna Magidson, Amelia Meigs, Akash Ramachandran, Stephen Rawlings and Nicholas Ryder.
- ISF Liaison Blair Baumer reported that the Nourish Every Mind luncheon was the most successful yet, raising \$650,000 for the Issaquah Schools Foundation.
- Reflections Chair Wendy Logan presented a synopsis of what is required to run the program. Karin Starcevich stepped forward to Chair the committee next year.
- Karin presented on behalf of Special Services Chair, Sandra Lum, extending a thank you from the Special Ed community for the LRC grant that was approved by the membership.

- PCMS Parent Ed representative Julie Siefkes invited the membership to attend an upcoming session on the topic of Cyberbullying to be held at PCMS on June 4 from 7-8pm. The speaker will be victim advocate, Stefanie Thomas with the Seattle Police Department Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.
- Karin's request for volunteers to serve on the Financial Review Committee to be led by Onti Rosen and conducted in mid-July was answered by Chris Fisher and Anne Watanabe.
- Incoming PTSA President Blair Baumer announced that General Membership meetings will be held on Thursdays next year.

Issaquah School Resource Officer – Karin Weihe

Karin Weihe, the Issaquah School Resource Officer (S.R.O.) is assigned to the IHS campus to ensure a safe environment for students, school personnel, and the visiting public. The SRO strives to deter criminal activity on campus and be accessible to students to create a positive relationship as well as act as a mentor. The S.R.O. provides education to students on a wide range of topics and acts as liaison between the Police Department, school administrators, and the public. In particular Officer Weihe has a presence in the health classes which include extensive student Q&A. In June a drug recognition expert will join Office Weihe in the health classes.

Principal's Report - Paula Phelps

AP testing was the focus during this week of school. The new electronic reader board will be activated on May 21. Sports teams are finishing up their season with many favorable results. Issaquah High had 35 National Merit Scholar finalists this year. Paula also reminded parents that as the weather gets warmer and the end of school nears there are more dress code infractions on campus. Transgressions, not surprisingly, involve exclusively girls whose outfits -while acceptable in social situations - may be inappropriate for school. Parents are the best resource in encouraging their children to maintain a suitable environment for learning, with regard to the dress code.

Paula was appreciative to the PTSA membership for their support during this school year and to Lisa Gaan and Karin Allen in particular for their dedication and efforts over the past few years in creating such a collaborative relationship.

Parent Ed – “Cyberbullying” June 4, 7-8pm at Pacific Cascade Middle School
Incoming 9th Grade Family Night – June 6, 5-7pm Issaquah High School

Final PTSA Meeting and Luncheon – June 8, 2012

Meeting adjourned at 11:39