

# Issaquah High PTSA 2.6.45 General Membership Meeting IHS Main Conference Room

# **Our PTSA Mission**

To expand educational opportunities and enhance the learning and social environment at IHS through programs, volunteers, advocacy, and financial support.

**Call to Order** Bertina Loeffler Sedlack called the meeting to order at 9:31 am and led introductions. Proper notice of the meeting was given and a quorum present. A sign-in sheet is attached to the original minutes.

# **President's Report** (Bertina Loeffler Sedlack and Diane Burdette)

**Thank You** Bertina shared thanks to the following committee chairs and volunteers: Victoria Evans for her collaboration with Tori McBride for Mental Health Awareness Month; Marni Kilzi and Rebecca Fay for selection and presentation of the Outstanding Educator awards; Margaret Chalfant, Ginger Wilfong, Patti Miller, and Diane Burdette for attending the ISF Breakfast; Leslie Guajardo and Jen Crewe for organizing the New Family Ambassador social; Ginger Wilfong, Robin Hodder, Sara Carmichael, Suzanne Prouty, Liz Rudolph, and Diane Burdette for handing out water and candy at the Color Run; Diane Burdette for hosting the Board and Committee Chair Appreciation event; Ami Maron for work on the Be True posters and 500 chocolate bars for prom as part of the Positive Community Norms campaign; Sally Feldman for driving upcoming Senior Events and meeting with next year's chairs, and Patti Miller for assisting with Senior Events finances; Liz Rudolph and Trina Davis for organizing Senior Farewell; Anne Watanabe for creating the Senior Farewell slideshow; Stacy Eastern and Deena Eastern for arranging the Senior Breakfast; Deena Rahm and Stacy Eastern for spear-heading the successful, inaugural Graduation Pride signs fundraiser; Robin Hodder and volunteers working the IHS PE 5K; Ginger Wilfong and Stacy Heller for a year of themed meeting snacks including June's Busy Bee Time Flies.

# **Secretary's Report** (Sara Carmichael)

The May 2017 minutes were reviewed, approved as submitted, and filed.

**Outstanding Educator** Rebecca Fay announced the IH PTSA Outstanding Educators for 2016-2017: Kevin Houghton, Kelly Henry, and Rodney Harris. Marni Kilzi and Rebecca, along with three students who nominated the teachers, presented the awards at the May 17 staff meeting. The teachers very touched by the students' heartfelt comments.

# **Treasurer's Report** (Patti Miller)

Patti Miller presented the May 2017 Financial report. She also reviewed Grants paid out this year.

#### Budget

Patti noted that the Budget Committee met in May to determine next year's budget and highlighted significant changes to income and expenses.

**MOTION 1** Patti Miller moved to approve the proposed budget for the 2017-2018 year. The motion was seconded. After discussion the motion was voted upon. The motion carried.

# **Other Financial Business**

- The May 2017 bank statements were reviewed by Margaret Chalfant, an independent non-signer.
- No insurance claims were filed in May 2017.
- Bank Signers for 2017-2018 are: Diane Burdette, Pamela Krueger, and Patti Miller
- The fiscal year ends in June. Get receipts in and cash your checks.

#### Business

**Issaquah PTSA Council** Diane announced an information session titled "What Every Parent Wants to Know about the ISD" will be held Friday, June 9 at Apollo Elementary beginning at 6:30pm.

#### **Election of Co-President**

A candidate for the open position of Co-President has stepped forward. Bertina Loeffler nominated Pamela Krueger to serve as Co-President. The motion was seconded. With no other nominations from the floor and no objections, Bertina announced the nominations for Co-President closed. The nomination of Pamela Krueger was voted upon.

Pamela Krueger was duly elected as Co-President for 2017-2018.

**Committee Chair Positions** Diane displayed a list of "What IH PTSA does," PTSA programs and events categorized by students, staff, parents/volunteers, and community. Diane highlighted open committee positions. The most critical position to fill is VP Communications. Contact Diane or Pamela if interested.

**Thank You** Bertina shared special thanks to the outgoing Board of Directors, Committee Chairs, and Volunteers.

**Special Recognition for "Senior" Members** Bertina expressed thanks to Sally Feldman; Margaret Chalfant, Liz Rudolph, and Ginger Wilfong for being exemplary IH PTSA members and volunteers as they move on from IHS. Bertina presented Anne Watanabe an IH PTSA Honorary Life Membership for her countless contributions during her tenure with IH PTSA. Diane thanked Bertina for her leadership and service to IH PTSA and shared many of Bertina's accomplishments and accolades.

**Committee Chair Program Evaluations** Diane requested that committee chairs complete the program evaluation forms and send them to Diane as soon as possible.

#### **Committee Reports**

**Advocacy** Dea Barnett highlighted some of the education related bills being discussed in the Washington State Legislature.

Dea reminded everyone to take the bell times survey asking parents and students about sleep and schedules. The same survey will be conducted the same time next year to help evaluate the new later bell times.

The next ISD Board meeting is Wednesday June 14. Dea plans to attend and thank Superintendent Thiele for making the bell time change.

#### Programs

**College Test Prep** Birgit Aarrestad shared plans for SAT and ACT preparation for next year. They are also looking to create more opportunities for taking practice tests.

**Grants** Margaret Chalfant summarized the Grant process. There were three grant cycles resulting in eight grants that totaled about \$20,000.

**Angel** Anne Watanabe spoke about the impact the Angel program has at IHS. She shared examples of Angel support, volunteer time and effort, and donations. Angel served 110 total students.

**Healthy Student** Ami Maron described the Be True efforts for Prom: Candy bars labeled with Be True and a poster with the message "Make this a Night to Remember, Not a Night to Forget."

A survey will be conducted on June 13 at lunchtime to measure the reach of the Be True program have the students seen the signs around campus, do they buy in on the data, what other ideas do students have.

IH PTSA is still looking for a chair for the Influence the Choice/Positive Community Norms role.

**Mental Health Awareness** Victoria Evans shared that IH PTSA is working in partnership with IHS regarding Mental Health Awareness, and the school is very appreciative of the support.

### Events

**Senior Events** Sally Feldman announced the Senior All Night Party head count is about 265 students. Five more chaperones are needed for the event. Sally met with next year's co-chairs yesterday. Shared thanks to Liz Rudolph, Margaret Chalfant, and Patti Miller for their help with Senior Events.

Stacey Eastern and Deena Rahm showed a Graduation Pride signs being sold as a fundraiser for Senior Farewell. They sold about 100 signs (15 more are available). The graphics design class created the design. Stacey is planning for Graduation Pride signs to be available for purchase in the fall during registration.

**PE 5K** The Spring PE 5K is June 2 beginning at 9:55am. They are expecting 650 runners. Requests for volunteers have gone out.

#### Communications

Valerie Yanni noted that the newsletter is coming out soon. Get articles in by Tuesday June 8. Valerie also emphasized the need to fill the VP Communications position.

**Issaquah Schools Foundation** Valerie Yanni thanked all who attended either the luncheon or breakfast. The two events tallied \$766,000.

#### Hospitality

**Staff Luncheon** The Staff Luncheon is June 15. Hospitality duties transition to Rebecca Fay for the Fall.

#### Speakers

**Andrea McCormick, Principal** Andrea McCormick noted an E-News will be sent out with reminders about social hosting. • Andrea gave a high-level description of what administration has planned for the Week of Welcome.

**Pat Castillo and Laura Smith, Issaquah Schools Foundation, Influence the Choice** Pat Castillo and Laura Smith, on behalf of Influence the Choice, recognized Ami Maron for leadership, communication, and organization in her contributions and efforts to the Be True campaign.

**Neil Lasher, IHS Campus Security** Neil Lasher commented on the following topics: IHS Security continues to deal with "standard" marijuana and alcohol issues. • Fights have died down. • Officer Turner is at SWAT training. • Parents can be held liable for alcohol at teen parties (Prom, graduation, summer, etc...).

Bertina officially (and literally) passed the baton to Diane.

# Adjourned 11:30

Next Meeting: September 15, 2017 9:30 am IHS Main Conference Room