

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

April 20, 2018 9:30 am

#### **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** Diane Burdette called the meeting to order at 9:30 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** (Diane Burdette and Pamela Krueger)

**Accomplishments and Thank Yous** Diane Burdette presented a slide show highlighting recent events and accomplishments and thanked those involved in planning and leading the efforts.

**PTSA Council Report** Pamela Krueger summarized Superintendent Ron Thiele's presentation at Council. He spoke about the various efforts to build, remodel, and acquire land for new schools; a report on citizenship and responsible use of social media; and district efforts to hire seven (7) new health counselors.

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

The March 2018 minutes were reviewed, approved with no changes, and filed.

### Treasurer's Report (Patti Miller)

Patti Miller presented the March 2018 Financial report.

Patti noted the following items:

- No insurance claims were filed in March.
- The March 2018 bank statements were reviewed by Blyth Claeys, a non-check signer.
- The website renewal and online directory were paid.

**Sophomore College & Career Exploration Day** Diane Burdette introduced a request from Charolett Henderson to provide refreshments for 10-12 adult presenters on April 30 for the Sophomore College & Career Exploration Day.

**MOTION 1** Onti Rosen moved to increase the Hospitality budget by \$250.00 for the IHS Sophomore College & Career Exploration Day event. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and approved.

**Senior Scholarships** Diane Burdette reported that Senior Scholarships received 55 applications. The budget accommodates five - \$1,000 scholarships. The number of applications this year far exceed anything from past years. With the increased interest, should the number of scholarships be increased?

**MOTION 2** Onti Rosen moved to increase the Senior Scholarship budget from \$5,000 to \$8,000 to allow eight - \$1,000 scholarships. The motion was seconded, voted upon, and approved.

#### **Business**

**Election of IH PTSA Officers for 2018-2019** Secretary Sara Carmichael read Article 5 Section 6 of 2017-2018 WSPTA Uniform Bylaws. Onti Rosen, chair of the nominating committee, read aloud the report of the committee and announced that all candidates meet the requirements of the WSPTA Uniform Bylaws. Onti Rosen places the following names into nomination for the following offices:

Co-President	Pamela Krueger
Co-President	Wendy Marucheck

Treasurer	Blyth Claeys
Assistant Treasurer	Elizabeth McIntyre
Secretary	Kristin Brennock
Co-VP Hospitality	Nicole Garcia
Co-VP Hospitality	open
Co-VP Events	Sara Carmichael
Co-VP Events	Victoria Evans
Co-VP Programs	Lisa Bishop
Co-VP Programs	Valerie Yanni
Co-VP Communications	Tracie Jones
Co-VP Communications	Satnam Purewal

The signed report was handed to President Pamela Krueger and the committee was thanked for its work.

Co-President Diane Burdette asked for nominations from the floor for president. Co-president Pamela Krueger asked for nominations from the floor for treasurer, assistant treasurer, secretary, vice president hospitality, vice president events, vice president programs, and vice president communications, in turn. There were no additional nominations from the floor and no objections. Pamela Krueger declared the nominations closed.

Because there were no additional nominations from the floor, Co-President Pamela Krueger declared the Officers for IH PTSA 2018-2019 duly elected.

**Budget Committee** The following people were named to the Budget Committee: Pamela Krueger, Wendy Marucheck, Patti Miller, Blyth Claeys, Elizabeth McIntyre, Valerie Yanni, Jamie Beck, and Diane Burdette.

**Designated Check Signers** For the 2018-2019 school year, effective July 1, 2018:

Remove Patti Miller and Diane Burdette as authorized signers to the IH PTSA accounts.

Add Blyth Claeys, Pamela Krueger, and Wendy Marucheck as authorized signers to the IH PTSA accounts.

**Washington State PTA Convention** The annual Washington State PTS Convention is May 18-20, 2018 in Vancouver, WA. Let Diane Burdette or Pamela Krueger know if you want to go and represent IH PTSA as a voting delegate.

#### **Committee Reports**

**Membership** Kim Wilkinson reported current membership of 1,424, one membership short of our goal. Faculty membership is 64. She will focus efforts on increasing staff membership next fall.

#### **Hospitality**

**Staff Appreciation Week** Rebecca Fay reported that Staff Appreciation is May 7 through 11 and will check in with Christy Otley, Staff Appreciation Chair.

#### **Events**

**Senior Events** Wendy Marucheck announced dates and times for the following senior events:

Senior Breakfast, June 15, 10:30 a.m.

Graduation Rehearsal, June 15, 11:30 a.m.

Senior Farewell, June 15, 7:00 p.m.

Graduation, June 18, 5:00 p.m.

All-Night Grad Party, June 18, about 9:00 p.m.

Wendy also noted that scholarships are available for the All-Night Grad Party. More information is available on the IH PTSA web site.

**College Planning 101** Wendy Marucheck talked about the upcoming College Planning 101 event on Monday, April 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the IHS Theatre. Sally Fouché will present an overview of the college planning process. The event is free for IH PTSA members and \$25.00 for non-members.

# Communications No Report

#### **Programs**

**Be True** Katie Moeller, Special Projects Coordinator for Influence the Choice, thanked officer Dave Turner for his involvement in the Hidden in Plain Sight event held recently at IHS. This program will continue yearly. • Katie also spoke about the Be True presentation for Freshmen and Sophomores coming up on May 16. She also plans to address IHS staff in the fall and present the Be True message to incoming freshmen classes. • The Influence the Choice Video Contest just closed. Winners will be announced at a ceremony at IHS on Tuesday, May 1 at 6:30 p.m. They received 39 videos created by over 100 students. • Katie recapped the State of Mind Conferences. • Influence the Choice is in the final stages of becoming a 501C3 organization. • Katie would like IH PTSA to discuss surveying members to get parents' opinions about student drug and alcohol use (kids report not knowing how parents feel).

**Reflections** Jamie Beck reported on the recent Washington State Reflections judging. IHS student, Ben Eskanazi's photography entry has been selected to advance to the National Reflections competition.

**Senior Scholarships** Kristen Allen Bentsen and Mary Adkins reported receiving 55 applications for the IH PTSA Senior Scholarships. The committee will meet April 23 and April 30.

**Parent Ed** Dea Barnett followed up on the Mask You Live In screening. She gets the sense from viewers that there needs to be further discussion. The Mask You Live In is available on Netflix.

**Community Service** Pamela Krueger recapped the Community Service component of Eagle Day. She estimates close to 1,800 students came through during the day. 37 volunteer organizations were represented. Next year, IH PTSA will be given time during three Core Flex sessions to educate students about volunteering and the Community Service program. Pamela shared thanks to many parent and student volunteers. Full list of volunteer organizations will be on the IH PTSA website eventually. May 1 is the deadline for Seniors to report volunteer hours.

**Angel** Jamie Beck reported that Angel held a shopping day in March. They also provided 40 "Bags for the Break." Tuxes and Tiaras, a shopping event focused on formal wear and accessories, will be held May 4 & 5 at Our Savior Lutheran Church (OSLC). The event is open to all seniors regardless of need. Dresses, tuxedos, accessories, and monetary donations are needed. Tuxes and Tiaras is presented in conjunction with Liberty HS, Skyline HS, Issaguah Food Bank, and OSLC.

**Healthy Student** May is Mental Health Awareness at IHS. Victoria Evans is working with Tori McBride, teen health counselor, and Hanine Castro, IHS Counselor, in support of the scheduled activities. Each week will focus on a theme (Physical Wellness, Relaxation and Stress Management, Kindness to Self and Others, Suicide Prevention, and Gratitude and Mindfulness). Jamie Beck also noted that the water bottle fill station was not installed over spring break due to staffing issues. The station is expected to be installed in the next month.

**College Test Prep** Jamie Beck noted that the last ACT/SAT Combo Practice Test of the year will be held May 19.

**Grants** Grant requests for IH PTSA funds are due today. The grants will be voted on at the May GMM.

# **Speakers**

Neil Lasher and Officer Dave Turner Officer Turner addressed recent activities including fielding questions from students about 4/20 and marijuana, the anniversary of the Columbine school shooting and nationwide walkout, and the recent after school lock down. About the lockdown, Officer Turner noted that the response was successful and officials learned from it. In the future, Police will notify the gun range when IHS and/or IMS are in lockdown. The gun range will shut down during the duration of the lock down. Neil Lasher noted that IHS is piloting a new program from the same company that produced the current visitor badge system, which IH PTSA purchased. The intent is to implement a system district-wide.

Andrea McCormick, Principal The old bus loop has been striped with 29 new parking spaces. IHS was able to accommodate all seniors not selected in original parking permit lottery and additional staff. Additional accessible parking will be added near the stadium entrance. • Andrea noted that the district is adding safety vestibules to all schools that don't already have them. After 8:00 a.m. all outside doors would lock and visitors would enter a door that routes them directly through office. The project for IHS is still in the design phase. • The new course selection process (workshop style) was very successful. Higher percentages of students completed course selection and fewer students changed their schedules after the viewing period. • Administration is looking at building time into the school day to accommodate a variety of needs including whole child activities, assemblies, and student needs such as meeting with teachers. A majority of IHS staff is supportive of this approach. Details are still being worked out before the plan will be announced through e-News.

# Adjourned 11:21

**Next Meeting:** May 11, 2018 9:30 am IHS Main Conference Room