



Issaquah High PTSA 2.6.45 General Membership Meeting

February 11, 2022
9:30 AM

Via Zoom

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 Kim Wilkinson called the meeting to order at 9:31 AM

Proper notice of the meeting was given and a quorum was present.

In attendance: Kim Wilkinson, Tracy Drake, Wendy Cummins, Heidi Fuhs, Karissa Mobilia, Tara Moe, Chanju Lee, Stephanie Smithson Chan, Dale Sande, Julie Gamble, Shamitha Sridharan, Lauren Bartholomew, Molly Dorr, Lisa Small, Cristine Varzali, Amy Korb, Tracie Jones, Kendra Gallagher, Margaret Pfeifle, Natasha De Los Reyes, Sathya Kannan, Wendy Maruchek, and Kurtis Evans.

President's Report (Kim Wilkinson, Birgit Aarrestad)

- Thanks to:
 - *Monthly Staff Breakfasts* - Heidi Fuhs and Kristin Brennock
 - *Monthly Principal Meeting* - Kim Wilkinson and Birgit Aarrestad
 - *ParentWiser* – Wendy Cummins
 - *SAT/ACT Practice Tests* – Tracy Kinsley and College and Career Planning
 - *Grants* – Cristine Varzali, Wendy Cummins, Tracy Drake, Carolyn Kennedy, and Emily Arteche
 - *Senior Events* - Kristen Allen-Bentsen, Natasha De Los Reyes, Stacey Eastern, Keri Kiefer, and Melia Wilkinson
 - *Outreach Power Packs/Angel Closet* - Karissa Mobilia and Julie Gamble
 - *Career Planning Webinar* – Tracy Kinsley, Kim Wilkinson, and College and Career Planning

Secretary's Report

- January 14 minutes filed with edits.

Treasurer's Report

- January 2022 financial results.
 - Income: Membership Dues, Pass the Hat (exceeded goal), Matching Funds, Salmon Days Parking
 - Expenses: Student Food Fund, All Night Grad Party, Angel Donations, ACT/SAT Mock Tests

- Bank statements have been reviewed by Kaiyu Yan
- Mid-year financial review results
 - Completed by Wendy Cummins and Kaiyu Yan
 - Overall everything looks very good
 - Suggestions
 - PTSA should evaluate inventory and inventory tracking.
 - PTSA should consider establishing clear, written procedures for account user names and passwords.

Committee Reports

Programs

- Grants - Grant Committee met and recommend the following grants:
 - LRC Social/Communications Lunch Group (\$600)
 - Building Aluminum Map Rails (\$1,803.03)
 - Pug Mill for Ceramics (\$3,800) - 50% funding, IHS will fund the remaining
- **Motion 1:** Karissa Mobilia moves to approve the LRC Lunch Group grant for \$600 as presented. Motion was seconded. Motion passes.
- **Motion 2:** Shamitha Sridharan moves to approve the Map Rails grant for \$1,803.03 as presented. Motion was seconded. Motion passes.
- **Motion 3:** Wendy Maruchek moves to approve the Pug Mill grant for \$3,800 as presented. Motion was seconded. Motion passes.
- Reflections - Reception on March 3 at IHS
- Community Service Program - for students earning 100+ volunteer hours; submitted through website link: <https://issaquahhighptsa.org/Page/Pta/Community%20Service> - 32 seniors have met 100+ hours so far
- SAT/ACT Mock Tests - 85 attendees
- Senior Scholarship - communication will be out soon - due date for submissions is 4/18

Outreach

- Angel - thank you to response to recent request
- New Family Ambassadors - Capri Cellars event on 3/19
- ParentWiser
 - Screenwise: An Updated Perspective on Tech Use - 2/16 at 7:00 via Zoom
 - Register at www.parentwiser.org up to an hour before event
 - Recordings of past events can be found at www.parentwiser.com

Events

- Senior Events
 - Senior Breakfast - 6/8
 - Graduation - 6/9 at 8 PM
 - Senior Party - All Night Grad Party on 6/9 - tickets on sale now
 - Will follow all Covid protocols.
 - Early bird tickets will be \$199 until 3/4; \$250 afterwards
 - If event unable to hold the event, 90% refunds will be issued.
 - Scholarships can be requested at ihptsafamilyresources@gmail.com (confidential)
 - Senior Farewell - date TBD
 - Senior social media: IHS Class of 2022 PTSA Communications (FB) and ihs2022updates (IG)

Hospitality

- Staff Appreciation Week - 5/2-5/6
 - If anyone is interested in co-Chairing, please reach out to Laura Schmidt or Kendra Gallagher: ihptsahospitality@gmail.com

- Monthly Staff Breakfasts - sign up to donate
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1oyuPbAOBzgLARFYMDvxtATknAM4nUNIFXNzZscdMemc/edit#gid=2036888818>
 - 2/16 and 3/16 are next dates
 - Looking for co-Chair for next year

Membership

- Family Memberships - 445 family memberships - goal is 500
- Staff Memberships - 36 staff memberships
- Total Members - 820
- Membership Cards come with benefits - usually sent out within 2 weeks of joining - if you feel you did not receive your membership card, reach out to Wendy Cummins: ihptsamembership@gmail.com
- Looking for members for a Membership Review Committee. Purpose is to review current membership offerings and to make recommendations to the Board. One - two meetings in March. Please reach out to Wendy Cummins if interested ihptsamembership@gmail.com

Business

- **Issaquah Schools Foundation**
 - Academic Grants - open to all ISD K-12 students - \$500 to help pay for tuition and/or academic assistance/tutoring - deadline 2/14
 - Impact Scholarships - open to ISD juniors and seniors - \$1,000-\$1,500 - deadline 2/28
 - Apply for grants or scholarships at isfdn.org
- **Issaquah PTA Council**
 - Council supports 26 PTAs in the Issaquah School District
 - Superintendent speaks at each meeting
 - Superintendent search - posted in January for 8 weeks - School Board is holding stakeholder group conversations - hope to interview final 2 candidates in late March
- **Levy votes** - will have a representative from VIS (Volunteers for Issaquah Schools) at our next General Membership Meeting on 3/11
- **Open Positions** - Please reach out to PTSA Presidents if you are interested in helping out - ihptsapresidents@gmail.com
 - Staff Appreciation Week (co-Chair)
 - Healthy Student
 - Volunteer Coordinator
- **Awards** - Golden Acorn, Outstanding Advocate, and Outstanding Educator - nominations forms will be available on the PTSA website in March
- **Nominating Committee** - reach out to ihptsanominationcommittee@gmail.com
 - 3/8 virtual event to learn more about Issaquah High PTSA and the PTSA Board

Speaker - Kurtis Evans, ASB Director

- Spirit Week begins 2/14
- TOLO Week - last week in March - Project Unify Basketball Game
- TOLO on 4/1 - at IHS
- Class Council working on fundraising - merchandise sales - funds benefit prom
- HOBY Conference - 60 nominees - 25 submitted essays - will send 4 sophomores
- ASB elections - interest meetings - 23 candidates for 5 positions - elections take place on 3/8 for executive board
- Robotics has upcoming competition - if qualify, will go to Houston
- DECA sending 113 students to State
- National Honor Society collecting supplies next week for Eastside Baby Corner
- MLK presentation was held in February

- Parent suggestion to post on Facebook as well as Instagram
- Parent suggestion to define events (TOLO for example) so that families who did not grow up here understand what the events are and what happens at them
- **Upcoming IH PTSA Events**
- Feb 16, Staff Appreciation Breakfast
- Feb 17, 9:30am Issaquah PTSA Council GM Meeting
- Feb 21, Presidents Day - No School
- Feb 22-25, Second Winter Break - No School
- Mar 2, IH PTSA BOD Meeting
- Mar 10, 6:30pm ISD School Board Meeting
- Mar 11, 9:30am IH PTSA General Membership Meeting
- Mar 15, 6:30pm Capri Cellars Monthly Mixer
- Mar 24, 9:30am Issaquah PTSA Council GM Meeting
- Mar 24, ISD School Board Meeting
- Apr 6, IH PTSA BOD Meeting
- Apr 7, 6:30pm ISD School Board Meeting
- Apr 11-15 Spring Break
- Apr 15, 3rd Round PTSA Grant Applications Due
- Apr 19, 6:30pm Capri Cellars Monthly Mixer
- Apr 20, Staff Appreciation Breakfast
- Apr 20, 7pm IH PTSA General Membership Meeting
- Apr 28, 9:30am Issaquah PTSA Council GM Meeting
- Apr 28, 6:30pm ISD School Board Meeting
- Jun 9, 8pm Class of 2022 Graduation
- Jun 9, Class of 2022 PTSA All-Night Grad Party
- Jun 17, Last Day of School

Adjourned 11:02 AM

Next Meeting: Friday, March 11, 2022, at 9:30 AM via Zoom

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Drake