



Issaquah High PTSA 2.6.45
General Membership Meeting
Hybrid Meeting

May 17th, 2024
11:05am

Our PTSA Mission

The IH PTSA strives to expand educational opportunities and enhance the learning and social environment at Issaquah High School, through programs, volunteers, advocacy, and financial support benefiting all Issaquah High School students, families, and the community.

In Attendance Wendy Maruchek, Linda Stone, Erin Eaton, Heeyoung Chung, Janey R, Jean Shan, Julie Gamble, Melissa Valdez O'Connor, Qun Pan, Shamitha Sridharan, Tracy Drake, Karissa Mobilia,

Call to Order

Wendy Maruchek called the meeting to order at 11:05am. Proper notice of the meeting was given and a quorum (minimum 10 members) was reached. Meeting documents were posted to the IH PTSA website.

General Business

Wendy welcomed attendees and gave a brief outline of the agenda and guest speakers.

- Thanked various people by name:
 - Thanked Spring Grants Committee; named on slides
 - Thanked Golden Acorn and Outstanding Educator Committee; named on slides
 - Thanks Staff Appreciate Breakfast committee; Qun, Chandana, and others named on slides
- Board Position Opportunities
 - Wendy will be coming back as Treasurer next year.
 - Looking for a Secretary for next year.
 - Need VP of Events; responsible for chairpeople of committees – needs to be an organized person
- Volunteer Opportunities
 - Red safety backpack restocker
 - New family connections planners
 - Grants chairperson

- Picture day chairperson
- Junior parents to run All Night Graduation Party
- Senior Events Volunteer Opportunities
 - Senior farewell cookie reception
 - All night grad party chaperones (junior parents would be great!)

Wendy announced the consent agenda items and called for a motion to adopt.

- April GM Meeting Minutes
- April Financial Reports

Motion 1: Erin Eaton moved to adopt consent agenda items as presented. Seconded by Tracy Drake. Motion passed.

Awards Chair Shamitha Sridharan, recognized Julie Gamble for receiving the Outstanding Advocate Award. Karissa Mobilia was recognized for being a recipient of the Golden Acorn Award.

Elections of Board of Directors

The ***WSPTA Uniform Bylaws, Article 5, Section 6: Officers and their election***, was read aloud by Linda Stone. Nominees were read aloud by Erin Eaton.

Wendy announced nominees for each position by name and asked for other nominations from the floor. Without objections, nominations were considered closed.

Nominees:

For co-President:	Nicola Doyle
For co-President:	Tanya Russell
For Secretary:	OPEN
For Treasurer:	Wendy Maruchek
For Assistant Treasurer:	Beibei Luan
For co-VP of Programs:	Tracy Drake
For co-VP of Programs:	Bata Schell
For co-VPs of Events:	OPEN
For co-VP of Communications:	Maggie Ge
For co-VP of Communications:	Anny Zhang
For co-VP of Outreach:	Heeyoung Chung
For co-VP of Outreach:	Esther Choi
For co-VPs of Hospitality:	Qun Pan
For co-VPs of Hospitality:	Jean Shan

Motion 2: Erin Eaton moved to accept the nominees as a slate. Seconded by Julie Carr. Motion was voted on and passed.

The 2024-25 PTSA Check Signers shall be:

1. Nicola Doyle
2. Tanya Russell
3. Wendy Maruchek

Wendy thanked 2023-24 check signers by name.

2024-25 Proposed Budget

Erin Eaton led the discussion about next year's budget, and called out each budget line item for committees.

- Expect to carry over reserves in the Capital One account.
- Budget is largely the same as this year. We typically don't spend our full budget, and are intentionally trying to spend the funds so that they are benefiting our community.
- Bumped up budget from \$3k to \$4k for Staff Lunches and Staff Appreciation Week
- The budget will be adjusted in late August for a more accurate forecast, and will be voted on again at the first PTSA General Membership Meeting of the school year. This initial budget approval enables the PTSA to spend money over the summer.

Motion 3: Tanya Russell moved to adopt the 2024-25 Budget as presented. Since this was by committee, no need for a seconder. Voted on and motion passed.

Erin noted that under this year's senior events, we carried \$5k. The committee made some strategic moves to make these events more accessible to more students, including reducing ticket prices and offering scholarships for attending the events. Erin would like to move \$2k from the Senior Farewell program budget line item and \$1k from the "other senior events" line item to the Senior All Night Party line item to help cover expected costs.

Motion 4: Erin Eaton moved to reallocate \$2k from the Senior Farewell program budget line item and \$1k from the "other senior events" line item to the Senior All Night Party line item to help cover expected costs. This is a net zero impact to the Senior Events Budget. Tracy Drake seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and passed with no objections.

Guest Speaker: Leah Hernandez, Assistant Principal

Leah greeted the attendees and introduced herself.

Upcoming events and dates to be aware of:

- Confirmed that senior finals are June 6th, 7th, 10th, and 11th (1/2 day)
- Invites went out yesterday for senior awards, which will be on May 29th.
- The graduation meeting is this week, students were provided a checklist that needs to be reviewed by parents.
- Prom is on June 1st
- Ceremony Ticket and Cord Distribution is on June 4th

- Mandatory Graduation Practice on June 12th.
- Graduation is June 17th.
- Last Day of School is June 18th.
- June 19th is a holiday; admin offices will be closed.

AP Testing: 1,178 students took AP exams, a total of 2,570 exams were taken

IMS is adopting a no cell phone policy next year;

- Silenced and stowed in back pack upon entering school and must remain off and stowed until final bell. May not be in pockets.
 - Includes phones, earbuds, smart watches, etc.
- Parents can contact office if they need to get in touch with student during school day.
- Discussed remedies for violations of this policy
- IHS teachers have not taken a vote on whether or not to look into adopting this policy as well
- Attendees gave a variety of opinions and anecdotes on this topic

Discussion ensued about how to better communicate to parents to ensure they are getting information.

Close Out Comments and Committee Updates

Wendy quickly reviewed some remaining slides at the end of the deck, and closed out the meeting with a farewell until next year.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Stone, Secretary