

Issaquah High PTSA 2.6.45 General Membership Meeting January 11, 2019 9:30 am

**IHS Main Conference Room** 

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# **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**: Pamela Krueger/Wendy Marucheck 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** (Pamela Krueger and Wendy Marucheck) reported the following information:

- Thanks to committee chairs and volunteers for Staff Breakfasts and December Angel Bags all names are attached.
- Three WA State PTA competitions/Scholarships coming up kids can enter. All three are on WSPTA website: The 3 state level contests kids can enter are; (1)Senior scholarship essay offering (3) \$3000 scholarships and (1) \$1000 scholarship to graduating seniors, (2)game development competition students write a game. (3) Men Making a Difference Essay, about a male role model that has had a profound impact on their life. Winners get to talk about the person who is important to them. All can be found on the WSPTA website. Register and finish by March.
- State convention is at Seatac Hilton this year. April 26-28. Please consider attending. There are many classes/trainings to attend.
- ASB report: Ms. Henry diagnoses with breast cancer. Attached page has updates on ASB activities.
- Update from the Regional PTSA council meeting: Pamela state PTA clarified that as local pta we should not be doing any fundraising with cannabis organizations.

- Lisa Callan leaving school district as of January 24th. If you have interest in participating as a school board member. There is an opportunity.
- Focus Day in Olympia Feb 11th. We would like to send members, especially kids, to see how educational policy made. Good opportunity to see inside Legislature.

# Secretary's Report (Kristin Brennock)

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

# Treasurer's Report (Blyth Claeys)

Blyth Claeys presented the December 2018 Financial report. Blyth noted the following items:

- Income: 6492.51, expenses: 13,171.43, ending cash: 109,394.08
- Membership is still down. Short \$1975. Pass the Hat has exceeded our budget along with Corporate Matching. We paid out for the Senior All Night Grad Party and for Angel program.
- The December 2018 bank statements were reviewed by Elizabeth McIntyre.

#### **Business**

Election of officers for the 2019-2020 school year will be held in the spring at the general membership meeting. A nominating committee of three members shall be elected to identify nominees for the board of director positions. The Nominating committee needs to be three people. The members need to have been a PTA member for 30 days prior to serving on the committee. Names put in for nominations to be on the Nominating committee are Nicole Garcia , Tracie Jones , Satnam Purewal. The motion was seconded, voted upon and approved.

### **Committee Reports**

**Membership-** Kim Wilkinson still down a bit. About 100 members short of our goal. There is going to be a flyer sent out highlighting second semester events put on by the PTSA. The Directory rolled out and is available to members online.

### Hospitality

**Staff Breakfast:** Nicole Garcia reported everything is running smoothly. The next breakfast is scheduled for Feb 6th. There have been plenty of volunteers for breakfasts.

#### **Events**

**5K PE** Wendy Cummings- The run is scheduled for Jan. 15th. Currently have 4 volunteers. More are welcome if interested.

**Senior Grand Night Party** Diane Burdette- 40 people have sign up since Jan 1. The numbers are now up to 120 paid students, 6 scholarship requests. 300 is the goal. They have currently have broken even with current payments. Diane is going to come to schools on Wednesday to publicize to Students.

#### Communications

Satnam Purewal asked to be sent information about the WA PTSA scholarships and contests so she can publish to social media.

### **Programs**

Angel -Valerie Yani: December and January are busy months for Angel. The program gave out Coats and grocery gift bags. Thank you to Diane Carol and Julie Schaller for volunteering. Thank you to those who donated. Break bags continue to be distributed so kids have food over the weekend. Angel room moved to RM 130.

**Reflections** - Leah Gibson and Kristen Allen-Bensen: IHS had their reception Nov. 16th, 2018. We sent 12 finalist on to district. The district reception is Tuesday Jan 15th, 2019 at IHS. State reception is also at IHS on April 20th, 2019. Finalist will be announced on Tuesday. National Reflections on Facebook will have a presentation of last years theme on Jan 22nd, 2019.

**New Family Ambassadors** Valerie Yani (reporting) Rebecca Fay and Amber Chairs - two new families who registered. They heard about the program through Jennifer Marbut, counseling secretary. Upcoming events are listed on the back of the agenda. There is a Coffee with Principal Wednesday Jan 16th, 2019. Working to get information out to new families.

**Parentwiser** Heidi Fuhr - There are a lot of upcoming events. Information attached. **Teen Vaping:** Feb 4th 7:00-8:30 pm at IHS. Free attendance for everyone, parents of grades 6-12.

**Hidden in Plain sight**: At Maywood middle school - March 4th 6:30 pm. At Skyline HS April 2nd 6:30pm. For parents only of grades 6-12.

**Like - Film Documentary**: Student culture of social media presence and pressures. Playing at all three high schools. All showings are for parents & Students ages 10+ (except for March 29th showing) Liberty HS March 25th 7-8:30 pm, Issaquah HS March 27th 7-8:30 pm, Skyline

HS March 28th 7-8:30 pm, Issaquah HS March 29th 9:40-10:30 am for IHS students. For students only

**Reduces Academic Stress without Sacrificing Achievement** Monday May 6th, 7-8:30 pm at Skyline High school. For parents of K-12

**Family and community engagement**: The purpose of the committee is to try to reach out to communities with a barriers to participating. Barriers such as culture, working, etc. Upcoming event is Feb 2nd 1-4:00pm. A celebration of Lunar New Year in Sammamish. Location: 120 228th ave NE. Working to promote more Family and Community Engagement events.

**Grants:** Patti Miller: Winter grant due date Jan 18th,2019. Currently have 2 grants, but if anyone would like to submit a grant please do. We will vote on proposed grants at the next General Membership meeting Feb 15th, 2019.

**Healthy Student and Be True**: Victoria Evans updated. Mental health awareness week would like to support. The committee is pleased to see Parentwiser is supporting issues they were concerned with. Would like input about issues parents are concerned with so they can work to create events that can address concerns.

**College and Career Planning:** There were 72 students in November taking practice tests. 50 students are registered to take the Feb 2nd test. Will make a push to have more students sign up. Looking for help for Feb. 2nd. Volunteer would need to be at school 8:30 am, checking students in. Hunnington does all the proctoring. Jamie Beck chair

Community service Program: We are not hosting an event this year. Nest time has made it logistically challenging to perform signature event. In the past they have had gym full of community service members who were available all school day and students could visit. It is hard to recruit for multiple days. Working to create a program for next year. Students who log 100 hours since 8th grade get graduation cord. The deadline for getting hours recorded is May 1st, 2019.

Golden Acorn/Outstanding advocate: Marni Kilzi - Nicole garcia, Elizabeth McIntyre, Blyth Claeys, and Heidi fuhs have volunteered to be on the committee. The committee will meet Feb 25th, 2019. Could use one more member if interested. Please submit forms even if you don't have all the information. Deadline for turning in submissions is Feb 17th, 2019. Nominations are open until midnight.

ADD/ADHD event: February 2, 2019 9:00 am - 12:30 pm: ADD/ADHD - Connecting Our Community. Featured speakers; Dr. Carrie McMillin and Caewyn Barnett. RSVP by Jan. 31, 2019 at Eventbrite.com.

**ISF**: Sara Carmichael - There are Impact scholarships available. Due date for submission Feb 15th, 2019. Tell how an ISF grant has helped them. There is a Parent Ed maker night at Gibson Ek. February 6th, 2019 dining for kids at Tanoor, May 3rd ISF Luncheon, May 14th ISF Breakfast more information coming.

# **Speakers**

**John Lindner**: Addressed Lockdown from December. It was a verbal threat. There was no weapon. School decided to carry on with the day.

Andrea McCormick: Ready to talk about lockdown and schedule for 2019-2020 transition. Any questions about lockdown? Can we have Metal detectors at the door? That is a district decision and people can email the district. It is not a building decision. However, research doesn't support having them. Dave Montalvo is the District Directory of safety. He would be responsible for that decision. About the student taken into custody, Is he back at school? Can't speak to specifics of this case, but general district policy has pretty strict action. There is a detailed interview with student, parents and police and make recommendation on whether to take student back onto campus. There is a risk assessment process. The school did do a debrief with students which Andrea found most helpful. The kids came up with good suggestions. Kids suggested practicing lockdowns not just during class time. Kids also wanted an overview of what would happen when police come on campus in such a situation. Suggestion for a visual alert in addition to PA announcement and lockdown tones.

Schedule update: Next year IHS will have 7 periods. There will be a component of NEST time. How many days and where has not been decided. IHS will have a modified block, 3 days all 7 classes, 2 days will have block classes. Still figuring out how IVision will work, how many days it will occur. For sure schedule will be posted to website in April. Update on Nest time for next year staff will use Flexy Schedule so students will have to check in even on choice days. Students who are Failing will be assigned to go see teachers. February kids and counselors will have course selection meetings durning Nest time. Counselor and administrator. 1)Will have video about how schedule will look next year. 2) will be about all the choices they have to make in their schedule. Parents will get a reminder of the grad recs. 3) window of time to go in on line at home and put request into Skyward. IHS will higher about 15 more teachers next year.

**Neil Lasher:** Campus Security - he has worked 16 years with IHS. Question: Is Juuling getting any better? No. They are hard to catch. The use is quick. Suggest talking with students as much as possible. Proud to say that the check in Id system at IHS is now district wide.

Adjourned [11:35]

Next Meeting: February 15, 2019 9:30 am IHS Main Conference Room