



Issaquah High PTSA 2.6.45  
General Membership Meeting  
IHS Main Conference Room

May 11, 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 9:39 a.m. 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*)

Diane Burdette highlighted recent events and the volunteers associated with the events including Christy Otley and Mary Denkenberger for Staff Appreciation Week, board members who staffed a table at the ASB 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Night, Wendy Maruchek with assistance from Patti Miller and Tracie Jones for the College Planning 101 seminar, Rebecca Fay for hospitality assistance for a College and Career Center event, Jamie Beck for leading the Grants process, Mary Adkins and Kristen Allen-Bentsen for chairing the Senior Scholarship committee, and Patti Miller and Blyth Claeys for leading the budget discussions.

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

The April 20, 2018 minutes were reviewed, approved with no changes, and filed.

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

Patti Miller presented the May 2018 Financial report.

Patti noted the following items:

- There were no insurance claims filed in April.
- The April 2018 bank statements were reviewed by Blyth Claeys, a non-check signer.

**Budget** Patti Miller reported that the budget committee met on Friday, May 4, and she presented the proposed budget. The 2018-2019 budget needs to be approved to allow the IH PTSA to spend money after June 30, 2018, when the current budget ends.

**MOTION 1** The Budget Committee moved to adopt the proposed budget for 2018-2019. The motion was voted upon and the budget was approved.

**Business**

**Senior Scholarship Presentations** Mary Adkins and Kristen Allen-Bentsen co-chaired the Senior Scholarship committee. Mary shared information about the Senior Scholarship application and selection process. The committee received applications from 54 students and chose eight to receive scholarships of \$1,000.00.

The IH PTSA 2018 Senior Scholarship award winners are Nick Harang, Chirasmita Kompella, Lauren Rosen, Elsa Bean, Meghan Obernberger, Callie Mejia, Jordan Wallace, and Trevor Mele.

**Grants** Jamie Beck reported that the Grant Committee met, reviewed the submitted grants, and are bringing six grants to the membership. To have money available to fully fund all six grants, the Grants budget was increased by \$500.00 at the May 2<sup>nd</sup> Board of Directors meeting.

**Grant Proposal 1—French Scholastic Book Magazines (green ballots)**

Jamie Beck presented a grant request for \$300.00 for the purchase of subscriptions to French Scholastic Book Magazines, Ça Va and Bon Jour, which will provide authentic reading exposure for

students in all French classes. The grant was submitted by Andrea McCormick. Additional information was provided by French teacher Veronique Silverman.

**MOTION 2** The Grant Committee moved to approve the grant for up to \$300.00 for the Ça Va and Bon Jour magazine subscriptions. After discussion, a paper ballot was taken.

Teller's Report: Ballots Cast: 15      Votes For: 15      Votes Against: 0  
Abstentions: 0      The motion passed.

**Grant Proposal 2—CycleOps Fluid Bike Trainer (brown ballots)**

Jamie Beck presented a grant request for \$420.00 to purchase a CycleOps Fluid Bike Trainer (plus skewer and B lock) for use in Chemistry, Physics, and AP Environmental Science classes. The trainer can be used to demonstrate energy transfer. The grant was submitted by Andrea McCormick with input from an AP Chemistry Teacher.

**MOTION 3** The Grant Committee moved to approve the grant of \$420.00 for the CycleOps Fluid Trainer. After discussion, a paper ballot was taken.

Teller's Report: Ballots Cast: 15      Votes For: 15      Votes Against: 0  
Abstentions: 0      The motion passed.

**Grant Proposal 3—Issaquah Speaks Scholarship (orange ballots)**

Jamie Beck presented a grant request for \$500.00 for Issaquah Speaks Scholarship prizes. The grant was submitted by Deon Lillo, IHS ASB President. Issaquah Speaks, scheduled for June 7, is a TED Talk -like event for the IHS student body. The prizes are to create interest and incent students to participate. The money will be distributed for three awards: 1<sup>st</sup> Place \$250, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$150, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place \$100. Prizes are for individual speakers based on a rubric.

**MOTION 4** The Grant Committee moved to approve the Issaquah Speaks grant in the amount of \$500.00. After discussion, a paper ballot was taken.

Teller's Report: Ballots Cast: 15      Votes For: 15      Votes Against: 0  
Abstentions: 0      The motion passed.

**Grant Proposal 4—ELL US History Textbooks (lilac ballots)**

Jamie Beck presented a grant request for \$1,000.00 to acquire ELL US History textbooks. The grant was submitted by Andrea McCormick.

**MOTION 5** The Grant Committee moved to approve the ELL US History textbook grant for up to \$1,000. After discussion, a paper ballot was taken.

Teller's Report: Ballots Cast: 15      Votes For: 13      Votes Against: 2  
Abstentions: 0      The motion passed.

**Grant Proposal 5—Stationary Bikes (blue ballots)**

Jamie Beck presented a grant request of up to \$2,000.00 for the purchase of two stationary bikes. The bikes would be used by injured and disabled students in PE to complete mandatory curriculum requirements. The grant was submitted by Andrea McCormick.

**MOTION 6** The Grant Committee moved to approve the Stationary Bikes Grant for up to \$2,000. After discussion, a paper ballot was taken.

Teller's Report: Ballots Cast: 15      Votes For: 14      Votes Against: 1  
Abstentions: 0      The motion passed.

**Grant Proposal 6—Calming Kits (yellow ballots)**

Jamie Beck presented a grant request for \$200.00 to purchase Calming Kits that will be available in Counselor and Admin offices for anxious students as they talk with administrators and counselors. The request was submitted by Andrea McCormick.

**MOTION 7** The Grant Committee moved to approve the Calming Kits grant in the amount of up to \$200.00 After discussion, a paper ballot was taken.

Teller's Report: Ballots Cast: 13      Votes For: 12      Votes Against: 1  
Abstentions: 0      The motion passed.

**Committee Reports**

**Advocacy** Dea Barnett is working to get therapy animals on campus during high stress times for students. There are district restrictions that prohibit animals on campus. The ISD, IHS, and the school

board need to hear from parents and students that therapy animals can contribute to student mental health and meet educational needs.

**Membership** Kim Wilkinson reported that IH PTSA met its membership goal as membership reached 1,426. Kim will be meeting with Cathy Foote regarding the directory process for next year.

### **Hospitality**

**Staff Appreciation Week** Diane Burdette shared thanks to Christy Otley and Mary Denkenberger for their planning and putting on a great Staff Appreciation week.

### **Events**

**Senior Events** Wendy Maruchek noted that Senior Events is still looking for a Junior Chair. Diane Burdette volunteered.

**PE 5K** Wendy Maruchek announced that the PE 5K is Friday, June 8. Participation in the 5K is required of all current PE students.

**College Planning 101** Wendy Maruchek reported that about 125 people attended the College Planning 101 event presented by Sally Fouché. Wendy expects to hold this event again in the future.

**Emergency Backpacks** Ami Maron described what is involved with the Emergency Backpack/ Bucket program. The IH PTSA volunteer for this project works with Cathy Foote.

### **Communications**

**Information Channels** Satnam Purewal noted that PTSA information is going out in newsletters and social media.

### **Programs**

**New Family Ambassadors** Valerie Yanni announced the End-of-Year Coffee will be Tuesday, May 22, 10:00 a.m. at Leslie Guajardo's home. Rebecca Fay and Amber Zielinski are the co-chairs for next year.

New to IHS night is August 28, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Spread the word and invite new families.

**Reflections** Jamie Beck announced that Issaquah High student Ben Eskenazi is a National Reflections winner. He will be invited to and recognized at the June 8 IH PTSA General Membership meeting.

**Mental Health** Victoria Evans gave a brief update on Mental Health Awareness Month activities.

**Parent Ed** Heidi Fuhs announced upcoming ParentWiser events featuring Dr. Laura Markham. Peaceful Parent, Happy Kids will be presented in the Skyline HS Theatre on May 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Peaceful Parent, Happy Siblings will take place at First Stage Theater in Issaquah on May 17, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. These presentations are recommended for families with children from Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **Speaker**

**Erin Connolly** Erin expressed thanks for all the teacher appreciation activities and goodies. Erin announced that the ASB board for next year has been elected and their planning has begun. Next year, Erin will be an assistant principal. Kelly Henry will take over as activities director. This year's TOLO dance had over 650 students, the largest dance of the year. DECA is presenting the Mr. Issaquah contest on Friday, May 18. The Multi-Cultural Fair is scheduled for May 22. Seniors can pick up caps, gowns, and cords on May 24. The list of seniors who earned cords will be posted next week. Seniors will have a week to follow up. Senior Prom is June 2.

Erin also announced that Homecoming is September 29. There will be no Winter Formal next year. TOLO will likely be in March or April. Senior Prom is the first Saturday in June.

### **Miscellaneous**

**AP Study Guides** Ami Maron will talk to the Dean of Students about possibly collecting gently used AP study guides and making them available to students next year.

**AP Proctoring** Valerie Yanni just got an email asking for volunteers to proctor AP tests next week.

### **Adjourned 11:15**