

Wake Forest High School PTSA Meeting
Feb 16, 2023 6:00 in media center and Zoom

- I. Attendees (Karin Kuropas, Melanie Gambone, Jodi Stalfire, Stacey Robinson, Kim Bailey, Jeanette Hartog, Gina Haines, Chrissy Hedrick, Jen Rudolph, Amy Reigle, Kristy Dominique, Larissa Moore):

II. **Discussion Items**

- A. Call to Order/Welcome/Introductions - Karin Kuropas
- B. Principal's Report - Ms. Patti Hamler
1. Students are beginning to register for classes for next year. Student Services met with all students by grade level to discuss registering for 2023-24 courses. Students will meet with their counselor during their 4th period classes from Feb 27-March 31st.
 2. Too many tardies to school in the mornings. We will pick up on sweeps next week!
 3. Monday is a vacation day.
- C. Staff Update - Mr. Tacito George - no report
- D. [December](#) and [January](#) Meeting Minutes

Motion to Approve made by: Melanie Gambone

Seconded by: Stacey Robinson

In favor: 12

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion Passes/Fails: Passes

- E. Budget/Financial Report - Jodi Stalfire/Larissa Moore

[January 2023 Budget](#)

- F. Upcoming events:

Feb 16* - PTSA meeting in Media Center at 6:00 (date moved due to BAC conflict)

Feb 20 - newsletter submissions

1. Mar 1 - Newsletter Distributed

Mar 13 - PTSA meeting in Media Center at 6:00

Mar 15 - Spirit Night at Culver's 5 - 8 pm

Mar 20 - newsletter submissions

III. **Committee Reports**

- A. Advocacy - Jennifer Rudolph (need shadow)

- No update

B. Audit - need chair

1. No update

C. Communication

1. Send all communications notes to Newsletter, Social Media, Website and PTSA.WFHS@gmail.com
2. Newsletter - Amy Reigle
 - a) January Newsletter distributed
 - b) March 1 deadline - February 20 - *all committees please try to report something for the newsletter- anything you send to Amy at amynreigle@gmail.com*
3. Social Media - Melissa Gilmore
 - a) Keeping up with PTSA news (advocacy, grants, meetings, ..), school information and other relevant items. If you have upcoming posts, please email them to me at melissagilmore13@yahoo.com. I can schedule stuff to go out in advance for both Facebook and Instagram.
 - b) #MindfulMonday posts - last post was Mon 2/6 as I am out of photos. Need new photos from Jen Rudolph.
 - c) Let me know if I should put information about considering PTSA board and committee positions in next month's PTSA meeting notice.
4. [Website](#) - Karen Mallo
 - a) Updated web page with hospitality pictures. Please send (or add to PTSA google photos account) any other pictures you want added. Looking to add a Wellness page and add the Mindful Monday posts. Looking for suggestions, content, and other ways to boost visits.
 - b) If there is anything you would like added from your committee, please email tkmallo95@gmail.com. If you are sending something to Melissa for posting on FB page, please copy me as well. We want to stay consistent!
Thanks!

D. Fundraising

1. [Cougar Challenge](#) - OPEN - executive officers covering
 - a) Cougar "One and Done" forms -There are still small amounts coming in ,we are at almost \$2,500 so far this year.
 - b) The Women's Club is sending a \$200 donation to us

2. Retail Rebates - Lisa Poplawski/Heather Weidner
 - a) Harris Teeter - we have 330 people linked and have earned \$1149 so far in the school year.
 - b) Lowes Food - no update
 - c) Publix - There is a check that just came
 - d) Amazon Smile program ended in Mid February

3. Spirit Nights - **OPEN** (Melissa Gilmore covering)

a) PDQ	09/21/22	5-8pm	20%	\$175.00 earned
Culver's	10/19/22	5-8pm	10%	\$225.29 earned
Dairy Queen	11/17/22	4-9pm	10%	\$101.00 earned
MOD Pizza	12/14/22	10:30am-10pm	20%	\$66.74 earned
Culver's	3/15/23	5-8pm	10%	
<u>\$568.03 Total Earned 2022-23</u>				

- b) Spirit night is scheduled for Wednesday, March 15th at Culver's from 5-8pm. We will earn 10% of ALL sales. I will start advertising next week.
- c) PTSA should have received all checks for the spirit nights listed above.
- d) Juniors are hosting another spirit night for us in April at Chipotle, and we will help them advertise.
- e) Considering doing a spirit night in May at Jeremiah's Ice over by Heritage High School.

4. Giving Tree - **OPEN**

Double credit on Monday and Tuesday.
News update on Friday.

E. Hospitality - Melanie Gambone

1. Hospitality was able to provide an early pizza/salad/dessert dinner for our teachers and staff on Curriculum night/Meet the Teacher on the 9th.

F. Membership - Stacey Robinson

1. 227 members

G. Nominating Committee - Melanie Gambone

1. Still looking for Spirit Nights LEAD, Advocacy Shadow, Senior Events LEAD, Audit, OFFICERS FOR NEXT YEAR

H. Scholarships - Tracie Matthews and Maggie are vMolpus

1. Application window closed Feb. 1, 2023. We received 34 applications! Essays have been anonymized and shared with Essay judges. They will return their scores to the Scholarship

Committee by March 31. The Scholarship Committee is scoring applications so essay score + application score = total score (potential 100 points).

- I. Senior Events - **OPEN** covered by Karin Kuropas
 - 1. Senior Events meeting TONIGHT. **To be discussed:**
 - a) Yard Signs (March - April) -It looks like we need to sell the signs at \$12 for pre-orders,after if any extra \$14
 - b) Third Quarter Report Card Treats on April 14
 - c) Senior Picnic on May 25
 - d) Baccalaureate on June 4
- J. Staff and Club Grants - Kim Bailey
 - 1. We had the awesome opportunity to provide 2 cameras to Ms. Crouse and Ms. Tunstall for Yearbook!
 - 2. We were also able to provide 3 textbooks for Ms. Kiger's Health Science Class for them to use to study for their competition!
- K. Student Achievement - Jeanette Hartog
 - 1. No updates for now, was supposed to have popcorn and free time but no updates about that,Drawing was in September/November of traits
 - 2. 3rd quarter treat bags? May breakfast
 - 3. Gina Haines is willing to shadow and take this next year.

IV. Other School Organizations:

- A. School Improvement Team - Melanie Gambone
 - 1. No update
- B. BAC (Board Advisory Committee) - Karin Kuropas
 - 1. February Meeting was about safety in the schools. Discussion on student access to guns (suggested if child shows any signs or depression - remove guns from the house temporarily). Additional discussion about notifying parents to update on lock downs (suggested that PTSA as community leaders emphasize trusting school officials to handle a code red to keep our kids safe - do not got to the school and interrupt the process)
- C. Art/Drama - Jeanette Hartog
 - 1. Carnation Sales for Wake Forest Theatre fundraiser went well
 - 2. A BIPOC play titled "Amplified" was performed last Friday and Saturday- Feb 10 and 11th
 - 3. 3/10-3/12- ITS Competition ECU
 - 4. 3/16- Matinee Preview 6pm Auditorium
 - 5. 3/17- Matinee for Kids 10:30am Auditorium

D. Athletic Boosters - Robin Lester

1. Lots of help needed for spring sports concessions
2. Reverse Raffle- February 23 Tickets \$100

E. Band Boosters - Karin Kuropas

1. WinterGuard earned 2nd place in their first 2 competitions - score improved from week 1 to week 2
2. Mattress Warehouse Sale Saturday, March 11

F. Business Alliance - Larissa Moore

1. Next Meeting is March 7 at 7:30 am on Zoom all are welcome
2. March 3 we are doing a Money Matters presentation any student is welcome. Edward Jones is presenting
3. We are doing an Alumni Event March 10
4. Employment Fair in late April

V. Announcements/Closing Remarks

A. Announcements:

1. Next meeting March 13 at 6:00 in the media center

B. Q&A

- 1.

C. Meeting Adjourned 7:01

Chrissy Hedrick 1st, Kristy Dominique 2nd all in favor