

Wake Forest High School PTSA Meeting

02/14/2022

7:00 PM via Zoom

Meeting Minutes - APPROVED

Attendance: Laura Bachinsky, Kristy Dominique, Maureen Fortin, Melanie Gambone, Kris Jasany, Patti Hamler, Karin Kuropas, Lisa Leary, Karen Mallo, Larissa Moore, Jen Rudolph, Alana Urban

Call to Order: 7:03PM

I. Discussion Items

- A. Call to Order/Welcome/Introductions - Karin Kuropas
 - 1. March Meeting in person and on Zoom

- B. Principal's Report - Ms. Patti Hamler
 - 1. Thank you to the Business Alliance for Jump Start Your Future.
 - 2. 2/18/22 and 2/21/22 No school
 - 3. 2/24/22 Winter Sports Awards
 - 4. 3/11/22 Junior and Senior Graduate College Panel
 - 5. 3/9/22 Tornado Drill
 - 6. 3/30/22 Senior Breakfast
 - 7. March Job Fair
 - 8. Staff is short one art teacher
 - 9. There are not drafting classes second semester

- C. Staff Update - Laura Bachinsky
 - 1. Can PTSA promote the trips to Europe?
 - 2. The leftover handouts from the Business Alliance are in the media center.

- D. SIT/BAC - Karen Mallo
 - 1. School Improvement Team met on February 1. Here is the link of the presentation:
https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/15vGeHefD9sqnqC2ChdN5LI-ajv2-KNhwYxixmG7h_0/edit?usp=sharing
 - 2. Board Advisory Council met on January 31. Great speaker on the Leandro vs State of NC Case. centered around the State providing enough funding for all students in NC to have access to a sound basic education. Provided details of the lawsuit including background, key dates and decisions, current status.

- E. [Approval of Minutes](#) - Maureen Fortin (click on link for draft minutes)

Motion to Approve made by: Karen Mallo

Seconded by: Laura Bachinsky

In favor: All

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Motion Passes/Fails: Passes

- F. Budget/Financial Report - Larissa Moore

Will get Dairy Queen deposited in Feb. Plan to reach out to Lowe's Food about any other check distributions. There should be information coming this month about the Giving Tree check distribution. Teacher of the Year Banquet tickets have been reserved.

[PTSA Budget January 31,2022](#)

- G. Other School Organizations:

1. Business Alliance - Larissa Moore

- a) Business Alliance meeting Tuesday, Feb. 15 at 7:30am
- b) Successful Jump start event on Feb. 5 materials in media center
- c) Next Jump Start event is March 4, Financial Basics
- d) Alumni Event is March 11 if you know a graduate that would be willing to come back for a Q and A with current students

2. Athletic Boosters - Renae Hill

- a)

3. JROTC -

- a)

4. Band Boosters - Karin Kuropas

- a) Winter Guard varsity 1st place at first competition (Rolesville)
- b) Wind Ensemble going to MPA this year
- c) Wind Ensemble going to Carowinds for competition
- d) Mattress Warehouse Sale Saturday, March 12 - many sales

5. Art/Drama - Maureen Fortin

- a) Carnation sales were a success!
- b) Legally Blond performances March 24, 25, 26, 31 and April 1 and 2. Tickets will be on sale later this week with an advance ticket price. <https://wfhs.ticketleap.com/> We

are hoping to sell out the performances so please help up promote it to your family and friends and social media!

- c) Advertising opportunities are available for the Playbill. Please let me know if you know of any businesses or individuals that would like to advertise.
- d) February 23 - Matinee Preview at 6PM
- e) February 24 - Matinee Performance
- f) March 2 - Pieces of Gold Performance
- g) April 7 - Matinee Preview at 6PM and Boosters Meeting
- h) April 8 - Matinee Performance
- i) May 5 - Boosters Meeting
- j) May 14 - One Act Festival
- k) June 3 - Drama Award Ceremony

6. Chorus - Maureen Fortin

- a) March 4th and 5th one student participating in Wingate Select Honor Choir
- b) February 16th at 7PM Chorus Booster Meeting
- c) May 14th Carowinds Festival - Mixed Ensembles are beginning to prep
- d) May 20th Full chorus collaborating with dance program for Dance Concert
- e) May 26th Chorus Concert

II. Committee Reports

A. Fundraising

1. Spirit Nights - Melissa Gilmore

a) PDQ	09/15/21	5-8pm	20%	\$151.25 earned
Papa Murphy's	10/13/21	11am-8pm	33%	\$77.18 earned
Culver's	11/10/21	5-8pm	10%	\$304 earned
MOD Pizza	12/8/21	10am-10pm	20%	\$54.81 earned
Dairy Queen	1/13/22	4-9pm	20%	\$75 earned
PDQ	2/9/22	5-8pm	20%	\$46.38 earned
Culver's	3/16/22	5-8pm	10%	

\$708.62 Total Earned 2021-22

- b) Larissa received and deposited the check from MOD Pizza. The Dairy Queen check will be picked up from the store by Melissa tomorrow and dropped off to Larissa this week.
- c) Our February spirit night was hosted by PDQ on Wed. Feb. 9th from 5 - 8 pm, and we earned \$46.38. This check will be mailed to the school..
- d) Our next spirit night is at Culver's on Wed., Mar 16th. We earn 10% of ALL sales during the 5-8 pm window. This was a big earner for us back in November, and we are hoping

for another solid night! Melissa will email Lori the flyer this week for the newsletter and spirit day email.

- e) Culver's will be our last spirit night unless something new pops up.

2. Retail Rebates - Lisa Poplawski/Heather Weidner

- a) Harris Teeter TIE earnings and participants as of 2/7/2022 are in the table below.
- b) No additional sign-ups have been submitted to the google survey at this time.

2021-2022	\$1206.58	346
2020-2021	\$1632.62	318
2019-2020	\$1386.53	277
2018-2019	\$854.64	185
2017-2018	\$494.12	140

3. Cougar Challenge - Larissa Moore

- a) No new donations in January

B. Communication

1. Website - Karen Mallo - redesign/Larissa Moore - current

- a) Website design is coming along, the home pages, contact page, and Senior Page are completed. Working on Finalizing the Fundraising and Grants pages.
- b)



c)

d) A big thank you For Karen updating things on our current website. Culver's Spirit Night is posted and any Senior information and Hospitality that needs to be added as needed.

2. Newsletter - Lori Eitel

- a) Deadline for information: 20th of each month for the upcoming month
- b) Time to start planning a senior only newsletter and ask Ms. Hamler to send to seniors

3. Social Media - Melissa Gilmore/Jennifer Rudolph

- a) Kept up to date sharing school news, info from other school groups, and PTSA Info such as: PTSA DQ Spirit Night; Senior End of Qtr Treat sign up; Business Alliance session on Grants & Scholarships; Theater boosters carnations, meeting, musical and donation webpage; Giving Tree triple credits week; Curriculum Fair & Meet the Teacher Night; PTSA PDQ Spirit Night; Sports Ticket to Play info & deadline; AD/Coach Joyner retirement; ASVAB Career Exploration Test Date; PTSA Scholarship; PTSA Meeting;
- b) Will post reminders about PTSA scholarship several times before the deadline of April 1st.

C. Nominating Committee - Larissa Moore

Be on the lookout for a google form later this week,if you know anyone we can reach out to interested in helping please let me know

D. Membership-Available

- 1. No new members in January

E. Staff and Club Grants - Kris Jasany

1. Switched a grant for the Art Dept to Campus Improvement. Projects in stairwells; murals from NAHS beginning.
2. No other updates - reaching out to staff.

F. Senior Class Activities - Kris Jasany/Melanie Gambone

1. Passed out Winter Treat bags on Jan 19th with report cards.
2. New date for Senior breakfast is March 30th. Will be going over plan Tuesday Feb. 15th.
3. Plan to restart Zoom calls.
4. Working on Sr. Picnic as well.
5. Senior Signs - Karen M., are you available to work on this?

G. Hospitality - Larissa Moore/Melanie Gambone

1. Bus Driver treats are planned for February 23 -Love the Bus month celebration
2. Working with Ms.Hamler for treats and meal plans for end of Feb, March and April
3. Starting to plan for Staff Appreciation Week in May

H. Advocacy - Jennifer Rudolph

1. Progress is being made towards our March 20 collaborative community event, "Keeping it Real" a parent workshop centered on 1) teen substance use and 2) mental health wellness for parents and teens. The Cotton Company has offered their space at no cost from 1-5pm, and The Poe Center is providing speakers and resources for both 90 minute seminars. We are working on tabling with local organizations who can offer resources related to these topics. The PTSA from HHS is working with us, and Dr. Inscoe has been a tremendous help with contacts and resources. Still awaiting a response from Rolesville and Wakefield PTSAs.
[Link to view draft of flier](#)
2. Current needs include: (if you are interested in helping out please let Jen Rudolph or Karen Mallo know)
 - a) Sign up genius link for refreshment donations
 - b) Assistance getting local organizations to participate with tabling resources (ideally 5-8?)
 - c) Volunteers for:
 - (1) set up
 - (2) on site contacts for POE staff, assist with their giveaways, raffle of medicine boxes
 - (3) technical assistance with Zoom - setting up, streaming, etc and microphones
 - (4) greeter, sign in sheet to gather emails if people want follow up (Dr. Inscoe has volunteered)

- (5) floaters , refreshment area maintenance
- (6) contact person for Cotton Company
- (7) someone to make and man the donation jar on site, to collect for the POE Center
- (8) someone to coordinate and assist tabling orgs as needed
- d) Marketing and promotion of event
 - (1) reach out to school families first through available channels
 - (2) put on WF Town calendar the week prior
 - (3) advertise on community FB and other sites the week prior (give school families priority)
 - (4) reach out through Counseling staff at 4 local high schools (Dr. Inscoe helping with this)
- I. Scholarships - Kristy Dominique
 - 1. Scholarship application is live and has been shared via the PTSA website, Instagram and Twitter. Will also appear as a reminder in the newsletter next month. Thank you all for sharing! Application due date is April 1, 2022.
- J. Student Achievement - Jeanette Hartog/Larissa Moore
 - 1. have not followed up with Ms. Rendina about the Student Achievement breakfast for 1st semester

III. Announcements/Closing Remarks

- A. Announcements:
 - 1. Prom Dress donations and pick out - Larissa Moore
 - a) Currently have about 70 dresses and 6 girls have appointment tomorrow to see them
 - 2. Next Meeting: March 14, 2022
 - a) In WFHS Media Center
 - b) Zoom option
- B. Q&A
 - 1.
- C. Meeting Adjourned at 8:13PM

Motion to Adjourn: Larissa Moore
Seconded by: Karen Malo
In favor: All
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Motion Passes/Fails: Passes