

Wake Forest High School PTSA Meeting
MAY 13, 2024
6:00 PM in the Media Center and via Zoom
DRAFT MINUTES

I. Discussion Items

- A. Call to Order/Welcome/Introductions - Larissa Moore

- B. **Nominating Committee - Christy Johnson (Stacey and Karin)
 - 1. 2024 - 25 proposed slate of officers
 - a) President - Melanie Gambone
 - b) Vice president-Amy Reigle
 - c) Secretary- Zainab Bhatti
 - d) Treasurer-Larissa Moore

*Motion to Approve made
by:Christy Johnson
Seconded by: Gina
Haines*

*In favor: 13
Nays: 0
Abstain:0
Motion Passes*

2. VOTE at general assembly meeting June 3 (need 20 people)

- C. Principal's Report - Mrs. Thomas
 - 1. Thank you sponsoring Teacher of the Year
 - 2. Senior last day- June 3 Exams- June 4 and 5
Need to come to graduation practice on June 6 -do not need to attend school

- D. Staff Update - Mr. Tacito George
 - 1. Thank you for Staff Appreciation week

- E. Approval of Minutes - [MARCH](#) [APRIL](#)

*Motion to Approve made
by:Melissa Gilmore
Seconded by:Gina Haines
In favor: 13*

*Nays: 0
Abstain:0
Motion Passes*

- F. Budget/Financial Report - Larissa Moore
[May Budget](#)

- G. SIT (School Improvement)
No update

- H. BAC (Board Advisory Council)

1. Meeting held on April 15 at Lake Myra Elementary. Short discussion on the budget approval process then break out sessions to discuss vertical movement between schools. Mrs. Thomas and I were in a group with a few high schools and middle schools to discuss transitions. A few key ideas that were communicated:
 - a) Attendance is an issue - WCPSS needs to address
 - b) HS mix grades, this freedom is difficult for some 9th graders, would be nice if MS could build a little mixed grade time.
 - c) You can fail a class in HS and have to repeat it until you pass - many are not ready for this
 - d) GPA matters - although it is said by guidance, it might be nice to have HS students visit feeder MS to share with the kids (about HS life in general)
2. Many people thought these past few minutes with break out sessions with other schools were helpful and are hopeful that feedback will get back to the School Board to make changes.

II. Committee Reports

A. Advocacy - Gina Haines

No updates

B. Student Health and Wellness- Claire Reigle - made posters to spread awareness of OCD, ADHD, Dyslexia to give students a better understanding of what these disorders are like. In May we are focusing on drug and alcohol abuse.

C. Communication

1. Website - Karen Mallo

Please send any updates to Karen

2. Newsletter - Amy Reigle

Deadline for information: May 25.

Summer newsletter?

August 1?

3. Social Media - Melissa Gilmore

Keeping up with PTSA information as well as relevant school news from Ms. Thomas, the WFHS Counselors, and other school groups.

Met with Kerri Diogo on April 22nd to discuss PTSA social media accounts, info and handoff. Google doc has been created regarding Social Media Posting info/Guidelines.

Also gave Kerri access to PTSA FB accounts with both me and Karen Mallo.

Re-posted our open committee positions. Slate of officers needed for May 13 & Vote at June 3 General assembly meeting.

Health & Wellness committee information - need to post what is in the newsletter.

Upcoming items to promote..., Senior Dues, Senior Awards Prep 5/22 & Awards 5/23, Senior Picnic 5/23, Graduation Practice 6/6, Finals Week June 6-12 (seniors teacher finals on 6/4-6/5), .. What else is on the radar?

RE-ADVERTISED CLEAR BAG FOR ALL SCHOOL EVENTS - sports, concerts, any event on campus (not graduation because it is offsite) Meet the Teacher is an event Exam week schedules for seniors and grades 9-11 posted. Graduation information and ticket info (9 tickets this year) has been posted.

D. Fundraising

1. Spirit Nights - Kim Bailey

Women's Club/Juniorettes Chipotle - Total 311.81!

Zaxby's Senior Events Spirit Night - "The sales between 5pm and 8pm were right at \$4500. At 10% of sales, the proceeds to you guys would be \$450 but we are just going to round that up to \$500." Steve Howard, the manager, said he'd love to work with us again!

2. Retail Rebates - Lisa Poplawski/Amy Reigle

We had our triple points week for the giving tree in April. (still behind St Catherine's) Keep donating!
Harris Teeter/Lowes- no update

3. Cougar Challenge - Stacey Robinson

No new donations

E. Hospitality - Melanie Gambone

We had such a successful staff appreciation week. Everyone enjoyed it, from the decorations (there were students who commented), to the lunch, breakfast, frozen treats (teacher who had to track down the 1700 lounge for her grape flavor), to the mailbox treats of their passports to a fun adventure with their fireflies!

F. Membership-Stacey Robinson

1. No new memberships

G. Nominating Committee -

1. Other board positions (19 total board positions)

Advocacy/Student Achievement

Student Health and Wellness - Claire

Audit - monthly and annual

Communications - Newsletter - Amy

Communications - Social Media - Kerri **and help**

Communications - Website

Fundraising - Community Events

(1) Spirit nights - Kim

(2) The Giving Tree - Amy

(3) Grocery Stores

(4) Cougar Challenge - Stacey

Hospitality - Melanie and help

Membership - Stacey

Nominating (2 board, 1 non board) - TBD

Senior Class Events

Senior Scholarships - Celeste

Staff and Club Grants

H. Senior Class Activities - Larissa Moore

Planning for senior picnic and senior week. Help is needed for all events

I. Senior Scholarships - Celeste Stanley

The three scholarship students have been selected based on the scoring of the judges. The names have been submitted to Dean Pike. The certificate will be printed and available for the Senior Picnic (5/23) by the end of this week. An email will go out to all participants after the senior picnic.

J. Staff and Club Grants- Karin Kuropas

- 1. A few grants coming through. Still looking for a few more teachers to spend our money!
 - a) Lawhorn cooking supplies for labs - \$250
 - b) Martel software for AP music class \$250 of \$349
 - c) Media Specialists working on a list

TOTAL spent	2,547.70
BUDGET	4,000.00
BALANCE left	1,452.30
MEDIA CENTER	1,007.65

K. PBIS- secured gift cards for end of year celebration. Tropical Smoothie Cafe gave 20 gift cards for free smoothies and Jersey Mikes gave 25 coupons for free chips and drinks with purchase of a sub. Other businesses gave coupons and cards. Breakfast is scheduled for this Friday.

III. Other School Organizations:

- A. Art/Drama -
 - 1. Six, the Musical was a great success!
 - 2. Theatre Booster meeting May 14 7 PM Lonerider in Wake Forest
 - 3. Our Thespies (the awards night will be on June 1)

 - B. Athletic Boosters - Fall Sports Meet the Coach is May 15 at 5:30

 - C. Band Boosters - May 21st - spring concert and Lumpy's Spirit Day

 - D. Business Alliance - Larissa Moore
Next Meeting is June 4 at 7:30 am all are welcome

 - E. FFA-no update

 - F. JROTC -
- II. 5/8: Field of Dreams was a success! It was a great day and the kids had a great time.
 - III. 5/16: Spirit Night at Lumpy's (flyer sent to email).
 - IV. 6/1: Golf Tournament - second largest fundraiser. Working on getting sponsors, giveaways, etc.
 - V. 5/23: Senior awards - We are going to be awarding 5 \$500 scholarships to cadets.
 - VI. 6/10: Graduation
 - VII. Last meeting with PTSA being on JROTC booster. Vicki Sammons will be next year's president and will be attending the meetings next year. Will there be a June meeting? If so, both of us can attend that meeting.

IV. Announcements/Closing Remarks

- A. Announcements:
 - 1. Next Meeting: **JUNE 3** (moved due to graduation)
 - 2. General Assembly at 6 followed by Board
 - 3. Need at least 20 PTSA members at General Assembly

- B. Q&A
 - 1.

- C. Meeting Adjourned

Adjourned: 7:03