

Issaquah High PTSA, Unit 2.6.45
November 8, 2007
Issaquah High School Library
Proper notice was given to all members – quorum present

General Membership Meeting

Call to Order and Welcome:

President Marianne Kersten called meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

Secretary's Report:

Secretary Lori VanDeMark presented the October 12, 2007 minutes for review. Approved as presented.

- Miscellaneous flyers were passed around the room.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Susan Hegedus presented the financial report for October, noting that money had been received from the "Swerve" driving school and that funds had been dispersed to Tiger Mountain PTSA. Membership fees, scholarships, teacher grants, directory costs, and teacher SAT-training money have also been paid (see October 2007 financial report).

- The tax return has been completed by Susan, who passed it around for review.
- A change has been made to the reimbursement form. Susan asks that this new form be used any time a check is requested, either for reimbursement or to be written directly. The new form can be found on the web site.
- Our PTSA is in the process of purchasing this year's insurance policy.

President's Report:

- Acknowledgements – Marianne thanked the following volunteers:
 - Gayle Fitzgerald for the directory
 - Deborah Parsons and Anne Moore for Membership help in mailing the directory with membership cards
 - Deborah Parsons for her work on the 4204 campaign
- Financial Review: Jan West, Camie Callahan, and Lise Place will prepare the Financial Review, which is to be completed in January.
- Principal Meeting
 - Principal Paula Phelps explained that the new District web site should be completed by the end of the year, with all ISD schools then basing their new sites on the new template.
 - Marianne attended a meeting between School Board Members and Admissions Officers representing four schools (UW, WWU, SPU, and PLU). Questions were answered regarding what schools are looking for in applicants.
- Upcoming Meetings: Mark Kegley (School Resource Officer) and Neil Lasher (Security) in December; ISD Superintendent Dr. Rasmussen in January; Steve Crawford and architects to discuss the rebuild in February (tentatively scheduled).
 - Attorney General Rob McKenna will address the students during two assemblies in February.
- Nominating Committee: Marianne asked for those interested in serving on the nominating committee (the highest PTA honor) to contact her. The nominating committee needs to be in place by January.

Legislation Report:

Deborah Parsons noted that although 4204 (Simple Majority) is currently not passing, it is still too close to be determined. She added that voter turnout was only 28.8% in King County.

- Legislative Roundtable will be Nov. 15, 7-9 pm, Newport HS and is a good opportunity to meet with legislators.

Special Funding Request: Mrs. Legier requested \$562.13 for six classroom sets (30 each) of student-sized personal white boards to support and enhance current curriculum of the World Language Department at IHS. Jody Mull made a motion to purchase the white boards for \$562.13. Seconded, passed.

Unfinished Business: None

Meeting adjourned 6:48 pm

Board of Directors Meeting

Call to Order: President Marianne Kersten called meeting to order at 6:48 pm

Principal's Report:

Principal Paula Phelps welcomed those present who are typically unable to attend morning PTSA meetings.

- Ms. Phelps noted that the teacher contracts have spurred worthwhile collaboration in many areas on Wednesdays.
- First Quarter ended November 2. On Family Access, the Quarter letter grade is accurate and should be thought of as a progress report. The Semester grade is the most up-to-date.
- School rebuild: The buildings that will be torn down at the end of the school year will be known by the first week in December. The campus is expected to be 286,000 square feet, with a 600-seat performing arts center and black box theatre. The science classrooms/labs will be on the ground floor adjacent to the courtyard. All passing areas will be covered making it unnecessary to go outside to get to classes unless students decide to go across the courtyard. There will be three academic wings. A large library will be on the second floor with windows facing the mountains. Part of the building may be wireless. Models will be available during the Architects' presentation in February.

Other:

Marianne added that approximately 75 students will be honored at the Quarterly Student Honors on Nov. 15.

- December 13 is the next coffee with Paula.

Meeting adjourned 6:58 pm

Following the business meeting, a representative from "Swerve" driving school spoke about Teen Driving.

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Secretary, IH PTSA 2.6.45