



General Meeting MINUTES – Draft
Liberty High School PTSA 2.6.50
Tuesday, January 18, 2022
Zoom Virtual Meeting

Call to Order: 6:31pm by President Laila Collins. Proper notice of the meeting was given. In attendance: Laila Collins, Michelle Moore, Dawn Carr, Stina Fluegge, Alison Larsson, Heidi Kayler, Erin Thacker, Sydney Mullings, Jennifer Rinker, Nicole Morgan, Lovenia Hardin, Mary Brown, Sue Mystkowski, Loren Krogstad. Quorum was present.

Guest Speaker – Sydney Mullings, Issaquah School Board Member

Current ISD levies expire on December 31, 2022. Renewal levies which will continue essential programs will be on the April 26th ballot. There are three separate components being worked on by the Levy Development Committee: 1) EP&O levy which includes programs and services not provided through state’s basic education; 2) capital levy which includes technology and critical repairs; and 3) transportation levy for the purchase and maintenance of buses. The Levy Development Committee will make a recommendation to Superintendent Ron Thiele who will present the final recommendations to the School Board for approval. The District website and PTSA website has information regarding the programs supported by the levies. Once the levies are finalized, information will be available on the VIS website as well as the District website.

Approval of Minutes

October 12, 2021 general meeting minutes were reviewed and will be filed as presented.

Treasurer’s Report

October 13, 2021– January 18, 2022 Treasurer’s Report was distributed and reviewed. Updates were discussed. The report will be filed.

Bank balance \$41,223.19.

Dawn Carr and Jennifer Rinker have January 26th set as a tentative date to complete the financial review.

President’s Report

Since our last meeting in October, PTSA has approved a grant for extracurricular scholarships; printed and mailed the directory to all members along with the window clings; partnered with DECA on November 20th for a campus beautification event; and have hosted a staff appreciation lunch with another one planned for February 11th. The Class of 2025 held their Tutta Bella restaurant nights in December, the Class of 2024 will be having a See’s Candy fundraiser in the spring, and the Class of 2023 will be rolling out the Brown Bear car wash tickets soon. These fundraisers provide seed money for senior events for each of the graduating classes.

Committee Reports

Membership – We currently have 443 members, which is 10 members short of our goal.

Outreach – A new mini fridge has been purchased for the counseling center. Ten Powerpacks were picked up last week. There were still some left. The next pick-up date is next Wednesday, January 26th. Breakfast items and toiletries were all replenished last week.

Parent Ed – Thursday, January 20th at 7:00 pm: “Confronting Stress, Anxiety and Depression” with Katie Hurley. This event is free for PTSA members.

Tuesday, January 25th, from 7-8 pm, Issaquah High School PTSA is hosting a career planning webinar, “Alternative Trade, Technical Careers and Running Start”. Renton Technical College, Lake Washington Technical College and Bellevue College will be featured. Registration is required and can be completed on the Issaquah High PTSA website.

Community Service Cords – Forms can be turned in throughout the school year. Forms can be emailed or paper forms can be dropped off in the school office. All information is on the PTSA website.

Reflections – Liberty has two students moving on to the state level for judging. The Reflections reception scheduled for January 11th was cancelled due to covid.

2022 Senior Events – Graduation has been confirmed for Thursday, June 9th at 4:30 pm. The senior sponsorships have done well. The Senior Events Committee is currently negotiating with Grad Nights to finalize venues. Volunteers are working on the senior breakfast. Night of Reflection has volunteers but needs a chair. Senior Sunset is set for the night after the Night of Reflection. There are lots of volunteers for the Senior Sunset.

VIS – An update was provided by guest speaker Sydne Mullings.

ISF – ISF is in the process of reviewing teacher grants. Impact scholarships are open for all junior and seniors. The application can be found on the ISF website, and have a February 28th deadline.

The ISF luncheon will be held in the spring and is scheduled to be an in-person event. There will also be an evening event this year which is to be held at the Lake Washington Hyatt.

Principal's Report

Mr. Martin is at the levy committee meeting this evening, so Assistant Principal Mr. Krogstad is present.

We are nearing the end of the first semester. Staff are working with students if they are unable to write their finals due to covid. The District has given teachers more time to finalize grades as Covid numbers are high and many students are absent.

There have been recent changes regarding covid protocols. The quarantine period is now 5 days for students and staff who test positive as well as anyone deemed to be a close contact. The school can perform test to stay covid tests for unvaccinated students who have had a close contact at school as well as students who are showing symptoms while at school. If a student tests positive, they need to provide a negative test from a medical facility before returning to school. Home tests cannot be accepted to return to school.

At this time, there is no talk of returning to remote learning. All schools in the District will remain open unless they are directed to close from the Governor, Department of Health or Director of Public Instruction. Lectures cannot be recorded to assist absent students as this has not been negotiated or accepted by the union.

New Business

A nominating committee needs to be elected. Dawn Peschek, Dawn Carr and Stina Fluegge volunteered to be on the nominating committee.

A motion was made by Nicole Morgan to elect Dawn Peschek, Dawn Carr and Stina Fluegge to the nominating committee. Second by Michelle Moore. Voice vote; motion carried.

Adjourned: 7:18 pm

Submitted by:

Erin Thacker

Secretary