

**Washington Middle School PTSA Board Meeting Minutes
April 5th, 2021 via Zoom 6PM-8PM**

Present: (Board) Jen Drain, Keyonna Saloy, Brynne Veitengruber, Cliff Meyer, Chris Robertson (Guest) Barb Trospen.

Meeting called to order at 6:44 by Jen Drain.

Connections/team building.

Minutes from PTSA Board Meeting March 25 Approved.

Annual Fund presented by Jen Drain.

PTSA is stopping fund raising for this school year.

Addressing families return to school questions presented by Jen Drain.

Jen Drain will check with Principal Hunt about answers to questions from families.

PTSA will co-host the return-to-school info night for ELL/ESL families Thursday, Apr 8.

Admin will provide a FAQ sheet. Found [here](#)

Teacher Appreciation / Return to School Welcome presented by Jen Drain.

Sunshine committee is working on this.

Ideas: WMS masks, lunch, breakfast-, pre-made orders, individually wrapped items. Lunch: 11:10-11:40.

Reflection on the March General/Community Meeting.

Positive feedback on survey presentation and positive sharing in breakout rooms.

Advisory discussion presented Chris Robertson: Currently the school is forming a committee.

Washington Middle School budget: TAF advocated for and was given additional budgeted FTE.

Advocacy issues for PTSA to champion this coming school year discussed:

Ideas: Cell phone policy survey.

Safety coming back to the building.

Chris Robertson will re-advertise to teachers \$300 classroom grant and opportunity grants are available from PTSA.

Community Connector update.

Job description and expectations needs to be sorted out.

PTSA approved funds to hire 2 people for the final 2 months of the year.

Goal: Hire other outreach connectors by July/August.

Recruitment strategies for next year - Creating a diverse board.

Community connectors will be helpful.

Unanswered question: Will TAF parent advisory blending into PTSA Board?

PTSA will be asking 6th grade parents.

Late May General/Community meeting the new PTSA Board is usually voted in.

Community Event for May Community/General Meeting.

Understanding the teenage brain- Brynne will look into Dan Siegal.

Engage an equity consultant presented by Jen Drain:

Equity related issues are already budgeted by PTSA.

PTSA will work with Ti'esh Harper, we need a proposal from her on where to go.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:56 PM

Minutes Approved: May 10th 2021

Selected Upcoming Dates

Apr. 7 BLT Meeting 7:40 am

Coffee with Katrina & Krishna 8:30 am

Info Session on Return-to-school 6 pm

Apr. 8 Sip & Chat Social with PTSA 5 pm
Info Session on Return-to-school for ELL & ESL families 6 pm
Apr. 12-16 Spring Break
Apr. 19 Return-to-School
Apr. 20 Sip & Chat Social with PTSA 8 am
Apr. 22 Sip & Chat Social with PTSA 5 pm
Apr. 23 PTSA Kahoots Trivia Night 6:30pm
Apr. 27 Welcome To Washington (incoming 6th graders) 6:30 pm
Apr. 28 2021-22 Kickoff (rising 7th & 8th graders) 6:30 pm