

**Washington Middle School PTSA Board Meeting Minutes**  
**October 12, 2021 via Zoom 6:30-8:00 PM**

**Present:** (Board) Jen Drain, Kat Barr, Chris Robertson, Brynne Veitengruber (Guests) Krishna Richardson-Daniels, Ginger Culver, Natasha Marsh. Katharine Freehan (Annual Funds), Tracey Day, Yeah Sam (extended learning coordinator for TAF), Tiffany Acker, Barb Trosper, Aliyi , Deassi, Muaz, Nimco (some last names not provided).

**Meeting called to order at 6:36 PM by Jen Drain**

**Connection Activity.**

**Updates presented by Jen Drain.**

Welcome New Opportunity Grant Coordinator, Bill Brewster.

Welcome New Annual Funds Chair, Katharine Feehan.

Welcome New Advocacy Chair, Elisa Ridley.

**Treasurer Report presented by Kat Barr.**

See attached: [Here](#)

**PTSA Business presented by Jen Drain.**

Outdoors Lunch:

WMS reports they no longer need outside tables.

PTSA discussed safety of eating outside,

Jen Drain will follow up with administration to see if the school will allow

PTSA/Parent volunteers to help clean up outside courtyards.

Parents are concerned with safety in school.

Examples of safety issues: Hallway safety, spitting, fighting, abusive words and

offensive language.

PTSA Role discussed.

Parents need to know where to go for help

PTSA discussed creating a forum for open dialogue and prevention, and opportunities to align with the school to make our students safe.

The school is addressing safety and incident prevention in the school in the following ways:

Classroom observations.

Hallway staffing.

WMS is meeting with a district behavioral specialist.

Therapeutic Health Center (THC) is coming back to WMS.

Seattle University is starting their mentorship program at the end of October

Administration continue to work on ways to engage the students and issues.

Advisory is working on strategies to help mitigate and this includes the counseling team, staff, PBIS team (Positive Behavior Intervention Support) committee, all working on supporting our students.

BEST model and social/emotional topics are being discussed during Advisory and ongoing Thursdays

PTSA Plan: General Meeting: encourage communication and change/Forum to share experiences and ideas.

PTSA is looking for 6<sup>th</sup> grade coordinators to build community.

Planning PTSA General/community meeting discussed and will be rescheduled.

**PTSA Opportunity Grant Review presented by Jen Drain for Bill Brewster:**

Olivia Boon - Padlet Subscription for WMS staff discussed, PTSA needs to know how many teachers are using padlet.

Evin Shin: Requesting Lunchtime Activities funding for purchasing crafts, crafts table, and/or board games.  
Jr. Huskey Market PTSA request: bonus bucks rewards to encourage kids to use BEST behavior.

**PTSA Business**

Nominating /recruitment for PTSA Board will be in next PTSA eblast.

**Masks for Teachers presented by Barb Trospen**

Barb will email WMS staff for their opinion on masks or support frame and get a list of staff from Ms. Washington.

**Minutes from PTSA Board Meeting September 21<sup>st</sup> 2021 Approved.**

**Meeting Adjourned: 8:08 PM**

**Minutes Approved: November 9th, 2021**

Board Meeting Dates:

- Nov 9, 2021 06:30 PM
- Dec 14, 2021 06:30 PM
- Jan 11, 2022 06:30 PM
- Feb 8, 2022 06:30 PM
- Mar 8, 2022 06:30 PM
- Apr 12, 2022 06:30 PM
- May 10, 2022 06:30 PM

June 14, 2022 06:30 PM