

**Washington Middle School PTSA Board Meeting Minutes**  
**March 8th, 2022 via Zoom 6:30-8:00 PM**

**Present:** (Board) Jen Drain, Keyonna Saloy, Brynne Veitengruber, Kat Barr, Barb Trosper, Elisa Ridley, (Guests) Jeah Sam (extended learning coordinator for TAF)

**--- Notice of WMS PTSA Board actions taken prior to this Board Meeting ---**

*On February 23, 2022, the 2021-2022 WMS PTSA Board voted via email to fund differently colored WMS spirit t-shirts free of charge to all WMS students: Approved.*

**Meeting called to order at 6:37 by Jen Drain.**

**Ice Breaker**

**D5 Update presented by Barb Trosper:**

SPS Enrollment adjustments did not pass.

WMS is down 50 students this year.

It's unclear if with TAF, WMS will not be losing a teacher.

WMS is a Tier 1 equity school.

WMS Final budget will be voted on tomorrow by the WMS staff.

2 WMS counselors will likely be changed to part time.

**Annual Fund presented by Jen Drain:**

PTSA plans a big fundraising ask via email blast, flyer, Facebook, text, and mailing.

Fundraising message: Support your neighborhood school.

Elisa Ridley and Kat Barr will reach out to see if they can find a volunteer to take lead.

Possibly PTSA can use this to build community with a participation goal.

2021-2022 school year fundraising goal: \$50,000.

551 current students enrolled this school year at WMS.

PTSA will add Amazon fundraising to the bottom of each newsletter.

**Volunteers needed now and Nominating Committee for 2022-2023 PTSA discussed.**

PTSA plans to email families about volunteering with checkbox answers/mail chimp.

PTSA plans to send talking points poll to get list of people who are interested in getting information about volunteering.

**Upcoming Community Meeting Planning:**

J Veitengruber will present on CBT/DBT for families.

Flyer: Brynne Veitengruber will follow up with J Veitengruber and PTSA.

Elisa Ridley will check in with Band/music for a presenter/update.

Jeah Sam will follow up with TAF for updates, including STEM Expo.

Jen Drain will follow up with the translators.

Brynne Veitengruber will send slides to Jen Drain for interpreters prior to the meeting.

Goal: Invite all feeder schools by this weekend.

Other PTSA business to discuss at meeting:

Budget committee recruitment.

Nominating Committee recruitment.

**WMS disciplinary data discussed:**

Keyonna Saloy reached out to WMS administration and was unable to connect, she will reach out again.

Vivian Van Gelder, D5 Director, spoke with Assistant Principal Tran and the District, and there is a disconnect between the district and what is happening in the building. It is reported there is a small cohort of students affected by this at WMS.

**Minutes from WMS General (Community) Meeting February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Approved:**

**WMS Budget presented by Kat Barr:**

Teachers have been asking how much money they have available to spend.

Budget committee recruitment is happening now.

Budget report [here](#).

**Advocacy update presented by Elisa Ridley:**

State funding of RNs and Counselors approved but, SPS was already funding. Funds can be moved towards retaining WMS staff.

Second language supports passed.

**Spirit T-Shirts presented by Barb Trospen:**

Arrival ETA unknown.

Jen Drain will follow up to make sure the T-shirts were ordered.

**Meet the Author Night presented by Barb Trospen:**

Librarian asked for series books for the library collection and to give away free to students.

Planned event for WMS community to meet Kazu Kibuishi, the author of the Amulet and other book series,

**Adult T-Shirts will be planned for the Fall 2022**

**PTSA Teacher Liaison presented by Jen Drain**

WMS PTSA is currently recruiting new members for next year's PTSA Board, all staff are welcome to come to all meetings.

**Meeting Adjourned: 8:20 PM**

**Minutes Approved: April 5th, 2022**