

WMS PTSA Board Meeting Minutes
11/1/2022 6:30-8:00pm Via Zoom

Brynne called to order at 6:36p

Present: Brynne Veitengruber, En Lammers, Kat Barr, Krishna Richardson-Daniels, Jared Roach and Chris Carvell.

Brief personal sharing of Halloween/holiday faves:

Jared-homemade deep fried donuts

Brynne-

En-candy corn

Kat-roasted pumpkin seeds

Krishna-pumpkin seeds and crunchy kit kat

Last meeting minutes: Approved!

Discussion:

1. Recruitment progress is going well. 52 members total today (caregivers and staff), 25 is the requirement.

2. We still need to get more volunteers for events. Brynne and En to call down members to ask for more hands-on volunteers. Board agreed to reimburse fees for background checks of any interested parties in order to grow the pool of volunteers available.

3. Regarding voting for temp roles on the board. No vote is needed. Brynne is secretary until someone takes the role. Kat is treasurer.

4. BLT may not be getting invitations. Kat action; with Mr. Manriquez and ask about it...and student govt. BLT teacher members were voted on a week or so ago and updated last week. Ms. Kelly Kirby is in charge of recruiting student ASB members?

Report out on progress:

1. Family gathering was all set up...then vetoed by administration. Chris wanted to work on getting collective buy-off.

2. Still aiming for that holy grail of setting up regular meetings with Admins. En action to keep plugging away, after 2p then brynne can join, before 2p she will be working

3. Brynne has washed all coats and jackets for CISS. Whew!

4. Food, clothing and jackets drive and give away. Shooting to collect donations before Thanksgiving. Then to distribute before Christmas?

5. Excited about upcoming community mtg on mental illness and teen suicide. Flyers ready at drives and via TAF. Yay!

- Library has been reserved. En confirmed.
- Dinner will be catered by local restaurant. En action to order and pick up.
- Kat action to pick up some supplies and drinks.
- Details: Nov 9th marks the first Community Meeting with a focus on mental health, Geoffry Thomas will speak to adolescent suicide: why necessary to open dialogue with teens, what to say, when to approach...and resources. Then a panel discussion is planned to help with Q&A.
- Flyer to go to admins tomorrow; via and talking points and and fall newsletter. Jared action.
- Interpreters. Jared is working hard to coordinate, availability is the challenge.
- Kat action to personally extend invites to new members for the community meeting.
- Kat set up account with Glazer's to fulfill the request from yearbook staff for camera (s). Perhaps this can facilitate recording this meeting presentation?
- Brynne action to look into setting up AV needs.

6. Fund letter. Kat did first draft of letter...sending out mid to late Nov.

7. Seeking more avenues to reach families/community. Post social media Facebook and website...but not sure who reads news updates on those? Raise the bar on word of mouth or calldowns? En/Brynee action to continue to feed content for robomail and calls for comm meeting in person on wed. Worried about turn-out.

8. Holiday gift cards. There is no line item in budget for gift cards for counselors but hoping the fund drive letter will lead to donations to assist CISS in providing these as needed.

9. Kat sent out the Annual Report: revamped and nothing extraordinary for this year.

10. TAF update:

- First robotics club competition, Sunday 9a-4p, open to public, support our scholars.
- Next family engagement workshop, Nov 16th Wed; making digital clocks, all grades.
- Lego challenge, 6 and 7th graders, STEM engineering teacher, Brookweather {?}
- Field trips planned:
 - 6th grade--food and security, nurturing roots...develop cookbooks...
 - 7th grade--water conservation, water treatment facility, nov 10 and 18th 11-1:30
 - 8th grade--inequities and opportunities in STEM with industry partners

- Science focus on flight; taking trip to Boeing, mid november, 38-40 students, working tour

11. Ski bus this year? Last year was Mohan ski boarding. Kids were picked up then up and returned on Friday nights. Chaperone and adult coordinators are required. Do we want to make it happen? Jared will look into existing programs at nearby schools, Meany and Garfield. Explore possibility to join? Brynne action to uncover who/how from last year's coordinator (Bill and Laura Silvers? Kat sent email to Bill to get ball rolling.

12. Active shooter training. Still of great concern that students do not get this training. En/Brynne to bring up with Williams.

13. Reinstate the non-gender bathroom! Students are requesting this.

Adjourned at 7:47p

Meeting Minutes approved 12/5/2022