



Pacific Cascade PTSA 2.6.41

General Membership Meeting

Wednesday, January 29, 2025, 1-2pm

Location: Library Lab

Board Attendees: Kasey Trefethen, Laura Gaffney, Kate Weinstein, Emily Garner, Lily Jong, Stephanie Harris

Other PTSA Member Attendees: Joana Figueiredo, Sherry Hassard, VyVy Lampa, Shilpa Schuettenhelm (via phone)

With a quorum present, President Kasey called the meeting to order at 1:36pm.

Secretary's Report

- Kate noted the September GMM minutes were available in advance on our website as well as hard copies provided at the meeting. With no questions or changes the minutes were accepted as presented.

New Business

- Nominating Committee - President Kasey outlined WSPTA Uniform Bylaws Article 5, Section 5A regarding the election of the nominating committee, and asked for nominations. Kasey nominated Chelsea Musiak. Chelsea could not be present but had indicated her acceptance of the nomination prior to the meeting. Suny Lee, who was not present at the meeting, had expressed interest however hasn't been a member for 10 days and so will be nominated at a future meeting. One spot remains open.
- ISD Bond Endorsement - President Kasey presented an overview of the ISD Bond on the special ballot on February 11th. Joana made a motion to endorse the bond and Laura seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Motion passed

Treasurer's Report

- Laura shared a summary of the October – December Treasurer's Report and noted the full report is available on the website. With no further question, the October – December Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.
- Laura noted that the taxes were filed in November; in addition, insurance was renewed and good through 11/1/2026.
- Laura shared that a mid-year financial review would be conducted by Hanna Bowen, Chelsea Musiak, and Lily Jong

Programs, Director & Committee Reports



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- **Membership** - Emily shared we had 58 family memberships, 29 individual, 37 staff (of those 12 donated). We have 3 more staff donated memberships to give. We hit our goal of 100% staff membership.
- **Programs**
 - Stephanie mentioned staff breakfast 2/12 - sign up for donations
 - Stephanie mentioned Lynx at the Ball Park, March 29th
 - Stephanie mentioned cultural night on 5/14 would need help with coordination and volunteers. A planning meeting will be held after February break
- **Campus support**
 - Student store is open once a month. Volunteer signups available on the PTSA website for shifts during both lunches
 - Lunch volunteers needed for Green team support
- **ASB**
 - 10/18 opens for popcorn shifts
 - spirit challenge each trimester and winning class will win prize partnering with PTSA
- **Advocacy** – February 17th is focus day in Olympia for Advocacy week and you can sign up through the WSPTSA website to get customizable emails to send you legislator.
 - Top 5 priorities this year: Closing the funding gap; Addressing the student mental health crisis; addressing funding, inclusion, and supports in special education; Preventing and reducing gun violence and suicide; Expanding school construction funding options
- **Outreach** – Lily noted that there are both ongoing Outreach programs as well as some annual/one-time.
- **ISF** - Laura shared a brief update on Issaquah Schools Foundation including scholarships for seniors, fundraiser held at the end of the year, and the Nourish Every Mind Luncheon being held on 5/1

Principal McGowan was unable to make it so Kasey gave a brief update on his behalf.

- March 10th incoming 5th grade night
- 8th grade promotion being fine tuned so stay tuned for updates

With no further questions or new business, Kasey adjourned the meeting at 1:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kate Weinstein, Secretary