

**2014-2015 WSHS PTSA Meeting Minutes  
November 10, 2014**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm with the following board members in attendance:

Tom Ayres, PTSA President	Janis Ours, Secretary
Sean Kilcarr, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Michael Mukai, Principal
Dawn Kelly Mobley, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Amy Falcon, Chair, Above and Beyond Awards
Barb Lazirko-Watters, Treasurer	Colleen Jarvis, Chair, All Night Grad Party

Lys Stalker, Brenda Brewer, Molly Gray, Denise Rogers, Maryann Zegeer, Jody Terry, Sue Lackey, Robin Lermo, Tandra Campbell, and members Cindy King, Shannon Matheny, Linda Gross, Kendra Campbell, Daniel Wimmer, Max Nguyen-ha, Leena Abed, Shelley Peterson, Chandler Mobley, Emily Inman, Taylor Larson, Kyle Presnell, Jonathan Montgomery, Natalie Pham, Stephanie Montgory, and Anita Branch.

**Approval of Minutes from October 2014:** Pursuant to motion by Sean Kilcarr and seconded by Michael Mukai the September 2014 minutes were approved as submitted.

**Approval of Agenda:** Pursuant to motion by Sean Kilcarr and seconded by Dawn Mobley the agenda was approved as submitted.

**Treasurer's Report:** Income: \$2,010 from Spartanfest, and \$83 from Amazon. Our expenses are from Grounds & Beautification and advertisement for Spartanfest. Sign up for Amazon Smile at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com).

**President's Report:** Spartanfest was well attended by students but not parents. The funds for Mini Grants are less than last year but the PTSA will consider adding additional funds depending on the applications received.

**Principal's Report:** Great first quarter. The German choir visited and homecoming went well. Our students do well; they led a pep rally. WSHS has merit-scholars and one semi-finalist. Both girls and boys Cross Country teams have made it to States. The football team is hosting the playoffs. New Staff: Shannon Methini, Asst. Principal and Kendra Murphy, SBTS. Winter sports started today. Students, keep coming by my office and the great ideas flowing.

#### **Reports of the Standing Committees**

**Above and Beyond** – Many wonderful nominations were written. The winners were discussed and will be announced tomorrow.

**ANGP** – The fire marshall went over guidelines for ANGP. At Spartanfest we sold yard signs, tickets and took in \$120 in donations. Yard signs will be given out at the staff/student basketball game this Thursday. Which events can have an ANGP table set up at them were discussed. Any fundraiser in the name of WSHS needs to be checked with Andy Muir first. The leadership students are working on advertising for ANGP. The new Tax ID will be given out soon.

**Communications** – Information can be posted to the website now that the new SBTS is in place. The WSHS web site was discussed, we are using the county template for high school web sites.

**Grounds and Beautification** – The large oak tree on the WSHS property has been designated a "Celebrated Tree of Fairfax County." Winter plants have been put in the pots in the front of the school.

**Hospitality** – The Teacher Holiday Luncheon was originally scheduled for Friday, December 19th. The date is changing because Friday is an early release day and the beginning of winter break. The WSHS Administration will be hosting cookies and punch on December 19th. We hope to finalize the date for the PTSA sponsored event this week.

**Mini-Grants** – A listing of applications was received today. The meeting to go through the applications will be next week. There was a discussion on how grants are chosen and which ones receive funds.

**SpartanFest** – Thank you to Maryann Zegeer for stepping up and working so hard on Spartanfest. Thank you to the custodial staff and the members of the WSHS Boys Lacrosse Team! The team was a big help assisting the Craft Fair Vendors with loading and unloading their booth supplies for SpartanFest. We need a date for next year's event asap and better communication.

#### **Old Business**

**Practice SAT/ACT** – The date for this is November 22. Anyone can sign up, even students from another school.

#### **New Business**

**Plaque Proposal Vote** – We would make \$400 available for plaques for retiring teachers, expecting them to be about \$50 each. We have the funds to support this. Denise Rogers made a motion to vote, seconded by Maryann Zegeer. A vote was taken and the proposal was passed.

**Lunch Fund** – A discussion ensued about whether the PTSA should help put money in a fund to loan students lunch money if they forgot it. Denise Rogers offered to look into how other schools handle this issue and Brenda Brewer offered to help her.

**Giant A+ Rewards** – In 2012 we raised \$4,679.60. In 2013 we raised \$3,455.59. For 2013 we had 124 cards registered for WSHS. As of 11/10/14 for 2014 we have 167 cards registered for WSHS. Signing up for Giant A+ Rewards does not affect gas points. There was discussion about advertising for Giant A+ rewards. Mr. Mukai suggested if a script was written about the program it could be included in a WSHS phone update. It was agreed that the information about Giant A+ Rewards could be moved from the PTSA page on the WSHS website to the Home page for greater exposure.

#### **Announcements:**

- Remember WSHS when you choose who to contribute to for CFC
- The Band received 2<sup>nd</sup> Place in the state and received superior ratings at VBODA
- Natalie Pham is interested in saving the painted murals that currently exists at the school. She would like to see the student artwork incorporated into the renovation to retain that history. Denise Rogers offered to help her look into ways the artwork could be reproduced.
- Principal Mukai recommended three apps: Speak & Translate, Word Lens, and PhotoMath

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kendra Campbell and seconded by Tandra Campbell. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:03pm. The next meeting will take place on December 1, 2014 at 7pm in Spartan Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Janis Ours  
Secretary