

**2014-2015 WSHS PTSA Meeting Minutes  
December 1, 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
Barb Lazirko-Watters, Treasurer	Colleen Jarvis, Chair, All Night Grad Party

Molly Gray, Denise Rogers, Maryann Zegeer, Jody Terry, Robin Lermo, Stacy Cheshire, and members Lauren Catington, Jordan Boyd, Natalie Pham, Celeste Morris, Abby Snyder, Ana Suarez, William Goodwin, Katie Frost, Linda Gross, Sadie Shroeder, Taylor McMahon, Kristin Pitcher, Nicole Verdin, Kelley Crennan and others.

**Approval of Minutes from November 2014:** Pursuant to motion by Sean Kilcarr and seconded by Stacy Cheshire the November 2014 minutes were approved as submitted.

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

**Treasurer's Report:** Income: \$460 from the SAT/ACT Practice test. The Membership line item was adjusted to show donations (\$700) and membership dues separately. Dues were paid to State and National PTA. The Tax Exempt Letter was received.

**President's Report:** The school looks great, thank our custodians. The email reminding us to thank the staff and teachers was a great idea.

**Principal's Report:** Share the "Thank You to Staff and Teachers" email with others. We have had over 200 emails generated from this! Winter sports have started. The School Improvement Plan (SIP) will be presented later this evening. Angela Atwater, Assistant Superintendent for FCPS, met with us and came up with some great initiatives for the SIP. The 2-week winter break is coming up; we are working towards a "No Homework Assignment Policy." We are looking to reducing the amount of homework given during school breaks so that they will be considered true breaks from school. Please let your teachers know how the amount of homework you get impacts you.

**Reports of the Standing Committees**

**ANGP** – At the Austin Grill fundraiser on Wednesday we will receive 20% of the income generated. The BGR fundraiser is December 17, 4pm – 9pm. Yard signs are in and selling for \$20. They will be available at most school functions. The December 18 meeting has been moved to December 11. Ticket prices are up to \$85 now until February. We've sold 91 tickets. The prize budget is \$9,500.

**Grounds and Beautification** – The hose jackets need repair. Molly Gray was told to contact Andy Muir or Russell Wade to work towards getting them fixed.

**Hospitality** – All Staff Holiday Party - December 15. Melissa Williams, caterer, is working with us to provide a nice variety of appetizers. The Sign-up Genius has been successful. Marietta Morris has volunteered to organize the drawing prizes. She has obtained many donations from community businesses and families have donated gift cards.

**Mini-Grants** – We have decided which grants will be funded. Letters will be going out this week. We got 15 applications and are giving to 11 of them. Michael Mukai assured the PTSA that the other requests will be met through other means.

### **Old Business**

**Advertising for ANGP** – Making a video was discussed. The Oracle will advertise in the next issue. Leftover yearbooks could be given away at ANGP. The “Buddy Lunch” system was discussed.

**Lunch Fund** – Due to medical needs, the school will provide funds for forgotten lunch money. The issue is continuing to be researched by Denise Rogers who will report back at the January PTSA meeting.

**School Art** – Natalie Pham discussed ideas of what to do with art in the hallways that will be destroyed during renovation. The issue will be discussed again at the January PTSA meeting.

### **New Business**

**School Improvement Plan (SIP)** – Erin Lenart - We are looking for parents who are interested in the common goal of improving our school. Meetings will occur within 1 ½ months. Teachers have been working hard to decide which standards are essential and we would like the PTSA to collaborate with us. Denise Rogers suggested teachers be included in these meetings. Sean Kilcarr suggested that we put together a committee of parents for this.

**Giant A+ Rewards** – WSHS has earned \$720.70 for the month of October. The school has 187 cards registered to date, a small number for a school our size.

**Carwashes as Fundraisers** – We discussed having carwashes at the WSHS parking lot due to the fact that the Shell gas station that usually houses carwashes will be unable to host them this spring. All fundraising efforts should be directed through Casey Grubbs.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sean Kilcarr. The meeting adjourned at 8:00pm. The next meeting will take place on January 5 at 7pm in Spartan Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Janis Ours  
Secretary