

**Minutes**  
**West Springfield HS PTSA Meeting**  
Monday Sept 12, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm

**Principal:**

We had a great start to the year. We had a smoother opening this year than last year despite renovations. Things are still shifting: there will be more digging in the parking lot, one of the paths going into Sparta was paved, and lunch will be adjusted. The fence line changed because there was a bottleneck there.

WTOP ran a story in which state scores were released. WSHS was in the top 5 in every category and #1 in our region. We are 100 students over projection most likely because parents are moving their children from private to public schools because WSHS is such a good school. We have the highest passing rate on the SOL. After TJ, only WSHS and Langley are dominating on AP scores.

Renovation questions:

*We had an Olympian come from this school. Can we put Olympic rings somewhere on the school?* FCPS would have to give a permit for that.

The NFL gave us money to help pay for a new scoreboard.

*Is Spartanfest going to get canceled?* Yes it has been canceled. There may still be a club part of Spartanfest at some point. Talk to Andy Muir about when to hold your club/sport fundraisers. For a community building fundraiser you should try a trunk or treat fundraiser where kids come and trick or treat at the school. It provides a safe place for the kids and the clubs provide candy and ask for donations.

*Was there a plan for a basket fundraiser?* The idea has been discussed but there was no implementation.

*Are we losing any parts of the building later on this year?* We might. It goes in phases. We are having a phasing meeting soon. The stairway by door #4 is now not in use because construction needed it while they build the third floor. They may need to take the Sports teams locker rooms (not PE locker rooms) after football season.

*Is there enough room for the kids to eat lunch?* We have four lunches so that there is plenty of seating.

*Parking?* The student parking will be reevaluated; after all of the digging and fence moving we will see what we have available. *How was parking at the first home football game?* It was good but that's because Mount Vernon didn't have a lot of

people come. *B2SN Parking?* We are going to try to get the staff to park elsewhere and try to use Cardinal Forest Parking lot.

*Can students eat lunch in the library?* The academy kids use the library for transition. The Career Center and Writing Center are open during lunch. Students are not allowed to eat on the bleachers. We were given fewer custodians; we cannot add more spaces for the custodians to clean.

Becky Brandt: If anybody has questions, email me at [rabrandt@fcps.edu](mailto:rabrandt@fcps.edu)

Grade reports are now controlled centrally and will be sent out every week. There will be not be any more interims.

Email Principal Mukai if you have any questions.

### **Votes:**

#### **June 2016 Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the minutes by Jill Chastain and seconded by Kelley Pinzon. The motion was approved.

#### **Budget Audit**

A motion was made to approve the Budget Audit by Jenny Zerefa and seconded by Cindy King. The motion was approved.

#### **2016-2017 Budget**

A motion was made to approve the 2016-2017 Budget by Chris Kroeger and seconded by Molly Snow. The motion was approved.

### **SIIP Committee:**

The school is looking for volunteers to join this committee. This committee is setting up the success plan for the school. If you are interested there is a meeting tomorrow (9/13) between 2:15pm and 2:45pm.

**Treasurer:** Copies of the monthly report for August were passed around.

PTSA: Net gain of \$2066.88

ANGP: Net gain of \$451.57

### **ANGP, Margaret Keast**

Doing really well with ticket sales with 126 tickets sold. We have earned around \$10,000 at Jiffy Lube Live. There was discussion on whether ANGP should have a table at B2SN. The PTSA will be manning their table there all night. Does anyone know where the ANGP trailer went?

### **By-laws-Chris Kroeger**

Every year the VA PTA sends a survey to schools. We took the questions and put them on Mailchimp. We are sending the questions to the community and are hoping to get as much response as possible. The survey includes legislative questions and juvenile justice questions. It is due by 10/30/16 to VA PTA.

**Sidewalk Committee**

Next PTSA meeting there will be an update on the sidewalk issue.

**Membership**

630 members joined at Spartan Spree. We have 742 members so far (142 members above our budget.) Only 4 teachers have joined so far. All board members must be members.

**Safety and Health**

Supplies have been delivered to the clinic.

**Giant A+**-There was discussion on what should be done for this committee? Cindy King explained what Committee Chairperson Maryann Zegeer did last year.

**Question:** *Does anyone know if the problem we had last year with the CFC was fixed?*  
We are not participating with the CFC this year. We will join next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46pm

The next meeting is on 10/11/16 at 7pm at Spartan Hall.