

Minutes - DRAFT

March 4, 2025; General Membership Meeting

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7:30 pm	Welcome/Call to Order
7:35 PM	<p>Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes – reviewed from 2/11 PTSA meeting, approved unanimously • Reflections Reception – 13 entries from WSHS, had a reception on 3/2 with WIMS, had a display of all of the artwork, in partnership with band performance, really nice turnout, gave out certificates to participants • Treasurer’s Report: The previously reported balance in the PTSA’s bank account as of February 12, 2025, was \$7,162.31; The \$300 check we wrote to the ESOL Department for a mini grant in support of the ML (Multilingual Learners) field trip to Mount Vernon was cashed; The current balance in the PTSA’s bank account as of March 2, 2025, is \$6,862.31. • Milano’s Fundraiser coming up on March 11 • Teacher Appreciation – Rice & Spice, Taylor Swift Era’s Tour theme for Teacher Appreciation, open to ideas for the May events • School Board Reps will be at the April PTSA meeting • Scholarship for Success applications are open on the PTSA website – for students with IEP’s who have overcome obstacles at the school • PTSA social March 14 – looked into Ledo Pizza, Puppattella’s, and Pete’s, recommending we go back to Taco’s & Tequila, they can accommodate separate checks, have ample space, and are conveniently located, ideally looking to invite WIMS PTA as well • WSHS tour for Irving PTA members: looking for parents to volunteer, email Richard if you are interested • Teen Job Fair - Saturday, March 8 at WSHS • SEPTA updates – Special Education PTA awards nominations due March 17; volunteers needed, more information to come in eNewsletter and on our Facebook page
7:45 PM	Nominating Committee: Kelley Hempson and Tanika Campbell have already been elected, Tom Hicks raised his hand for the third seat – Approved Unanimously
7:50 PM	Membership Discussion:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Kelley & Tanika are part of WIMS PTA – FFX CTY proposed budget to eliminate all after-school activities across middle schools in the county, pulling together advocacy plan, meeting on March 11th, everyone is welcome, virtual and in-person at WIMS library ○ Elimination of all HS crossing guards – recent roundtable, uncertain of current status, may replace with police, will follow up ○ Community changes due to updates at the Federal level – how can we support people, can have social events, open to ideas; Liz Alstatt – county is looking at eliminating roughly 208 positions, not as many opportunities as a result, county has a lot of resources available (emotional, financial, etc.), has link for resource page on PTSA website, and dropped in chat ○ PTSA is an advocacy organization – encouraging people to share information and provide opportunities for people to advocate where appropriate, budget cuts, school lunch program cuts, there’s a lot to be educated on, please review advocacy materials we’re sharing and send add’l items our way to help bridge any gaps in information ○ Current head of National PTA is former parent of WSHS student, will be retiring next month, and looking to do something to honor him and his contributions
8:30 PM	Adjourn

NEXT MEETING: April 8

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