



WKHS PTO Board Meeting Minutes

October 5, 2017

WKHS Library

Meeting commenced at 7:01 pm

IN ATTENDANCE: Sherry Rosenfeld and Jennifer Small, Tamra Haurani, Burl Scott, Barb Friedman, Kelli Davis, Stacy Fields, Martin Roesch, Trent Bowers, Aric Thomas, Angela Mosaic, Michele Franke, Rochelle Kramer, Ken Nally, Doug Small, Sam Shim, Holly St. Meyer

Introduction of the Board: Sherry Rosenfeld and Jennifer Small (Co-Presidents), Tamra Haurani (Vice President), Burl Scott (Treasurer), Barb Friedman (Secretary)

Welcome Principal Aric Thomas and Superintendent Trent Bowers

Principal Thomas update:

1. The teachers are committed to learning strategies to meet four goals: create a culture of empathy and support, use informational text in all content areas, assist students with making their thinking visible, and use depth of knowledge to increase rigor. There are clear expectations and goals at Kilbourne and through the District.
 - a. Currently, there is a collaborative project with students from Shenandoah & Whitehall, that aligns with the Empathy and Support goal. A trio, one student from each school, will create a playlist that is shared. Looking forward to seeing the similarities and differences among the lists.
2. Kate Power is working on the new WKHS newsletter, and CPM math will be discussed.
3. He encourages everyone to sign up for communications via the Remind app. To sign up, text: @WKHSP to 81010.
4. Discussion about upcoming Operation Street Smart Oct. 27. A parent asked about having more locker searches as a deterrent. Trent addressed the fact that due how they have to implement it (arrange for a police dog from another community, lockdown building, etc.), it can feel like a military operation and therefore, they aren't inclined to use that approach often. Our ATOD policy has educational pieces and leveled consequences for those types of behaviors that seem to be effective. Assured that teachers are empowered to say something if they notice something.

Dr. Bowers update:

Facilities planning update:

1. Brought in company to evaluate our schools. Due to aging facilities, 7 of our schools would be candidates for replacement instead of repair to be brought up to state standards.
2. Increased enrollment: since 2012 we have gained 1000 kids and second report predicted 800-1000 increase over the next 5 years. Project Kindergarten kids will come in at 800. We don't have enough space. Added 2 modular to Worthington Hills, 4 modular to Colonial Hills. Master facility planning & task force is trying to address aging buildings, capacity for all students, balance high school enrollments.

- a. Visit the District website (<https://www.worthington.k12.oh.us/Page/3365>) for in depth information regarding the Master Facility Planning and Task Force
 - b. Trent would like us to act as ambassadors to get out the message of the plan –(ABCs) **A**ging buildings, **B**alancing high schools , **C**apacity. Capacity is the first on the list of things to fix.
3. Update on the student who had gun at Thomas. The administration was given notice by the student's employer that he had a gun at work the night prior. The Principal met with the student and recovered the gun without incident, though it was found that another student had obtained the gun from the student's backpack and posted some pictures on social media. Students who saw those pictures notified the school administration immediately. The "see something, say something" training worked perfectly. Trent made the decision to notify the TW parents via email regarding the incident. Aric Thomas then notified the Kilbourne parents. Both students behavior will be addressed per District policy, and the police are also involved.

1. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

- a. Presidents' Report – Jennifer Small and Sherry Rosenfeld
 - I. Memberships 160 = 132 parents, 28 teachers
 - II. Membership drive winners – Allison Payauys, Christie and Joe Bayer, Michael Zelch
 - III. Jenn and Sherry met with Don Taylor regarding the website and will get our site up to date
- b. PTAC Report – Jenn Small.
 - I. First meeting update: Discussions about 501 (c) (3) rules around what non-profits can and cannot do.
 - i. Overview of district goals.
 - ii. Dr. Bowers convocation speech is on website.
 - iii. Volunteer list if you need hours – support each other through fundraising, etc.
 - iv. Next meeting is October 19th at 6:45 prior to the 7:30 p.m. "Meet the Candidates" session at the WEC
- c. Principal/Assistant Principal Report: Aric Thomas/Ken Nally
 - I. Reminder this Friday (October 6) is the Battle of Hard Road "Food Fight." Bring canned goods to donate for our local food pantries and/or money to be donated to the International Lion's Club Disaster Relief Fund. Jeff Gafford, spoke at the Ohio Association of County Engineers about how he went to the road and cut a piece of asphalt. Lions Clubs commissioned the bowl to be made. When we win, we get to keep both the piece of asphalt and the bowl. Benefits food bank and cash to disaster relief.
 - II. Burl needs to buy a drop safe, asked Ken about taking care of placement. Possibilities: 1. by the mailboxes 2. room 120. Burl will obtain dimensions of box which may dictate where it can be placed.
- d. Treasurer's Report – Burl Scott. Approval of 2017-2018 Budget at next meeting.

2. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. Discussion of PTO Committees
 - I. **Student of the Month:** Tamra Haurani
 - a. October 6 @7:20.
 - II. **Socratic Society:** Tamra Haurani, November 3
 - III. **Monthly Bulletin Board:** Tamra Haurani (Kate Power is the WKHS contact)
 - IV. **Book Room:** Carol Hester, Chair
 - V. **Curriculum Liaisons:** Jenn Small/Alt. Stacie Stout
 - a. Next meeting is October 11 at 6:30 pm at the WEC
 - VI. **Fundraising:** Jennifer Small and Sherry Rosenfeld
 - a. Dewey's October/Nov – proceeds to scholarship fund

- VII. **Grounds Beautification:** Dina Biglin, Chair.
 - a. **Fall Clean Up** – PSAT date October 11 from 1:30 – 3:05
- VIII. **Hospitality:** Pam Hadden, chair
 - a. **Parent/Teacher conferences Oct 16 & 18**
 - i. **Oct 16** – Chipotle
 - ii. **Oct 18** – Volunteer dinner, look for sign up genius (85 teachers)
 - b. **Veterans Day Breakfast**
- IX. **Scholarship Review:** Dawn Cline & Pam Hadden
 - a. Call for volunteers to help screen.
 - b. Request letters to Elementary feeder schools go out this month
- X. **Spirit Wear:** Vicky Thompson
 - a. Online sales update, November holiday sale 73 families ordered at the beg of the year.
- XI. **Community Fund:**
- XII. **Facilities Planning Task Force:** Doug Small,
 - a. A lot of learning about other buildings through being on the committee, for example, some buildings don't have air conditioning; some are block in design so don't have flexibility in configuration. etc.
 - b. When the final decisions are made, there are wins in every level for the students (fixing some problems – air conditioning, trying to create a common experience in every school, etc.). Community driven process overall.

- 2. Unfinished Business
- 3. New Business
- 4. Announcements: Next PTO meeting is Wednesday, November 1 at 7:00 p.m. in room 120

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.