

**WT Woodson PTSO Meeting**  
**April 10, 2018, 7:00 PM in the Library**

**In Attendance:**

Dr. Floyd, Raquel Bishop, Melissa French, Amy Sine, Bruce Waxman, Stacey Brahmey, Shawn Guth, Liza Cooley, Pam Hardin, Megan Tidwell, Karen Heyda Jackson, Elena Theobald, Mary Beth Quick, Betsy Miles, Alan Anderson, Michelle Lucas, Joanne Ladino, Jennifer Pryor-Abraham

**1. Call to order**

**2. Principal/AP Report**

- a. **Dr. Floyd** announced that the Art Show is almost up in the Aux. room. There will be students going all over the world over Spring Break. She noted that the end of the quarter will be at the end of the week and grades should be able to be seen in real time. Mindfulness moments were started this week during announcements that included breathing exercises for students going into this stressful time of year. Tests will start soon and AP and SOL tests will overlap. Dr. Floyd asked parents to remind kids to breath and sleep. There are some staff updates: Mr. Etenberg is retiring at the end of the summer, AP Yarborough will be moving jobs within the county. Tomorrow is the National Right to Life School Walk Out at 10:00 am. Since this is not during returns, students will be marked unexcused if they choose to participate. She stated that she has no problem with peaceful protests, but it is during school time. The Spring Pep Rally will be tomorrow. She noted that the next walk out is April 20<sup>th</sup>. The students want to walk out at 10:00 am and stay out the whole day. She stated that choices have consequences and the students that choose to leave will not be allowed to participate in sports or use the school property. They have talked to the kids about other options such as writing letters to their congressman and the staff has been continually talking to the students about choices.
- b. **Stacey Brahmey** said that Teacher Appreciation luncheon is coming along nicely. Volunteers have started signing up. Stacey said that Red, Hot and Blue will be catering lunch from 11:20-1:20 on Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. Melissa asked if everyone saw the sign up genius and noted that it was in the Wemail. Dr Floyd said that she could slide it into her email to help get the word out. Melissa asked what else we could do to get the word out. Karen stated that some parents put information out on Blackboard. Elena mentioned that her community uses FB. Shawn suggested we have a rep for each community that can get the word out.

**3. Officer's Report**

- a. **President –Raquel Bishop** gave ab update on the PTSO positions. We are still in need of a 2<sup>nd</sup> VP. She presented the board for next year: President: Melissa French, VP: Kristin Driscoll, Treasurer: Michelle Byman, Secretary: Michelle Lucas, Communications: Sarah Mastro. Melissa stated that we did not secure a nominating committee. We will put it in the Wemail and if anyone knows of anyone interested in any position, please let us know. She said that we will capture the names in the minutes and vote in May.
- b. **1<sup>st</sup> VP -- Membership – Melissa French** said that we have gotten a few additional memberships. We also had another fulfillment for teachers supplies (10). Celeste Felsberg filled all the bags for us. If we have time, we will do one more in the spring and we will continue next year. Shawn Guth mentioned that the teachers loved the supplies and were happy with it. She asked

if we could do a survey to ask what they need. Melissa said that we did that and we will continue to let the teachers know. Raquel noted that we talked last month about having better communications with the teachers. Dr Floyd mentioned that the teachers will be getting paid on an 11 month cycle next year, so that could possibly help with beginning of school memberships.

- c. **Treasurer-- Kristin Driscoll** (not present): Raquel Bishop noted that the budget is up front for everyone to see.
- d. **Secretary—Amy Sine** asked for a motion to approve the March minutes. Shawn Guth was 1<sup>st</sup>, Joanne Ladino was 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried.

#### 4. Other Reports

- a. **Teacher Representative—Liza Cooley** no new business.
- b. **Student Reps**—no student reps
- c. **Student Driver Magnets— Cathy Swanton** (not present)--Amy Sine read the following: We had \$56 in sales at the March Parent-Teen Driver Course. Katherine and Shane Gilbert, who are taking over the program, came to introduce themselves and learn a little about when, where and how the sales go for the program. There is one more driving class in May before the school year ends. Mr. Duffy said next year Woodson will host only four classes in the 2018-2019 school year. Melissa and Shawn both mentioned how much the kids love Mr. Duffy and what a great job he does.
- d. **Milk and Cookies—Shannon Murphy** (not present)—Amy Sine read the following: The next Milk and Cookies will be held Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> as part of stress less/laugh more week.
- e. **Stress Less Laugh More—Mary Beth Quick** said that we are donating 50 gift cards to give out to students. Other money will be going to an ice cream event. Stress less/laugh more will be April 23-27. On April 24<sup>th</sup>, there will be mindfulness sessions during lunch. On April 23<sup>rd</sup>, there will be a staff self-care day that will include massage therapists and dogs for the teachers. Raquel mentioned that she knows someone with an ice cream truck and she will get the info to Mary Beth. Elena said that Elizabeth reached out to her to ask for help with more donations for gift cards and ice cream. If we have enough, that's great. Elena just wanted to see if the PTSO could help further. Mary Beth asked if Elizabeth was asking for additional donations on top of what they already have. Dr. Floyd notes that PTSO donates once a year and that is sufficient.
- f. **CAV Cruise—Megan Tidwell** introduced herself and said that we are sitting at around 260 sign ups. They had the Cav Cruise kick off this past week. The T-shirts will be given out Thursday and Friday during lunch. She said that this week, they pushed out sign ups for food and volunteers. We need more than 300 volunteers from all classes. The 2 shifts run 10p-2a and 2a-6a for those working the event. Raquel stated that it is advantageous for underclass parents to volunteer and see what the CAV Cruise is all about. She also mentioned that she would love to see the Cruise with a different name. Megan asks that all of us reach out to different groups for volunteer. There are still yard signs available for \$20.

- 5. **Old Business**—Joanne Ladino thanked Shawn Guth for the T-Shirts for the special needs event. She said that she can't stress enough the importance for everyone to support the special needs kids. It is so exciting to see the kids having fun and amazing energy. She said that Shawn went out of her

way and the kids had a blast. Raquel thanked Joanne for making the event happen. Shawn asked about the Culture Club. Dr. Floyd said that it was a fun event and the food was very good and the kids dressed up.

6. **New Business**— Melissa asked how baccalaureate was going. Pam Hardin said they have had 2 meetings with 6 volunteers. They talked about themes and key note speakers. They are going to send out a survey to gather other ideas. Dr Floyd said that other surveys have gone out regarding other events, but they can still send another one. Pam said she was hoping to add to one of the other surveys. The Wemail has asked for people to join the committee, but they have only gotten 2 hits. Megan said they were sending an email out about CAV Cruise and Pam could add her info to their email. Raquel noted that we will announce the slate for the new PTSO Board at the next meeting. Karen mentioned the Art Show and to go see it.
7. **Adjournment**—7:48. Next meeting is May 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the library.