

**West High School PTSA
Regular Meeting
Thursday, March 18, 2010 5:30 pm
West High Conference Room
1700 Hillcrest Drive, Anchorage, Alaska**

Meeting called to order: Robert Harris called the meeting to order.

Members and Guests Present: Sharon Weddleton, Rick Stone, Colleen Leibert, Michele Whaley, Michele Schuh, Barbara Kraft, Paul Verrier, Barb Verrier, Ann McCamant, Tracie Pierce, Brooke Marston, Celia Rozen, Katy Barloon, William Hanson, Robert Harris, Dayle Sherba, Jon Derman Harris, Linda Woodard, Cheri Marston

Quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda: Agenda was approved.

Approval of Past Minutes: Minutes from February 11, 2010 were approved with a few minor changes.

Parent Concerns: It was reported that ice and snow keep building up on the steps to the gym. Someone wanted to know how to find registration information for fall.

REPORTS:

1. **Principal's Report:** Rick Stone updated [the board on](#) many topics some of which were: WHS won State for Hockey, Thursday is Parent-Teacher Conferences, no school this Friday, Girl's Basketball was 2nd and Boy's won State, Honor Roll Program just occurred, Graduation is coming soon and it is one of the largest classes at almost 400 students, Testing is in April, WHS received the NW Accreditation, there are 10 National Merit Scholars at West more than any other school in the State, West/Bartlett did a successful combined trip to Costa Rica, the Alaska Supreme Court was held at WHS and the Freshman Fair had a good turn out.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** Tracie Pierce handed out a prepared balance sheet as of today and the overall total in cash was \$8,423.09. It was requested that PTSA fund snacks for the students while they are testing. There are approximately 600 students and the request was made for up to \$800.
3. **Eagle's Cache Committee Report:** Michele Schuh E-mailed the report that summarized the average day of sales was \$301 and the highest sale day was \$338.

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Year to date the EC is 1% lower in sales than last year. YTD revenue is \$37,200.!!
Need more volunteers for next year. Issue with the coolers: Odom supplied and they want them back or for us to buy their products. Other option is Bill's Supply Company will give us coolers.

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4. **eScrip Committee Report:** Celia Rozen prepared a summary thru today and eScrip now has 966 supporters. Additional ones were gained at Freshman Fair and thru Choir. Celia drafted a letter to mail out to prospective supporters that we only had a phone number for and to encourage them to contact Safeway, get their Carr's Club number and resubmit their form with WHS. Great idea!

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5. **Nominating Committee:** Robert Harris suggested it would be ideal to have two members for every open position for the PTSA Officers. The committee was still collecting names for positions. Elections will be held at the May Membership Meeting. Refer to the handout.

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OLD BUSINESS: None was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Grant Applications:**

- a) Angela Powell still requests \$1,000 for the Caps for Chemo Program. No new information was provided. This request is still tabled from last meeting. PTSA did an announcement requesting donations of supplies.
- b) Andrew Zartman still requests \$3,000 for ten NetBooks for math club, Robotics and area 51. Principal Stone was planning to talk to him about his needs and possible NetBooks the school was getting and this request continued to be tabled pending more information.
- c) Michele Whaley requested \$600 for Conference fees to attend a Teaching Proficiency Through Reading and Storytelling (TPRS) this June. She intends to share her new information with other teachers when she returns. A motion was made and passed that we would fund up to \$600 if the World Language Department was unable to do so.
- d) Mike Curry still requests \$2,500 for two projectors to be used with computers for classroom use. This request was continued to be tabled pending further discussion with Mike Curry.
- e) Katy Barloon requested \$2,000 seed money on behalf of the Boy's Basketball program for their concession stand. The concession stand is entirely run by volunteers and it is the program's largest fund raiser. Many other ideas were discussed and this request was tabled for next month.

- f) HSGQE testing is the first week of April and the school requested \$800 for snacks that student government would organize and provide to every classroom. The motion was made and approved.

Announcements:

Thursday, March 25 is Parent-Teacher Conferences and the Teacher Appreciation Lunch. Tracie Pierce was organizing the event and was soliciting food and assistance. See handout.

Thursday, April 1 is the West-Romig Master Plan Forum to be held at Romig Jr. High.

March is Brain Injury Month. Be Safe.

IDEA Program-Robert Harris spoke about the value of involving parents in the classrooms and possibly providing a stipend to the teachers.

Tracie Pierce passed out a WHS Sports Uniform Rotation Schedule. This is intended to be a guide to use as we consider future funding.

No summer school will be held at WHS due to the sprinkler system and the remodeling going on.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:10 pm by Robert Harris.

Next Meeting: April 8, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

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