



## MINUTES

Issaquah PTSA Council 2.6  
General Membership Meeting  
Thursday, May 17, 2018  
Pickering Barn  
9:40am-11:15pm

### **Call to Order**

Call to order 9:48 a.m. 37 people signed in; 20 of 24 schools were represented. Proper meeting notice was given. **Quorum Present.**

### **President's Report –Leslie Kahler and Becky Gordon**

- Leslie thanked the Budget Committee (Erin Eaton, Laila Collins, Leslie Kahler and Wendy Shah), the Luncheon Planning Committee (Laila Collins, Ina Ghangurde, Wendy Shah, Korista Smith-Barney, Leah Gibson and Laurelle Graves), and the Staff Appreciation Committee (Kim Weiss, Wendy Shah, and Nicole Morgan).
- The meeting on Thursday, June 7<sup>th</sup> will be training only. The topic is *Managing your Non-Profit*. Training will be from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, and will be at the District Admin Building. This is a great opportunity for your elected and appointed board members for the 2018/2019 school year to complete their training requirement.
- A link to the Council survey was sent earlier this week. Please take time to complete this survey as the information provided helps the Council Board plan for next year.
- The Back to School Conference is scheduled for Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>. Bellevue High School is the tentative location.
- Leslie is currently working with Facilities on securing space for next year's Council meetings. They will follow the same pattern as this year, with December and June reserved for training. Meetings will be held at the current District Administration building or the new Administration building. Our Savior Lutheran Church will be reserved as a back-up space.
- We need help cleaning up after lunch as we need to be out of the space by 1:00.

### **Consent Agenda – Leslie Kahler**

Consent Agenda was presented.

**MOTION: Cindy Kelm motioned to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion seconded; motion carries.**

### **Secretary – Erin Thacker**

The April meeting minutes were included in the Consent Agenda and will be filed as presented. All Local Unit Presidents were reminded to send names and contact information for their elected officers and key chair positions by June 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Treasurer's Report – Erin Eaton**

The April 2018 Treasurer's Report was included in the Consent Agenda and will be filed as presented. Beginning balance was \$33,400.34 and the ending balance was \$32,329.37.

Laila Collins presented the 2018/2019 Budget. Council dues have been left the same, and the carryover will be \$11,315.00.

**MOTION: Ina Ghangurde motioned to accept the 2018/2019 Budget as presented. Motion seconded; motion carries.**

**Standing Rules – Leslie Kahler and Becky Gordon**

The proposed changes to the Standing Rules were reviewed. The major changes are:

- VP of Middle Schools and High Schools have been combined into one Board position;
- Councils fees have been added;
- Changed references to Healthy Youth Initiative to Influence the Choice;
- Candidates for VP of Elementary Schools or VP of Middle/High Schools should have previously been a President at a Local Unit level.

**MOTION: Laurelle Graves motioned to accept the proposed changes to the Standing Rules. Motion seconded; motion carries.**

**Best Practices – Korista Smith-Barney**

- A preliminary 2018-2019 budget to your board for a vote by your Budget Committee. An interim budget must be voted on by your membership before June 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Once your officers for 2018-2019 are elected:
  1. Send officer names and contact information to Council
  2. Send information to WSPTA you will receive the instructions from them through an email along with instructions to close out PT Avenue
  3. Survey membership to identify priorities for the coming year. This will help you plan your budget for next year, and give you time to discuss/implement changes suggested by your membership.
- WSPTA Convention is May 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> in Vancouver, WA. You can register online at [www.wastatepta.org](http://www.wastatepta.org). All elected officers are required to attend at least one WSPTA approved training annually, and this is a great opportunity to complete that requirement. At least one elected board member must attend PTA and the Law each year, which is available at Convention.
- If your PTA Incorporated in May, your annual Corporation Renewal is due on May 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Charitable Solicitations are due on May 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Membership – Erin Eaton**

No report.

**Advocacy – Leslie Kahler**

No report.

**Staff Appreciation – Kim Weiss, Wendy Shah, Nicole Morgan**

Membership was thanked for their generous monetary donations at April's meeting. The staff appreciation lunch was held at Echo Glen yesterday. ACT staff will have a breakfast on Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Committee Reports**

**Art in Schools – Laurelle Graves**

No report.

**FACE – Ina Ghangurde**

No report.

**Influence the Choice – Andie Adee**

A list of the winners of the 2018 Influence the Choice Video Contest is posted on the Influence the Choice website ([www.influencethechoice.org](http://www.influencethechoice.org)). Forty videos were submitted by students from throughout the District. Shane Elledge from Liberty High School was the overall winner.

**Issaquah Schools Foundation (ISF) – Valerie Yanni**

No report.

**VIS – Dawn Peschek**

No report.

**Outreach** – *Kim Weiss and Kristen Slocum*

There are fliers in each Local Unit's folder for Tools4School. To better serve students and volunteers, only pre-packed supply kits from Supply All Kids will be used. Donations of loose school supplies will not be collected; however, donations of new, empty backpacks will still be collected and are greatly appreciated. . Donations can be made online at <https://supplyallkids.com/#/donate/isf> until July 28<sup>th</sup>. Tools4School will be held at Clark Elementary on August 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. Registration currently isn't live, but will be soon. The Wellness Fair & BBQ will be held at Eastridge Church, on a separate date, which has not yet been determined.

The Summer Lunch Program through the Issaquah Food and Clothing Bank will run from June 21<sup>st</sup> till August 30<sup>th</sup>. Donations of food, cash, paper grocery bags and volunteers are needed. Registered recipients will receive a week's worth of breakfast, lunch and snacks, including perishable items such as sliced cheese, lunch meat and produce. Registration and donation information can be found in the IFCB website [www.issaquahfoodbank.org](http://www.issaquahfoodbank.org).

**ParentWiser** – *Heidi Fuhs*

No report.

**Reflections** – *Leah Gibson*

Ben Eskenazi from Issaquah High School received a National PTA Award of Excellence in the High School Division for his photograph, *Above the Below*.

**STAR/Special Ed** – *Carrie Hipsher*

No report.

**Webmaster** – *Cindy Kelm*

No report.

**District Updates**

**Issaquah Education Association (IEA) President, Doug Jones**

Doug Jones announced Gary Arthur as his successor as IEA President, and thanked Issaquah PTSA Council for their support over the years. This is a contract bargaining year, and common complaint amongst ISD teachers is the high cost of living in the area. It is particularly difficult for young teachers to come to Issaquah School District due to the high cost of living.

[Meeting adjourned](#): 10:21 am

Submitted by:

Erin Thacker

Secretary, Issaquah PTSA Council 2.6