

Jackson High School PTSA 7.3.95
PTSA Meeting April 9, 2014

Call to Order: PTSA Co-President Mary Lou Evans called the Jackson High School PTSA to order at 7:05pm in the school career center.

Attendance: Co-Presidents Loran Bond & Mary Lou Evans, VP Membership Meggin Podnar, Treasurer Sandi Mak, Co-Secretaries Brandi Lind & Nicki Gorski, JLC Liaisons Linda Pazevic & Lisa Steckler, Newsletter Publisher Kathryn Lee, Scholarships Angela Steck, Staff Representative Susan Brown and Principal Dave Peters. Also present were Peter Scott, Fatima Mohamed, Lynn Evans and Laura Gothro.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the Mar 5, 2014 meeting were reviewed.

MOTION: Mary Lou Evans motioned to approve the minutes as written. Motion seconded. Motion accepted.

Guest Speakers: Peter Scott, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning (South Zone) Everett School District & Lynn Evans, Executive Director of Human Resources for Everett School District spent about 35 minutes providing a presentation regarding the upcoming Bond vote. They went into great detail about how the district will utilize the bond funds should the measure pass and why the bond is necessary for our growing and aging school district.

Financial Report Sandi Mak gave the treasurer's report. She reviewed income and expenses since the March meeting. Sandi reported income Pass the Hat and Escrip. Expenses for the month undesignated grants in the amount of \$200 for band instruments as decided at the March meeting. Total income for the year is below budget as no money has come in from sales of advertising space in the planners. PTSA is still waiting for the classes of 2014 and 2016 to pay for last summer's class mailings. She reported the current checking account balance is \$11,407.85 and savings balance is \$15,582.54. The financial report will be filed for audit with total current assets of \$26,990.39. No claims were made to the PTSA insurance this month. Financial books were available for review at this meeting.

Principal's Report: Dave Peters

- Dave reports that pre-registration numbers are in and it is expected that 3.3 staff members will be added to next years staff in addition to 4 new portables. The incoming freshman class is expected to be about 575 students, only a few less than the current year's freshman class size.
- Several teachers are being sent to the AP institute this summer due to increased student interest in AP classes. Last year, 35-37% of Jackson juniors and seniors took at least one AP class as compared to 60% of juniors and seniors plan to take at least one AP class next year.
- Alyssa Morgan is a new staff member at Jackson who started this week. Her position is Student Support Advocate and the position is paid through a grant. Alyssa will take a role more similar to a social worker providing students assistance with mental health services and court issues as opposed to more academic issues.

Presidents' Message: Loran Bond and Mary Lou Evans

- The Everett Council PTSA has sent a request asking our PTSA to donate a gift card or cash for their Gift Card Basket they are donating to be raffled at PTSA Convention. Monies raised from the raffle will support scholarships.

MOTION: Linda Pazevic motioned to donate \$100 to the Everett Council PTSA using funds previously allocated to Administrative Supply in the budget. Motion seconded. Motion accepted.

- A request was made by potential incoming board members that the PTSA cover the costs of hotel, parking and food per diems for individuals who attend the PTSA conference in Bellevue. The cost of the registration for convention is already covered in our budget.

MOTION: Linda Pazevic motioned to cover up to \$160 in additional expenses such as \$20 food per diem and parking to be paid out of monies budgeted for Workshops and Conferences and the Presidents' discretionary fund. Motion seconded. Motion accepted.

Staff Representative: Susan Brown

- Rick Wigre provided a list of students who won honors at the 2014 TSA State Conference. Over 20 students will be going to nationals (anyone who placed 3rd place or higher). Rick Wigre was recently named the 2014 Harold Richards Advisor of the Year for Washington State. The 2014 Black and White Photography Contest is showing through April at the Shack Gallery. Finally the ESD 189 Regional Art Contest for OSPI is now showing in Olympia at OSPI.
- Pilar Reiman's Spanish III students are reading the book about Salvador "Vida y Muerte en la Mara Salvatrucha". The book talks about gangs and violence and encourages students to make connections to the world around them.

Her Heritage Speakers students are reading their Mother's Day story books in class this week. Students created their own books and illustrations. Spanish I students are learning about chores and learning to express how they feel about them.

- Gail Walters says that Project Green has set up a composting/recycling center in the school cafeteria. Students can now recycle their milk cartons, cans and bottles and compost their food, paper plates, napkins, lunch bags and food "boats". The club is monitoring and advertising the center.
- Kelly Dietsch announces that JHS juniors McKenzie Day and Paul Schastlivets have been awarded the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange (CBYX) Scholarship to study in Germany next year for the year. The scholarships are funded by the U.S. State Department and the German government and have a monetary value of \$15,000 each.
- Alan Briggs reports that three days before Spring Break, ASB students held miracle minutes at lunch to raise money for the Oso families. \$697.63 has been raised.

Old Business:

A. Nominating Committee: Mary Lou Evans and Meggin Podnar presented the following slate for the Executive Committee for the 2014-15 school year:

President: Denise Constantineau

VP-Membership: Meggin Podnar and Thuy Hudson

AP- Ways and Means: Angela Steck

Treasurer: Michelle Nims

Secretary: Brandi Lind and Tammy Botham

MOTION: Linda Pazevic motioned to elect the entire slate of individuals as recommended as the 2014-15 PTSA Executive Committee. Motion seconded. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Scholarship: Angela Steck reported \$1200 in donations has come in from feeder schools. She is still waiting to hear back from a few schools. \$400 scholarships will be given by the PTSA this year. The deadline for scholarship applications is April 24th. An email will be sent out by PTSA to all senior families to let them know about the PTSA scholarships and the new deadline.

Staff Appreciation: The next staff luncheon will be next Wednesday, April 16th. It will be a Hawaiian Luau featuring pulled pork sandwiches. The last two luncheons of the school year will be May 14th and June 11th.

Reflections: No report.

Membership: Meggin Podnar reported there have been three new memberships this month for a total of 407 members.

Programs: No report.

Ways and Means: No report.

Wolf Tracks: Kathryn Lee reported that the deadline for the next edition of Wolf Tracks is Monday, April 21st.

JLC: No report.

Announcements:

- Rose Gifford sent a Thank You note to the PTSA for the printer. She said she had received a \$500 discount when ordering the printer and the extra \$500 was then used to purchase supplies for the printer.
- Lisa Steckler announced that the Jazz Bands from Jackson, Heatherwood and Gateway would be sponsoring a Swing Dance on Saturday, April 19th. Arthur Murray will be there at 6:15pm to give swing dance lessons. The dance will start at JHS at 7pm and is \$5 per person or \$20 per family.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:43pm by Mary Lou Evans. The next meeting will be May 7, 2014 at 7:00pm in the Jackson High School Career Center.

Minutes submitted by Brandi Lind, Co-Secretary