West High School

Parent Teacher Student Association

Meeting Minutes

January 6, 2021

1. Welcome

2. Business Items
   a. Approved Dec. 2020 Minutes
   b. Treasurer’s Report - Bethany Johnson
      i. No activity in Dec.
      ii. Received a check from basketball for $250 from buying the leftover masks.
      iii. PTSA donated $1100 to West High to help fund AP exams for students in need
      iv. $4000 balance
         1. Still needing funding this school year
            a. Grad Night may happen and will need to be funded
            b. Teacher Appreciation for the rest of the year

3. Principal’s Report - no admin. in attendance tonight

4. Board Meeting - Katherine Kennedy
   a. Katherine gave us an update on last night’s board meeting.
      i. Salt Lake School Board elections.
      ii. Bryant partnering with SLCSE elementary.
      iii. Passed resolution to open high school tied to teachers receiving the vaccine.
          Opening will depend on the superintendent and board’s approval so there’s no
t          date yet.
          1. The majority of Katherine’s responses to the board’s decision were for
             staying as remote learning.

5. West PTSA Committees
   a. PT Conference Meals - keep in mind in case in-person resumes before March 4th
      i. Parents are concerned they’re not meeting with term 2 teachers.
         Parents/guardians can request a meeting with any teacher.
   b. Reflections - Sandra Marsh
      i. Budget was $500 & PTSA spent $400. Certificates & Amazon gift cards were sent
t         to everyone who participated based on award level. Ms. Delfin asked to have a
         presentation of some kind & is working with Heather May to make it happen.
   c. Teacher Appreciation - Kim
      i. $267.50 for honey & Katherine heard the teachers really appreciated it.
      ii. Bought Utah truffles on sale for $36 at Costco to do something in the near future.
d. Grad Night - Sandra
   i. We need a Grad Night chair.
   ii. We need to know about the Salt Lake County grant & see if it’s available this year and if so, the deadline to apply.
   iii. Boondocks is only open Wednesday through Saturday, so Sandra will call them this week to see if it’s possible to reserve it.
   iv. Katherine checked the calendar & found June 4th as the current graduation date. Due to the delayed school start this year, the date may change based on making up the missed school days.
   v. PTSA needs to reserve busses through the district.

e. Student Rep - Matej was not able to attend tonight

f. Teacher Rep - Kathy was not in attendance tonight

g. Communication - Paul
   i. West needs one central location for information. Paul doesn’t want to step on West High’s toes in what they’re trying to do. Paul is working on fixing the link to submit an announcement which is currently broken. A field needs to be added for more information to explain the announcement or a change to the current field to allow more characters. He is waiting to hear back from admin.

h. Fundraising - Sandra
   i. Sandra reached out to restaurants again this month & is not finding businesses who can afford to give away even the 10% for a fundraiser.

6. Review Calendar
   a. March 4 – Parent Teacher Conferences
   b. May – Teacher Appreciation Week
   c. June 4 – Commencement & Grad Night

7. Questions? Comments?
   a. Check in on adding more time in between classes for students to get up and move: School Community Council (SCC) discussed shortening the class period to give more time to get up and move, but it was dropped with the recent talk of returning to school. West would need to work with other high schools to coordinate with students to attend other high schools for CTE classes.
   b. Rebuilding West: PTSA needs to discuss what we would like to advocate for when discussions about rebuilding West begin. One past idea would be a Community Learning Centers (CLC) with resources for West families - showers, laundry, medical services & screenings, dental chairs, food pantry, centralized on-site college planning & counseling, PTSA space & role, parenting classes, clothing swaps, etc. Community donations often help fund CLCs. Bethany is interested in approaching construction companies but would like to know more specifically what West High would need. CLCs are ran by the
community for the community. Some of our elementary schools have CLCs. Would West want a separate building? West High has the largest land of the three high schools, so we have options to explore. Kim's husband helped design the new high schools in Granite School District & can be of assistance. PTSA members can look into touring CLCs as long as safety & social distancing can be enforced.

c. West high’s PTSA needs to fill positions for the next school year!

8. Adjourned. Next Meeting: Feb. 3rd 5:30pm via Zoom