



Washington Junior High School

Home and School Board Meeting **Minutes**  
October 26, 2022 @ 7pm (ZOOM)

The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm. Those present were Mr. Vogel, Tammy Schultz, Carrie Schrock, Naomi Wattles, Amity Caile, Anne Metzger, Betty Mikula, Kathryn Pegorsch, Melinda Watson, Rob, Jenn's Iphone 13, Rob Amato, Suzy Sharp, Tom Casey. (Attendance taken based on Zoom Names)

The President's Report was given by Tammy Schultz.

1. Welcome to our special guest, Board of Education member, Tony Casey (who will be speaking next)
2. Lots of thank yous tonight - Thank you to the Staff Appreciation Committee for ongoing staff gifts, Suzy Sharp, Shannon Olsen, Melissa Nio and Amy Amato. Thank you to the Family Communication Committee for updating Directory Spot, Dana Reichardt. Thank you to the Lost and Found Committee, Carrie Schrock and JT Toms. Thank you to the SOAR Committee, Katie Minott. Thank you to SFCP for Fall events, Jessica Jamrosz and Katie Minott. Thank you to the Fall Fundraiser Committee, Naomi Wattles and Jepharya Badie. We have reached the conclusion of Fall Fundraiser, so thank you to everyone for their support of this program.
3. Updated Home and School website is now up.
4. The Facebook page is WJHS Home and School Association. Please "Like" and follow and tell your friends!
5. The Wishlist procedure has started with our Executive Board meeting today. Once this is organized, the list will be presented for a vote at the November meeting.
6. General Home and School information. The Home and School Fall 2022 Survey was sent out and is due in early November. Please take time to fill this out for each child. This is also in the Wildcat Weekly - your feedback is important. The Career Motiv-8 event was a big success for our 8th graders.
7. Upcoming events:
  - A. Halloween: October 31
  - B. Fall Choral Concert: November 1
  - C. Fall Orchestra Concert: November 3
  - D. Instead of a Dec H&M meeting, we will be providing the staff with a holiday meal. Volunteers and donations will be needed for this.

School Board Member Tony Casey briefly spoke to and offered an opportunity for Q&A. Our district offers a program where a board member adopts a school and stands as their liaison for the year. Mr. Casey is a 1996 grad of NCHS and was appointed March 2021.

The Vice President's Report was given by Kathryn Pegorsch. Vision & Hearing Screening is scheduled for next week. Thanks in advance to all those who have signed up to volunteer for this event.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Anne Metzger. The financial reports were presented for July - September 2022. Suzy Sharp made a motion to approve the financials. Betty Mikula made a second. The financials were unanimously approved. The bank balance as of Sept 30th was \$44,723.33.

The Secretary's Report was given by Carrie Schrock. August and September meeting minutes were presented for approval. Tammy made a motion to approve the minutes and Naomi seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved. \*Carrie made her committee reports at this time as well.

The Principal's Report was given by Mr. Vogel. We have an author visit scheduled. Fall sports have wrapped up. 8th grade A volleyball won the conference. 7th grade flag football finished 2nd. This week boys basketball and wrestling started. We are currently celebrating Spirit Week and will wrap that up with allowing costumes on Monday for Halloween. The staff members will be dressed with the theme "Decades". We have a Veteran's Day Assembly planned. If you have a veteran in your family, please forward pictures to be posted. The glass has been installed in the LC as well as a video studio.

#### Committee Reports:

\*Carrie reported that the Lost and Found is overflowing. Please remind your kids to check it regularly. Also Family Connection will be collecting non-perishable food items for our families in need this Thanksgiving season. Watch for a SignUp Genius. Suzy offered her SOAR group to assist with the donations.

\*Naomi reported that the Fall Fundraiser was a big success. We had 24% overall participation, the highest in the district. 75 students qualified for the field trip and our gross was \$63,440.

\*Suzy reported that H&S is providing gifts for food this month for Custodial & Occupational Therapist Appreciation Days and In November, School Psychologist & Educational Support Staff Days. Customarily we provide food for the staff during parent/teacher conferences, but since these were once again via Zoom, we did not do this. Instead, it was decided to provide a caramel apple bar, (complete with apples and a variant of toppings) for the teachers next week.

\*Betty reported that Spirit Wear is still open and that this is a great Christmas gift idea for incoming 6th graders. SOAR is underway and has been very well attended. This month they had a therapist speak about anxiety and coping mechanisms and the students did yoga. Next month they hope to have a representative from GROW Therapy speak about navigating middle school relationships.

Amity made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Kathryn seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36pm

**Our NEXT MEETING will be November 17th @ 8:30 am in the conference room.**