

PSTO Minutes from October 14, 2008

President JoAnn Miller called the meeting to order .

Administrative Report: Jerry Arganbright

- ITEDS will be taken by 9th-11th graders week of Oct 20. Seniors don't come to school during testing.
- PSAT tests will be taken by 400 sophomore and juniors.
- 135 students are AP scholars taking AP classes and scoring fives.
- A robocall will be made to homes announcing the hiring of school security officer Brian Shimon. He will be working 10:30-7:00 which will help with after school supervision.
- Bids are out for improvements in campus lighting.
- Current enrollment is 1752.

Faculty: Brady Shutt

- Thanks to PSTO for help during conferences.
- ITEDS will be held week of Oct.20.
- Thanks to PSTO for purchasing items from teacher's wish list last spring.
- Homecoming was a success with activities ongoing all week and about 1100 students attending the dance.
- Student Senate will be hosting a food drive between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Student Senate Representative: No report

Treasurer: Christy Fehlberg

- Bills were paid out for the non teaching staff appreciation gifts and printing costs for the directory.

Secretary: Becky Leaven

- October minutes approved with correction of 29 students were National Merit Semi-Finalists

President: JoAnn Miller

- Introduced Havilah Meinel, drama director

Vice President: Jackie Brennan, no report

Directory: Jennifer Noser

- Thanks to those who helped sell directories and to Dominic Audia for website support.
- Income from directory sales was \$1250.00

Staff Appreciation: Barb Reck

- There is now a contact parent for sophomore class.
- Chili and subs were served to teachers on conference days .
- Nov. 11, breakfast will be served to teachers on no school day.

Hospitality: Tracy Nye

- Thanks to students who helped volunteer at conferences.

DPO: Helene Donta

- Lane Plugge spoke at the September meeting on the state of the district.
- The flood did not affect district facilities. 91 students were affected by the flood.
- West High will be hosting some of the events that were scheduled to be presented at Hancher.
- ACT test composite score of 25.4 was the highest ever in the district.
- October meeting will be Lemme PTA president speaking on points of a successful PTA.
- West High will host the December DPO meeting.
- An architect firm has been hired to put together a 10 year plan for facilities.

Fine Arts: JoAnn Miller

- Written report was shared.

Landscaping: Jackie Brennan

- Three trees have been planted and 3 large rocks have been placed in the courtyard.

Club West: Jennifer Noser

- There are 300 members of Club West.
- November 11 will be all fall sports banquet.

Volunteer Coordinator: No report.

New business: JoAnn Miller

- A request was made from Ann Feldman for a representative from West for a committee for naming the new elementary school. Connie Hippee agreed to be our representative.

- December PSTO meeting cancelled. The November meeting will be the 18th due to no school on the 11th.
- A wish list request form was made by Jackie to streamline the application process.
- Molly Abraham gave a power point instruction on the new Power School product which has replaced Center Point. Students have different log-in than parents but they see the same screen. There are links to teachers, attendance, and grades for each class. You can e-mail the teacher directly from this link. Students should have brought home parent's log-in.

Program: Havilah Meinel

- Theater West will present "Once Upon a Mattress" on Dec4-6. Fifty five cast members will present 18 musical numbers. There is a need for parent volunteers to help out in many areas including painting, costumes, and providing snacks for students during rehearsals.
- Due to the relationship with West and the University during the aftermath of the flood, West has received approval for \$50,000-\$60,000 of upgrade in lighting in the Little Theater.

Old business: JoAnn Millers

- The budget for 2008-2009 was approved.
- PSTO donations are down but directory sales were up.
- We need a committee to work with Christian Aanestad to plan the student art show and awards. A showing will be planned around the musical being held the weekend of Dec 4. With the awards moving from spring to fall, the students will be able to include them in their portfolios. Mary Moye-Rowley has agreed to be part of the committee. Carol Neel volunteered and Lydia Peller may also help. JoAnn will coordinate the committee.

Meeting was adjourned. Attendees: Christy Fehlberg, Brady Shutt, JoAnn Miller, Jennifer Noser, Louise Wolf-Novak, Jerry Arganbright, Carolyn Johnson, Becky Leaven, Jackie Brennan, Molly Abraham, Karle Grimsman, Cheryl Richmond, Lydia Peller, Mary Mockaitis, Carol Neel, Barb Reck, Havilah Meinel, Amy Nicholson, Helene Donta

Respectfully submitted, Becky Leaven