

Issaquah Middle School PTSA General Membership Meeting Minutes

Issaquah City Hall Eagle Room

October 16, 2007

Proper notice was given to all members—quorum present

Call to Order and Welcome: President Mila Hover called meeting to order at 9:40 am

Approval of Minutes: Alison Barthenheier moved to accept the September 18, 2007 minutes as written. The motion was seconded and approved.

President's Report:

- Last May, we approved the funding request for 28 ACTIVboards up to \$50,000 contingent upon funds raised from an approved fundraising plan. IMS staff would like the flexibility to purchase interactive voting mechanisms (i.e. eggs) and/or ACTIVboards. Susan Hegedus moved to amend the funding request for 28 ACTIVboards approved on May 22, 2007 to allow the IMS staff, at their discretion, to purchase ACTIVboards and/or sets of interactive voting mechanisms. The motion was seconded and approved.
- The Issaquah PTSA Council is considering setting up an electronic directory. Our feedback is positive as long as the directory is password protected and generic email addresses are used.
- Blair Baumer moved to amend the 2007-8 budget to add \$200 for the Tiger Mountain Community High fund administered by the IHS PTSA. The motion was seconded and approved.
- "Making Connections through the Arts" workshop for art docents and teachers at Clark Elementary this weekend.

Financial Report:

- The September financial statement was presented. Based upon a comment in the audit, it was uncertain if the financial info needs to be approved. Nancy will clarify this point and will advise at the next meeting (repeat comment from the September meeting).

Membership: Pat Batt reported 656 memberships to date.

Salmon Days Parking: The event was successful despite the rain.

Parent Education: Karin Allen mentioned the upcoming internet security seminar, Screen Smarts, to be held October 23 at BLMS and November 29 at IMS. A follow-up assembly with the students will be held on the following days.

Issaquah Schools Foundation: The annual luncheon is Thursday at the Issaquah Community Center.

Legislation:

- Alison Barthenheier reviewed the simple majority issue on the November ballot. Volunteers are needed for the phone banks on October 17, 18 and 30
- Region 2 Legislative Roundtable on November 15 at Newport High School.
- Focus Day on February 13 in Olympia
- The number one issue from Legislative Assembly is K-12 funding

ASB Liaison: Upcoming events need parent volunteers: Food drive, 10/25 WEB event, 11/6 Magazine drive trip to Family Fun Center, and after school socials on 11/16 and 3/13.

Communications: Chairperson still needed for Student Directory. Asma Ahmed will chair unless someone else is interested.

Principal's Report:

- Ms. De Rosa reported that Superintendent Rasmussen visited IMS for 2.5 hours yesterday.
- Ms. De Rosa provided a reminder about the protocol for classroom issues. The teacher should be contacted first before the principal.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 am.