

Wheaton HS PTSA Meeting Minutes

April 21, 2020 at 7 PM (via Zoom)

Quorum met - Yes

Principal/School Updates - Dr. Mugge

- Ms. Carias will serve as Principal Intern at Wheaton next year. She will operate the school and Dr. Mugge will be assigned elsewhere after winter break 2021. Have begun search for a new Assistant Principal, as well.
- Report cards for Q3 will be mailed April 28 and will have letter grades. Q4 grading will be pass/incomplete. If a student has a D or E in any class in Q3, must pass that class in Q4. County has not yet determined how to average the grades this year (e.g. average of 3 quarters?)
- School staff are monitoring to make sure students have connected to class
- WHS has provided four rounds of laptops. One more round of distribution in the future (date TBD)
- Status of prom and graduation is unknown

Updates from Officers and Committees:

1. Treasurer's Report - Stacy Menendez

2. Nominating Committee - Cori Lathan, Gillian Hay-Chatterjee, Jeannie David

- o Nomination for Treasurer - Yuan-Chen Yao (currently PTSA Secretary)
- o Nomination for Secretary - Oriole Saah (current co-chair of Mini Grant Committee)

3. Staff Appreciation Committee Update - Shawntel Chin, Chair

- o Idea for students to submit 15-second video messages to thank teachers. The various clips will be combined into one message.

4. Fundraising Committee Update - Gillian Hay-Chatterjee, Jeannie David, Co-Chairs

- o Currently in holding pattern. Working on fundraising plan for next school year.

5. Post Prom Committee Update - Gillian Hay-Charterjee

- o Status of post prom dependent on prom. Have reached out to Launch Trampoline (current venue of post prom) to inquire on cancelation if prom is canceled.

6. Mini Grant Committee Update - Nora Vacariu Webster, Oriole Saah, Co-Chairs

- o Four approved mini-grants have been submitted prior to school closings: (1) \$80 request for the It's Academic Program, (2) \$367.60 for a rocket launcher submitted by Mr. Ball and (3) \$400 for MoCo Hacks submitted by Ms. Dunbar [event canceled], (4) funded \$150 to Media Dept. for PBL showcase.

7. Scholarship Committee Update - Daria Daniel, Chair

- o The Senior Scholarship Award is accepting applications through May 15, 2020. Students applying to a vocational or technical school are eligible to apply. Application is available at the PTSA website. Scholarship amount: \$1,000.

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8. LGBT Committee Update - Cori Lathan, Liora Moriel, Co-Chairs

- MCPS LGBTQ Forum cancelled
- County-wide May pride prom postponed

9. MCCPTA/BOE Update -

- According to the Maryland PTA guidelines, local PTSA elections cannot be conducted online
- Great resource for MCPS students: Be Well 365 link on the MCPS website - Mindful Moment Video Series

10. Technology Committee - Tracy and Mark Rotton, Co-Chairs

- Tracy working on Thank-You staff appreciation video project (see staff appreciation section)
- PTSA has a Zoom account to hold PTSA meetings

11. NAACP Council - Leon Peace, Chair

- Working on collaboration with women's group to present on womens' suffrage

12. Open forum

- Parent suggested students assist with technology and get SSL hours
- Oriole mentioned parents to sign off on permission slip for G-suite (includes YouTube). Without permission, students cannot access. Oriole will send note on listserv.

Next PTSA Meeting - May 19 , 2020 7 PM

Meeting adjourned 8 PM