**PTA Meeting Minutes**

**January 12, 2022**

**Vice President Julia Wittnebel called meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.**

**Attendees**: Paly Khan Afridi, Julia Wittnebel, Mollie Schlue, Amanda Schumacher, Deann LaGrange, Jennifer Patterson, Lesley Fleming, Clay Melton, Dorea Burkamper, Jennifer Byers, Greg Becker, Dennis McDermott, Sandy Scaia, Andrea Norris, Darrius Ballard

**Executive Committee Reports**:

Secretary, Mollie Schlue, submitted December 2021 Meeting Minutes.

* Julia Wittnebel motioned to approve minutes.
* Paly Khan Alfridi seconded the motion.
* Minutes approved unanimously by membership vote.

**Committee Reports**:

**Warrior One Fund/Membership:** Nicole Pedron

**Volunteer Coordinator:** Dennis McDermott

Dennis is revisiting how volunteers should submit their hours

**Hospitality:** Dorea Burkamper & Stephanie Helle

Thanks to everyone who donated/baked/helped make this year’s holiday cookie boxes a success. 35 boxes were made and joyfully received by faculty/admin/staff this year.

**Legislative:** Dennis Goettel

**Audit/Bylaws:** Andrea Lewerenz-Norris

**College Connections:** Rebecca Lindwall & Paly Kahn Alfridi

**Warrior Closet:** Liesa Greco

**Social Media/Website:** Nadine Brock

**Grounds:** Nadine Brock

**Warrior Pantry:**

Amy Rouse, Wash Engagement Specialist, runs the Pantry, but needs a PTA chair.

Please email: [crwashpta@wash.com](mailto:crwashpta@wash.com) if you’d like to volunteer.

**Post Prom:** Andrea Norris

Post Prom is no longer an official committee of PTA and fundraising will be run by the Cedar Rapids Community Schools Foundation. This year is a transitional year, so the PTA will be helping with tracking fundraising for the spring event. Donations can be made at: <https://crcsf.com/whs-postprom/>

**Counseling Report**: Jennifer Byers

* Counselor Carol Wosoba has resigned to pursue other opportunities. Students with S-Z last names will go through Counseling Secretary Kim Weiland for now and will be assigned to other counselors on an at need basis until another counselor can be hired.
* Spring classes begin today. Students are asked to put in change requests via the Google form on the Counseling website: [**bit.ly/SP22ScheduleChange**](http://bit.ly/SP22ScheduleChange)
* For questions regarding **registering for classes next year**, please review the following information,
  + Registration video: <https://youtu.be/2PhLW0zNWw8>
  + [2022-2023 One-Page Course List](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1NQvAkVfZozjRt-Swmgdq2sVVTEH7yCz8TR4qD5pqMK0/edit?usp=sharing)
  + [2022-2023 Washington Academic Planning Guide](https://docs.google.com/document/d/17YOgXZB0lFvIkC2GQafs4aSifCTsRnYbPwtYwTR6Jjw/edit?usp=sharing)
* 2022-2023 scheduling make up date is Friday, January 28th.
* Counselors will be going to middle schools to help with scheduling for incoming 2022-2023 freshmen:
  + Harding, January 18th
  + McKinley, January 19th or 20th
  + Trinity Lutheran, January 20th
  + Franklin, January 26th & 27th
  + Summit Schools have been contacted by counselors

Please contact Jennifer Byers if you know of students coming from any other unaffiliated schools.

* Counselors are still using Google website while work is done on official district site: <http://bit.ly/CWRCounseling>
* Most recent newsletter available at: <https://bit.ly/CWRCounselingNewsJan22>
* PROM DATE: April 30th, 2022

**Principal’s Report**: Darrius Ballard

* Behavioral issues update:
  + Suspensions are down slightly compared to same time 2 years ago (when school was in full attendance). Great news considering the challenges students are facing this year!
  + Unexcused absences are also down. This means fewer kids are skipping classes.
  + Hallways are clearer during classes than in previous years.
  + There have been fewer recent problems with bathroom vandalism than in early fall.
  + Students are showing more positive school spirit at recent sporting events.
* There is a possibility of a district bond campaign to upgrade both middle and high schools
  + District is losing prospective students to schools with newer facilities
  + Wash is meeting with stakeholders (students/parents/staff) to discuss needs and solutions
* Covid numbers at school are up.
* CRCSD students are still asked to quarantine at home for 10 days

**New Business**:

Plaques for the upgrades to the AV equipment for both gyms have been ordered, but supplier is running a couple of months behind.

**Meeting Adjourned: 10:24 a.m.**