PTSA Council General Meeting Minutes
February 25, 2019

Location: Clifford Smart MS

Attendees:

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<th>Jackie Gurwin</th>
<th>Council/WLN/CHS</th>
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<td>Julie Rachner</td>
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Called to Order at 7:03 pm by Jackie Gurwin, PTSA Council President

- Welcome From MR. Tucker – CHS Principal
  - Exciting year at CHS with many new learning experiences for his students
  - Looking forward to repurposing the media center to be used as a more modern learning space

- Minutes Approval from January 28, 2019
  - Motion to approve Liz, seconded by Todd
  - Approved

- General Discussion – Transitioning from Elem – MS and MS – HS by Mark Hess and Mr. Tucker
  - MS – HS
    - 5th grade to MS students are coming from a place where they want to please teachers and parents and the shift in MS becomes an act of wanting to please others. Their actions and intentions change and they learn to deal with new stresses and friendships. Their interest change and grow and they take on new responsibilities. Parents must also change in their perspective of child responsibilities and let them make mistakes and grow from those experiences.
    - Communication is key, as most students will not like all of their teachers. They will need to adjust to many different teaching styles and work to be successful in the classroom environment or communicate to work towards solutions.
    - Parent biggest MS fear is bullying, which in its truest form is rare there can be things taking place that might warrant a conversation.
    - Student biggest fear is getting lost and is usually overcome in the first 2 weeks of school.
    - MS students are now being challenged to determine who they are, what they want others to see in them, and what is worth your energy or not.
    - All 4 MS administrations work hard to create kind, compassionate, and creative students.
  - MS – HS
    - Recognize that this young generation has many great gifts and are seen as truly philanthropic caring kids,
    - Expect and embrace change in learning. Students are challenged to be more critical thinkers than ever.
    - Staff develops trust and respect in the classroom when integrating new changes for greater learning
    - Students are in a constant state of learning
    - Parents should utilize the website under academics, which has great info
Be aware that college is not for everyone. There are many resources in our community for trade and other after HS career paths. Visit the tech school in the district to become familiar with that WL Schools can offer your high school student.

• Financial Report – Jackie Gurwin
  o $.09 interest accrued this month

• Legislative Report – Lisa Massat
  o House Bill 426 passed on Feb 19 in regards to snow day closures
  o It provides exception to the rule if your school in a declared state of emergency

• Teachers Report – Kim Quinn-Haver
  o Irene Daniels Scholarship information is distributed to all high schools
    o Candidates must be PTSA members or their families must hold membership for the year to be considered.
    o $750.00 per student awarded
    o Applications and letter of recommendations are submitted and reviewed by a committee and the recipients receive their awards at the Awards and Instillations event.
    o This award is based on school service not necessarily grades therefore many students should apply and HS reps should be talking this up in their schools.
    o Info is available on the website under parents.

• District Report – Nancy Van Leuwen
  o Kick Off meeting for the bond will be February 27, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the ESC
  o Every school will host a bond presentation and we should be encouraging all parent to attend
  o Jenn Ludwig added the vote for the bond is May 7, 2019. This bond focuses on buildings, infrastructure and equity among all schools.
    o Citizens Committee for Walled Lake Schools is the advocacy group marketing and promoting a yes vote on the bond.

• Old Business
  o Parenting Fair:
    o Still needs a chairperson
  o FFE
    o Tuition Expedition Raffle is still open
    o Winning donated tickets to each PTA must be identified by March 15, 2019.
  o Bylaws
    o Presented on January 28, 2019
    o Motion to approve as written by Lisa Massat, seconded by Tracey Lamey
    o Approved by all present

Meeting Adjourned at 8:15 pm

Next Meeting is March 18, 2019 at Geisler Middle School