

J.E.B. Stuart PTSA Meeting

February 17, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by the President, Cindy Waters. A list of attendees is attached to the original records of the minutes.

Approval of minutes:

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the January PTSA meeting with the additional clarification of Band Boosters information. Motion carried.

Principal's Report and SGA Report – Pamela Jones – Ms. Jones announced that Touching Bases will be held March 11 from 7:30-9:30 a.m. with a 3-hour school opening delay. Cell phones must be kept in locker, turned off and out of sight during school hours. The SOLs will be given March 2-5 and the results will be available in May. The master schedule is being reviewed with an attempt to imbed remediation into the daily schedule.

FCPS Budget (Cindy Waters) – a possible reallocation of students from Annandale HS to other schools is being considered due to overcrowding.

The Nominating Committee needs volunteers to develop a slate of officers for next school year.

Guidance Report – Jacob Ballentine - Mr. Ballentine reported that Guidance is working with Juniors at present and will be followed by the Sophomores and Freshmen.

Dates to remember:

February 25 – Interims (Advisory Committee 3 p.m.)

February 27 – Register for ACT test on April 4

March 4 – Parent Coffee

March 6 – JEB Stuart Foundation Scholarships are available (announced)

March 22 – College EXPO College Fair – Chantilly, VA

March 27 – Report cards to students

March 31 – Register for May 2 SAT test

April 4 – Postmark date for JEB Stuart Foundation Scholarships

April 22 – College Fair – George Mason Patriot Center

Treasurer's Report – Ann Gallagher - Ann announced \$700 was received from the B&N Night event and \$500 was received from Harris Teeter. She said we are “well-positioned to weather a lean year.”

Education Committee – Milissa Rowcliffe announced there would be a special program “Reality Check” by INOVA Fairfax Hospital on Thursday, March 5 at 7:30 p.m. Another program is being planned for April or May on parent/student communication and will also be

available in Spanish. It may be possible to hold this in conjunction with the April 28 Hispanic Parent Group.

All Night Party – Kathi Dutilh announced plans are progressing well for the event. The annual mulch sale is coming up soon.

Athletic Boosters – Erik Andersen spoke on behalf of the Athletic Boosters. The next booster meeting will be Monday, March 9 at 7:30 p.m.

Band Boosters – Debbie Rosse provided the group with the following dates:

February 26 – Pre-festival concert at 7:30 p.m.

March 1 – Festival concerts at West Potomac HS

April 15-19 – Spring Trip to Myrtle Beach, SC

April 24-25 – Solo/Ensemble Festival at Luther Jackson MS

April 28 – Spring Concert at 7:30 p.m.

May 1 – Jazz Night in Little Theater

May 8 – John Mackey Debut Performance of commissioned piece for Stuart's 50th Anniversary

Crew Boosters – Veronica Kinney announced Crew season has begun with land training and the rowers will be on Lake Barcroft soon before moving to the regatta location at Occoquan/Sandy Run.

Drama Boosters – Kathi Dutilh reminded everyone that the spring play – “Little Shop of Horrors” will be performed March 26-28.

Hospitality Committee – Joni Laurence announced the Valentine's Day Luncheon (for staff and faculty) was a success. The next event will be the Teacher Appreciation Luncheon on Friday, May 1.

Taste of the Town – Cindy Waters gave an update. No entertainment will be provided, but the tasting and scaled-down auction will remain. Advance adult tickets are \$15 and \$20 at the door. Volunteers and raffle items are needed.

Newsletter articles are due the Thursday after each meeting by 3:00 p.m. and should be submitted electronically. The newsletter is only available as an electronic document.

Cindy Waters announced the next meeting of the Superintendent's Advisory Council Meeting will be March 25.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 17, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,
Regina Warner Derzon
Secretary