

**Minutes of the James Madison High School PTSA  
Monday, June 12, 2017**

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm.

**In attendance:** Betsy Boswell Fusca, Greg Hood, Beth Eachus, Timothy Buckley, Becky Allison, Anne-Stuart Kirkhorn, Monica Anshel, Marcy Davidson, Silvia Martin-Estes, Nancy Socher, Jenny Thompson, Kebra Krol, Ann Kuhlkin, Justin Hu, Rossana Carney, Barb Heider, Jill Hecht, Julia Xue, Patty Shields, Michelle Kang, Sandra Allen, Diane Natale, Shelly Koshuta, Tanya Laden, Teri Bachman, Bob Gamberelli, Nathen Hidler and Gail Hidler

**Call to Order and Welcome – Betsy Boswell Fusca**

**II. Approval of Previous Minutes**

The May minutes were presented by Betsy Boswell Fusca. Marcy Davidson made a motion to accept the minutes as presented and Beth Eachus seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

**III. Principal Report - Greg Hood**

Principal Hood reported the administration was looking into changing Prom in 2018 to a Saturday night so as not to conflict with spring sports and activities. Venues being considered include State Theater. Mr. Hood also reported that they were looking into changing the web page to a more mobile-friendly format. It will be ADA compliant in terms of sound. The new format will be up by Aug. 1.

Additionally, Mr. Hood said that Madison was looking into internship experiences for seniors during the last week of the 2017-18 school year. Also, possible graduation date for next year is June 8 at 7 p.m. at DAR.

**IV. Student Services – Timothy Buckley**

Mr. Buckley reported that he and Mr. Hood had attended the Cappies Award Night at the Kennedy Center on June 11. Madison students won two Cappie awards: Kelly Brentz won for Best Comedic Actress and the school won Best Props. He reminded people that there would be no school on Friday, June 16 due to graduation. Underclass exams begin on June 19. Looking ahead, Mr. Buckley announced that Ethics Day would be October 11.

**V. Faculty Report - Stephanie Schubring**

Mrs. Schubring thanked the PTSA for providing lunch for Teacher Appreciation Week.

**VI. Student Report**

SGA representatives reported Prom was a big success. They added that SGA would be helping with set-up for Convocation on June 13.

**VII. President's Report - Betsy Boswell Fusca**

Betsy Boswell Fusca announced that there would be meeting regarding class size on May 16. An online petition is begin circulated.

### **VIII. Treasurer's Report - Becky Allison**

Becky Allison reported that the PSTA was in sound financial standing for the \$2016-17 school year. Year-to-Date revenues are \$4,000 more than budgeted. Outstanding expenses include All Night Grad which is on track to stay within budget.

### **IX. Committee Reports**

Warhawk Buddies: Madison students shared with the PTSA the success a program called Warhawk Buddies which meet on Wednesdays during the year to connect with students with intellectual disabilities. The club was busy this year with a fundraiser at CAVA, hand printing on the Rock, a poster signing and creating a Snap Chat presence. Next year they hope to open up to all disability centers, encourage more outside school events, increase communications with parents and raise awareness for the club.

All Night Grad: Patty Shields reported that 275 seniors had already signed up. There will be one more raffle of a 32" flate screen tv at the senior breakfast. A final email blast will go out for volunteer sign-ups.

Athletic Boosters: Nancy Socher reported that the new turf field was in progress. Girls Softball won the championship and Girls Soccer won regionals. Boosters is hosting an awards ceremony on June 5.

Academic Boosters: No report.

Scholarship: Marcy Davidson reported that the PTSA Warhawk scholarships would be presented at Convocation. She shared the names of the 10 years who won this year's Triple I Award.

Baccalaureate: This year's Baccalaureate will be held at the Vienna Presbyterian Church on June 15. Faith leaders from diverse faith groups have confirmed their participation. Madison Orchestra and Madrigals will perform.

Directory: Jenny Thompon informed PTSA that next year's directory would be electronic. They have chosen "A to Z Directories" to get the directory online. She said the company works with more than 40 schools in the area. Two options available: 1 – directory is free, but the A to Z would run ads 2 - \$750 flat fee which would not have banners and access could be limited to PTSA member. Patty Shields made a motion for the \$750 flat fee option. Marcy Davidson seconded the motion. Membership approved the expense.

Warhawk Scholarship Fund: Nathan and Gail Hidler joined Mr. Gamberelli to share information regarding the new Warhawk Scholarship Fund. This fund was established to help students in need continue school through higher education. The fund, a 501c3, granted eight, \$10,000 scholarship this year. More information is available at [www.warhawkssf.org](http://www.warhawkssf.org).

**XI. Old Business:** No news to report.

**XII. New Business:** Fall Kick-off will be August 22. Back-to-School night is August 31.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm. Next meeting will be Monday, September 11 @7:30.