

**Minutes of the James Madison High School PTSA
Monday, February 12, 2018**

Meeting was called to order at 7:33 pm.

In attendance: Greg Hood, Timothy Buckley, Stephanie Schubring, Betsy Boswell Fusca, Marcy Davidson, Monica Ansel, Anne-Stuart Kirkhorn, Michelle Kang, Jenny Thompson, Rossana Carney, Nancy Socher, Barbara Heider, Lenka Denmark, Silva Martin-Estes, Branden Holt, Justin Hu, Tommy Williams Maureen Allen, Mary Ann Ressin, Ellen MacGregor, Braden Holt, Justin Hu, Gracie Feuchter, Naomi Hutchins, Ann Kuhlkin, Shelly Koshuta, Marjorie Veiga, Kebra Krol, Shannon Sieff, Charles Hu, Terry Bachman, Becky Allison, Cathy Wasilewski, Marit Mautz, Marissa Petty

Call to Order and Welcome – Betsy Boswell Fusca

II. Approval of Previous Minutes -

The December minutes were presented by Anne-Stuart Kirkhorn. Marcy Davidson made a motion to accept the minutes as presented and Stephanie Schubring seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

III. Principal Report - Greg Hood

Principal Hood made a request to Academic Boosters for \$1,000 to fund professional development. A vote was taken and the request granted. Marit Mautz and Marissa Petty, teachers at Madison, reported on the two conferences the money would fund – The Deeper Learning Conference and the National Council of Teachers on Mathematics,

Mr. Hood raised the issue of vaping and jewelry at the school. He explained that Madison had a strict policy against both and would be working with students and parents with regards to education about these practices.

IV. Student Services – Timothy Buckley

Mr. Buckley announced that Academic Advising was still going on. Parents are able to see their student's schedule on SIS ParentVue. Schedules for next year will be sent home on April 1. He also reported that a Chinese delegation of students and teachers would be visiting Madison and shadowing students on February 15.

V. Faculty Report - Stephanie Schubring

Mrs. Schubring announced that the librarian was looking for donations of craft items, puzzles and games for the Maker Space Room.

VI. Student Report

SGA representatives announced the Fire & Ice Dance was held in February. Three hundred tickets were sold. There was a pep rally the Friday before and Spirit Week the week of the event.

VII. President's Report – Betsy Boswell Fusca

Ms. Fusca thanked the Kebra Kroll and the PTSA for the work on the Science Fair. She reminded PTSA members that there were only three more PTSA meetings this year and positions for next year still needed to be filled. Specifically, a nominating committee chair is needed. Please send suggestions to Betsy.

VIII. Treasurer's Report – Marcy Davidson

Marcy Davidson reported that Academic Boosters had brought in an extra \$1,000. Nancy Socher made a motion to increase the budget by \$1,000. Becky Allison seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion passed. She reported that the PTSA had received its 501(c) 3 letter which was good for five years.

IX. Committee Reports

Academic Boosters: Mock SAT and ACT tests will be held in April. Dates will be announced shortly.

Athletic Boosters: Nancy Socher announced that gymnastics won Districts and got 2nd place at Regionals. Swim/Dive won Districts and Regionals and will go to the State Tournament. Dance took 18th in Pom. Three wrestlers will go to State. Basketball Boys and Girls are going to district semi-finals. Spring sports tryouts begin on February 19. Casino Night is Friday, March 9. There will be an online auction and as well as a silent and live auction at the event.

All Night Grad: Letters for donations went to businesses and at KIT to parents will be going out shortly. The first deadline for registration is February 28 with a price of \$50. The price goes up to \$75 after that. The committee will need help with decorating on the day of the event.

Baccalaureate: Event will take place at the Vienna Presbyterian Church at 6 p.m. the Thursday night before graduation.

MAD Memos Deadline for March is February 23.

Parent Programs: Next program will be Peak Performance held on April 5th in Warhawk Hall. Speakers are still being finalized.

Band Boosters: The band received a National Blue Ribbon award. Only four in the nation are presented each year. The band was honored at the FCPS school board meeting.

Choral Boosters: Thirty-seven choristers performed with District Chorus. Madison has two delegates for All State Choir.

Orchestra Boosters: Orchestra will participate in State Assessments on March 2 and 3. Dining for Dollars night will be held at Panera on February 28.

Drama: Student-directed One Acts will take place later February 15 – 17. Auditions for Fiddler on the Roof will be held on February 20.

Hospitality: Next event will be Stars of JHMS with an Oscar theme on February 28. Hospitality will have cookies, popcorn, etc. for the teachers. There will be a Teacher Appreciation lunch in April.

Food Pantry: Rossana Carney reported that a KIT would be going out with details about the pantry. Students who participate in the program are able to submit a list of needed items. We are currently serving 24 families on a weekly basis. Donations are ongoing. There is a sign-up genius for items. Also, Amazon Wish List has now been enabled so that people can order and have items delivered to Madison.

XI. Old Business: No news to report.

XII. New Business: The next meeting will be on Monday, March 12. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.