# Minutes of the James Madison High School PTSA Monday, May 14, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 7:33 pm.

**In attendance:** Greg Hood, Timothy Buckley, Betsy Boswell Fusca, Monica Anschel, Anne-Stuart Kirkhorn, , Stephanie Schubring, Beth Eachus, Nancy Socher, Shelly Koshuta, Marcy Davidson, Ellen MacGregor, Sylvia Martin Estes

## Call to Order and Welcome - Betsy Boswell Fusca

#### II. Approval of Previous Minutes -

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

## III. Principal Report

Mr. Hood reported that prom was a success. More than 700 tickets were sold which is more than usual. He reminded people that a revocation of 30-day activities privileges would include graduation. Mr. Hood said that the WINGS program for seniors opting to do internships rather than take finals was in place. Final exams overall are moving away from the traditional model of taking a test to projects, presentations, etc. He also reported that Madison did not make the US News World report again this year due to the gap in scores for ESOL students. Madison is working very hard to address this problem.

## IV. Student Services – Timothy Buckley

Mr. Buckley announced Madison would be launching a mentor program. 120 juniors and seniors have been selected to participate. They will be mentoring incoming freshman. Additionally, there will be 10 executive mentors who oversee the student mentors. Training will take place over the summer.

**Upcoming Dates:** 

Fall Kick-off: Friday, Aug. 24 Back-to-School: Thurs. Aug. 30

Ethics Day will be Friday, Nov. 16 at the Vienna Community Center.

#### V. Faculty Report - Stephanie Schubring

Mrs. Schubring thanked the PTSA for its role in Teacher Appreciation Week.

#### VI. Student Report

New officers were voted in for the 2018-2019 school year.

May 19 – Mr. Madison

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

Ms. Fusca announced that there would be a short PTSA meeting on June 11 to wrap up the year. All positions for next year have been filled. Some positions still need volunteers to shadow current chairs and to serve as committee chairs.

#### VIII. Treasurer's Report - Marcy Davidson

Marcy Davidson reported outside auditors were needed to review financials over the summer. She also needs someone to reconcile the books monthly. Memberships are still coming in. Outgoing expenses will include Teacher Appreciation, Special Ed and All Night Grad.

#### IX. Committee Reports

<u>Academic Boosters</u>: Beth Eachus announced that mock SAT and ACT tests held in April brought in additional money that can be used for teacher grants.

Athletic Boosters: Nancy Socher that the Next Level Recognition ceremony was held for signed athletes. Sprots physical night is Monday, May 21. Cost is \$50 in advance \$60 onsite. Athletic Boosters will be giving four \$500 scholarships. Spring teams are competing in the District play-offs. Last Booster meeting is Tues. May 22.

<u>All Night Grad:</u> Committee is still looking for volunteers to help with set-up. Registration and donations are continuing to roll in.

<u>Triple I Awards:</u> Monica Anshel reported that submission forms for the Triple I Awards are due on May 16. Applications for four student scholarships are also due on May 16.

<u>Baccalaureate:</u> Invitations will be going out to parents shortly. All faith leaders have been confirmed. Event will be at 6 plm on Thurs. June 7. Seniors should wear gown without cap. The will be a reception afterward. Cupcakes are still needed for this.

<u>Drama:</u> Fiddler on the Roof will be presented April 26-28. Tickets are available online.

<u>Hospitality</u>: Kebra sent a thank you to PTSA members who helped with hospitality this year.

<u>Food Pantry:</u> Donations are still being collected. Food pantry will be expanded next year to include a a coat drive. All sizes are needed. No wool coats.

MAD Memos: Last issue will come out in June.

## Performing Arts:

<u>Drama:</u> Madison received five Cappie nominations. Awards ceremony will be held at the Kennedy Center on June 10. Fiddler on the Roof was a huge success with one sold out performance and others close to sell outs.

<u>Band:</u> National Blue Ribbon will be presented on May 22 at final concert. Vienna Mayor will attend to present a joint resolution.

Orchestra: Final concert on May 24 Chorus: Final concert on May 31

XI. Old Business: No news to report.

#### XII. New Business:

The nominating slate was presented by Betsy Boswell Fusca. Anne-Stuart Kirkhorn made a motion to accept the slate. Timothy Buckley seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote of the membership present.

2018-2019 James Madison High School PTSA Board

President: Beth Eachus 1<sup>st</sup> VP: Monical Anshel 2<sup>nd</sup> VP: Ellen MacGregor Secretary: Sarah Helmicki Treasurer: Marcy Davidson

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.