

EDMONDS-WOODWAY HIGH SCHOOL PARENT-STAFF ORGANIZATION Meeting September 15, 2022, 7pm School Library and zoom

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00pm

ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS: Chris Cossu (ex-officio), Jennifer Castle, Molly Tobias Co-President, Carrie Hulbert, Anjeanette Yglesias, James Ogren (Staff Liaison), Nikki Glaros, Michelle Massey, Tiarra Andress, Co-president, Ken Becker, Diane Borchert-librarian, Allison Larsen (Principal). On Zoom: Anique DeVore, Gretchen, Eli Fuller-Hospitality Committee (senior and freshman),

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: We acknowledge the land we're on today is the ancestral homeland of Coast Salish people and has been since time immemorial. We respect their sovereignty, their right to self-determination, and we honor their sacred spiritual connection with the land and water. We understand the acknowledgement is just a small step and commit to celebrating the people and culture of the Coast Salish both in our history and in our community today.

REPORTS:

Principal's Update- Good start to year, assembly held on first day. Staff Luncheon on 9/23 early release day. Freshman families open house 9/22 6-8PM; presentation about what school is about, and then self guided tour. Curriculum night Wednesday 9/28, Oct 21st homecoming game, with dance on 10/22 which is a fundraiser for ASB. Previously dances have 800 students. Question about a 50/50 PSO raffle? Total students this year enrolled as of 9/13 1579, staff totals 92 teachers, 32 classified staff, plus kitchen and custodial (15).

Spanish tutoring was line item in budget, \$3,000,PSO budgeted \$5,000. Sometimes a grant is available, grant was not used last year. Allison is asking for \$3,000.

Last year PSO had line item in budger for library, Diane will ask for grant funding if necessary.

Staff Liaison Update- Jim Ogren Gave ASB check to Molly.

Treasurer's Report- Changing to new software program, grant needs going up, \$8,000 budget.

Discussion of fundraising and other programs:

Several possible fundraisers were discussed:

- 1) Spirit store: it is easy to do and was very successful for AB. No inventory for spirit store.
- 2) Mod Pizza: Simple to execue, successful at the elementary level.
- 3) 50/50 Raffle at games: Suggestion to do at homecoming. Announcers are key to running this. This will need to be an adult run program, as students handling money automatically

beomes ASB money. Ajennette will chair the 50/50 raffle which includes filling out paperwork with gambling board, recruiting adult volunteers to sell the tickets.

- 4) Joy of giving: (seasonally)-specifically for homeless families. Need to determine needs to serve this community of students. Usually Fred Meyer gift cards valuing \$1,000-2,000.
- 5) Valentine's Day Jaya café LOC: open for staff to come and get coffee.

Staff appreciation food drop offs: get a lot of support from families. Budget was 15-20K for PSO budget.

Budget surplus due to less grants being requested due to covid. Pre-covid PSO was very generous with funding.

Pre-covid there were two fundraisers, fall and spring. During covid, it was harder to do fundraising. Returning to programs, it is important to identify what works and what doesn't and refine the PSO mission as it pertains to distributing funds.

In the past, PSO has supported career center, library books, tutoring, snacks for kids who are being tutored.

Grants Report- Discussion of Grants and Process

During and after covid there were many more requests for basic needs (housing and food). Going forward how do we get these families the support they need as PSO will not be able to fund all the basic needs.

Motion

Molly Tobias makes a motion that the PSO create two grant cycles eah year. November and March. Michelle Massey seconded the motion.

15 in favor, 0 dissents. The motion carries.

Anjeanette Y. volunteers to chair this process and Gretchen says she will help manage.

Communications

- -Coffee dates with Allison are confirmed except for 10/14. Proposal is 8-8:15 zoom, then 8:30---8:45am in the foyer. Molly will do the coffee talk.
- -PSO meetings are the second Thursdays of the Month.

Motion: Anjeanette Y. motions to move PSO meetings from 7-8PM to 6:30-7:30PM, Molly T.second the motion. 15 are in favor, 0 dissents. The motion carries.

New Business

- -Officers to write their job descriptions, due 10/7 for discussion.
- -Discussion of a vice treasurer position
- -Determine amount of check that needs co

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM