

Everett PTSA Council 7.3
Membership Meeting Minutes
Hybrid: In person at CRC and via Zoom
January 18, 2023
Prior notice of meeting was given



Call to order: 6:33 p.m.

Attendance: Attendance list attached. **11** in attendance. Quorum met.

President's Welcome

School District Report: Cathy Woods

- Thanks for Council Reflections Celebration
- Recently Celebrated student winners of Prodigies for Peace contest.
- If your students are in grades K-8, they are probably taking i-Ready diagnostics. These help show growth through data, and make plans for interventions when needed.
- World Language Assessments were given in November to grades 7-12. Students earn high school credits for language through this program.
- Thanks to the PTSA members who honored and thanked the school board at the last meeting.
- The schools are facing budget difficulties, and have sent out a survey via email to families regarding upcoming spending.

Minutes: The November 2022 membership meeting minutes were reviewed and accepted with the following corrections: Mee Yoke Macguire should be spelled Mee Yoke McGuire and Jason Diamonti should be spelled Diamanti.

Treasurer's Report: Mee Yoke McGuire

- Financial Report (Nov. 2022)
 - Review of the November 2022 finances were reviewed.
 - Statement balance on 11/30 was \$24,704.20
 - No claims on liability insurance.
- Financial Report (Dec. 2022)
 - Review of the December 2022 finances were reviewed.
 - Statement balance on 12/30 was \$24,754.04
 - No claims on liability insurance.
- 990N was filed during October 2023, in time for the November due date.
- Mid-Year Financial Review to be conducted by Michelle Thomas, Margaret McAdams, and Amber Ortega.

New Business

- School Board Appreciation Month-Craig Willis
 - Craig Willis and Mee Yoke McGuire attended the last school board meeting and presented the school board with gifts and thanks for the work that they do.
- Council FACE/DEI Position-OPEN
 - The position is now open. Reach out to the Board to inform them of who may be a good fit for this position.
- Nominating Committee-Margaret McAdams
 - They have begun looking for the 2023-2024 Executive Committee.
 - Those who are interested in being on the executive committee (or any board position) should email everettcouncilnomcom@gmail.com.
- WSPTA Awards, Programs- Laura Peterson & Craig Willis

- The awards applications are due a month earlier than they previously have been.
- PTA group awards are due February 28th.
- Individual awards nominations are due March 1st.
- State PTA is meeting this Saturday and they will be working out the details for this spring's convention.
- Discussion of the benefits of awards.
- Volunteer Recognition Rewards-Craig Willis
- Council Awards Celebration-Georgina Johns & Valerie Cunningham
 - This will be at Jackson HS on May 18th.
 - Council Members will be asked to volunteer as this is a Council hosted event.

Committee Reports

- Membership-Serena Peterson
 - We are 94% of the way to our membership goal of 4100.
 - The 100% Staff and 100% PTA membership award applications are due by March 15th.
- Reflections-Georgina Johns
 - 132 Submissions from 14 Schools this year were received, which is about 60 entries lower than last year.
 - Next year's theme is: I am hopeful because...
 - 250-300 people came to the Reflections Celebration
 - The art goes to state tomorrow, and we will hear back around March 1st.
 - Questions can be sent to everetreflections@gmail.com.
- Programs-Margaret McAdams
 - The next Star Award recipient will be announced in the February newsletter.
- Advocacy-Craig Willis for Clarissa Phillips
 - Go on the WSPTA website or on social media to share out the advocacy alerts that happened.
 - If a local PTA leader or Advocacy Chair who would like to host a session with a State Legislator let the Board know.
- Shoe Fund-Craig Willis for Michelle
 - 71 students have received shoes and/or gift cards from 18 different schools. 19 schools have donated \$5300 dollars.
- Sustainability-Mee Yoke McGuire
 - Data collection has started, but not all of the information has been received from Council contacts to local PTAs.
 - Between 10 a.m.-2 p.m. styrofoam
- Communications-Lisa Syravong
 - Next eBlast is February 1st, so please send any information to be included within the next couple of weeks.
- Special Education PTSA-Jason Diamanti & Valerie Cunningham
 - Sunday, March 19th 10-2 p.m. at Everett Memorial Stadium is the next major fundraiser.
- Region 7 Updates-Valerie Cunningham
 - Special Education committee at WSPTA has 3 events scheduled
 - Listening sessions for PTA Leaders who are not a part of special ed are January 24th 12-1 p.m. and Feb 2nd 7-8 p.m. for pta leaders who are not a part of special ed
 - Feb. 9th 7-8:30 p.m. is having a roundtable for PTA leaders who are a part of special ed.

Announcements/Open Floor

Meeting Adjourned: 7:41 pm

Post-Meeting: Q&A and Discussion for PTA Awards Celebrations

Amber Ortega, Everett Council PTSA Secretary

Attendance (via Zoom):

Amber Ortega
Serena Peterson
Valerie Cunningham
Monique Webber
Jason Diamanti
Cam-Tu Vo
Laura Peterson
Lisa Syravong

Attendance (In Person)

Craig Willis
Mee Yoke McGuire
Georgina Johns
Cathy Woods