

**Worthington Hooker PTA Meeting
Minutes October 16, 2019**

Call to Order, 6.05
p.m.

PTA Board members present: Rhonda Roumani, Caleb Kleppner, Hilary Delaney, Jessica Light, Shawana Snell, Lani Rosen-Gallagher, Dina Roginsky, Mike Delaney

Staff present: M.-M. Gethings, M. Ackerman, J. Light

All officers introduced to attendees. Minutes from Sept. 2019 approved

Treasurer's Report: BUDGET PRESENTED. H. Delaney walks through draft of annual budget. Explains that we wanted to spend down some of our funds, as we had accumulated more than perhaps was wise. Important to remember that majority of funds generated by ASP, not traditional fundraising methods. *Expenses: \$331K*, of which: Admin: \$27,600; Fundraising expenses: \$6500; ASP expenses: \$213K.; School Curriculum expenses: ~\$74K; School Event expenses: ~\$4500.

Things asked for to be added to budget: IXL software: \$4182; DreamBox: \$4455; ASP Director: \$15K; ASP Scholarship fund: \$10000; Robotics: \$1000; Math tutor(s): ~\$18K; Special Ed equipment: \$1500 (this covers K-8). *Total funds requested to be added: \$52,449.*

Support already planned for 2019-2020: Spanish textbooks: \$1K; Yoga: \$3619; Running Club: \$500; Yearbook: \$500; Sci/Tech: \$9K; Outdoor Classroom (soil, mulch, whiteboards to use in teaching, supplies cart): \$2K.

Emphasis that budget is open to questions, that we are as a body to vote on it. Parent raises question re: how ASP approaches supplying snacks. Claire Rowe, admin for ASP, explains structural/logistical challenges (no food storage, no

kitchen facilities available). Discussion re: possible creation of a subcommittee. MMG explains Fresh Fruit Conundrum and reminds us this is not issue resolvable during this meeting. Query regarding: Who is an ASP “employee” as opposed to “contractor” or “vendor”? H. Delaney says she will consult w/accountant re: these designations.

Motion made to approve budget; seconded; approved. Topic raised for next meeting: buffer zone in budget.

Principal’s Report: K-8 event, Theme Day; Student Council reps have been elected. Gr. 5-6: charting; advisor conferences. New music teacher has been hired, Alysoun Kegel.

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New after school program on Latin begun. SCSU helped with site cleanup. Picture day is coming up.

Upcoming events: Fall Gala. New fundraisers needed. Apparel drive: anyone good at graphic design? BoxTops?

Call for VP of Events and VP of Communications. Claire Roosien volunteers to assist with communications.

New Business: Parents raise issues of struggling with aftercare, something Dr. Birks had said she would work on for NHPS. How do we help these families?

Meeting adjourned, 7.20 p.m. Next meeting: Nov. 20th.

Respectfully
submitted, Eva
Geertz