

**Carmel High School PTO Meeting Minutes**  
**April 11, 2017**

**Attendance:** Diane Schleeter, Elyse Hand, Kristina Andersen, Kendall Reaves, Christine Ramsey, John Williams, Lisa Santee, Kristen Crawford, Melinda Stephan, Dawn Deady, Heather Hurley, Vicki Cummings, Anne-Marie Monty, Donna Edwards, Jennifer Lapel, Lauren Salerno, Tara Ascoti, Layla Spanenberg, Susan Throckmorton, Rebecca Wharton, Gina Prine, Jeanne Upton, Kimberli Boston-Smith, Amie Colera, Cynthia Masse, Teresa Kane (26)

**Call to Order and Welcome:** Kristen Crawford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Diane Schleeter made a motion to approve the March meeting minutes. Lauren Salerno seconded the motion.

**Principal Report:** John Williams noted the golf team broke the record at Hall Fame Classic, Color Guard won international competition. Currently staffing for next year according to classes students have scheduled. Expect additional 100 students enrolled next year. National Honor Society inductions coming up. CHS has 18 kids with perfect score on ACT out of about 2000 in US. The school will be talking with them to find out how they prepare.

**Faculty Report:** Melinda Stephan reported the next big program the counseling office is offering is a panel on admissions to selective schools. Additional information on the following points is included under meeting details on the PTO website. Upcoming programs include: SAT test prep sessions, AP exams, ISTEP exams, college app boot camp this summer with three choices of dates. Scholarships are still open. Scholarship confirmations have been requested from seniors by May 1. May 1 is deadline to make schedule changes. College information sessions coming to CHS this summer. Questions were asked about college courses and conservative views. Melinda suggested using college search tools, Google search, news sources, and the college social media sites to gain a full perspective on the college. Melinda will consider offering freshman sophomore college night on two nights as well as video taping sessions to provide on website.

**Budget:** Kendall Reeves identified expenses for this month as Gradfest, Avid banquet, Scholarship banquet, and gifts and memorials. A full budget update is provided under meeting details on the PTO website.

**Vice President:** Lisa Santee said she is excited for next year. She asked if anyone is interested in being a chair for a committee. There is need for a membership chair and assistant treasurer. She will send out an email asking for volunteers.

**President:** Kristen Crawford noted next week is the scholarship banquet headed by Marcia Prati. April 19 is teacher appreciation day and the PTO hospitality committee will host lunch for 500 teachers. Next month is the volunteer breakfast instead of meeting at 8:30 in media center. Kristen also reported that the Japanese exchange program last month was a success. Liz Schallwig did a nice job with the reception.

## **Committee Reports:**

### **Green Team**

Will be cleaning out lockers at the end of school year May 15 -18. Marcia Roberts will create a sign up genius and send to Kristen requesting volunteers. Last year locker clean out was held in freshman center. Usually give collected materials to teachers to stock classrooms and other school districts. Green team will do video announcements during SRT and have SRT teachers make announcements in classroom to remind students of the clean out. A suggestion was made to put posters on walls and boxes in hallways.

Thirst Project water bottles are for sale in the Carmel Cafe. WISH TV did a segment on community garden and the reporter will talk with Roger McMichael about how Carmel schools are going green. Creekside Middle School will be the site of recycling day April 29 from 10 am -1pm for electronics, shredding, prescription drug drop off, and bulk items for Carmel Utilities customers.

Next meeting May 2 at 8:30 am in media center.

Meeting adjourned 10:25 a.m.