

**WRHS PTO “Blues Backers”
Minutes of Meeting
February 20, 2008**

Present: Janet Aleshire, Lorie Edwards, Laura Gasperich, Linda Gwaltney, Diana Joliff, Kim Jones, Penny Lane, Jackie McGranahan, Leeta Rinehart, Karen Russell, Madge Schmank and Pam Scott.

Call to Order – Co-presidents Kim Jones and Madge Schmank called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Staff Requests – A written request for funding was presented by Penny Lane. The request was from girls swimming to purchase a 31inch electric pace clock with stand. See **Action Item – Staff Requests** below.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of the January 9, 2008 meeting, were presented. **Action** - Upon a motion made by Janet Aleshire and seconded by Karen Russell, the minutes were unanimously approved as corrected. Minutes can be found on the WRHS web site. There was no correspondence to share.

Treasurer Report - Pam Scott presented financial data. She reported a \$33,811.21 cash balance as of January 31, 2008. The Banking Summary for August 1, 2007 through January 31, 2008 noted total income of \$64,541.05 and total expenses of \$60,287.11, resulting in a net of \$4,253.94 for the period. Pam noted that concession revenues were \$20,000 less than budgeted and that concession expenses were \$10,000 less than budgeted, for a net \$10,000 decrease in concession revenues. Inventory levels were discussed but no conclusions reached. Discussion on consideration of future price increases on concessions was held. For merchandise donations, the merchandise chair is to provide information in notebook to document donations and giveaways. Pam also reminded everyone to use the green sheets to be reimbursed for expenditures and to please use the tax-exempt form to avoid sales tax. **Action** - Upon a motion made by Jackie McGranahan, the n seconded by Diana Joliff, the Treasurer Report was unanimously approved.

Committee Reports

Vice President, Concessions and Concession Scheduling – Leeta Rinehart, Vice President, Diana Joliff and Lorie Edwards, Concessions, and Jackie McGranahan, Concession Scheduling were present. They reported that they will be working on the new schedule for openers/closers for late March. The work will begin on the new concession stands at the baseball/softball complex, so no running water will be available. All food will be pre-packaged and one group will be manning the concession stand at the baseball/softball complex. Jackie McGranahan is working on concession scheduling with Kim Heathman. Jackie and Leeta discussed the schedule. Be sure to review the schedule and cover the assignments with a substitute. It was reported that Coke prices would be

going up. Also, it was reported that there will soon be a move from the indoor concessions area to the outdoor concession area.

Activities/Athletic Director – Penny Lane reported on recent events and accomplishments. Senior night will be Friday, the girls' basketball team will host sub-state February 27th and the boys' team will host February 28th, with finals the following Friday for girls and Saturday for the boys. The boys swim team finished 4th in state and in the top 20 overall (Kansas 1A through 6A) for swimming and diving. Four wrestlers qualified for the regional meet, which will be Friday and Saturday in Wichita. Regional bowling will be Saturday at Gage Bowl North. A two-speaker debate team took 1st in state and a 4-speaker debate team took 3rd in state. The scholar bowl 6A title went to WRHS. Spring varsity sport tryouts begin Monday, February 25th. Construction was to start today on the baseball/softball complex. A resurfacing of the track may occur during the first or second week of March. She concluded her report by thanking the PTO, Karen Russell and Bretta Hopkins for the dinner provided for the parent-teacher conferences by the Staff Appreciation committee.

Hospitality – No report

Membership – No report

Merchandise – Janet Aleshire reported that certain merchandise items will going on sale. Also, for two consecutive days in the spring, there will be a merchandise sale at the school. She also will be selling 24 bleacher chairs for \$35 each. The PTO attendees tested the bleacher chairs at the meeting and she immediately sold several at the meeting.

Newsletter - Future deadlines are March 5th and April 9th, for newsletters to be in homes March 31st and April 30th, respectively.

Post Prom – Diana Joliff gave a report for Lori Schile. The next post prom meeting is set for 9:30 a.m. February 23rd at the Classic Bean. Please have at least one person from each subcommittee attend. The decorating committee will have sessions on Mondays and Thursdays from 6:15 until 9:15 p.m. in gym B and welcome help. Diana gave an update on the food and beverage plans/donations for post prom and asked for ideas/suggestions for additional vendor/donors. Carol Hill is getting names of post prom volunteers gathered by March 15, 2008.

Publicity – Laura Gasperich reported that publicity was included in wrestling and basketball programs.

Recognition – Madge reported that many student recognitions have been completed and the committee is ensuring that student/groups are recognized for achievements.

Staff Appreciation – Karen Russell reported that the sandwiches, pasta and potato salad, baked goods treats and beverages were served to the staff from 3:15 until 4:00 pm during the spring parent-teacher event. Penny Lane shared that the entire staff thanks the PTO

for the staff appreciation meal and appreciated it very much. Karen also reported that the next event will be an end of year luncheon to show our appreciation.

Volunteers – Madge and Kim reported that Sue Bielman and Philicia McKee are busy ensuring that you have volunteers as you need them. Let them know of your volunteer needs.

Members at Large – No report.

Unfinished Business – Madge and Kim thanked the Silver Lake Bank for the contribution of 1,000 Washburn Rural window clings.

Action Item – Staff Requests – For the staff request from Girls Swimming, it was moved by Pam Scott, seconded by Janet Aleshire, and unanimously approved, providing \$400 for a pace clock, stand, shipping and handling.

New Business – Madge thanked those who have volunteered to accept PTO positions next year so far and will provide the full slate of positions at the next meeting.

Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m. Respectfully submitted by Linda Gwaltney, secretary.

The next meeting will be March 12, 2008 at 7 p.m. in Room 123.