

## WSPTA Board of Directors - Meeting Summary May 2018 Board Meeting



Your WSPTA Board of Directors held a board meeting at the Hilton Vancouver on Thursday, May 17, 2018. Guest seats were filled by Leslie Boggs, National PTA President-Elect; Linda Johnson, National PTA Service Representative; Harold Dixon, National PTA Nominating and Leadership Recruitment Committee; Rollie Cox, parliamentarian; and Amy Surface, incoming Region 3 Director.

President Michelle Nims called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. A quorum was present.

President Nims shared information about the WSPTA board retreat, board meeting, and region director retreat to be held June 9 and 10, 2018 at Green River College. She reminded the board that elections for the 5th Executive Committee member and the two board nominating committee members will be held at our June board meeting. President Nims shared that Sacajawea PTA 6.15.310, Seattle, was awarded a Jan Harp Domene Diversity and Inclusion Award for 2018; and that Heatherwood Middle PTA 7.3.71, Mill Creek, won a National PTA/Microsoft STEM + Families Tech Night grant, worth \$1,000. Based on our current platform, WSPTA signed on to the FY19 Funding for Family Engagement letter (per the request of National PTA) and the Poison Center Network Enhancement Act coming up for reauthorization to fund this program.

Executive Director Kathryn Hobbs updated the board on WSPTA's participation in coalitions and on recent membership benefits, including the Buell Recreation playground grant. She also gave us a brief investment fund update.

Janice Kutzera, Finance Officer, reported that in her role as WSPTA's whistleblower compliance officer, no complaints were filed this year. The Corporate Finance Committee (CFC) proposed and the board approved that \$1,000 from WSPTA Outstanding PTA of the Year grant line (fees previously collected for Outstanding PTA of the Year) be awarded to this year's Outstanding PTA winner. The CFC presented the WSPTA 2018 – 2019 budget, and the board approved adoption of the budget as presented.

The Council Task Force preliminary findings were shared with the board. Council leaders requested more training and help facilitating connections with other council leaders for support and sharing. Additionally, we should *fully* inform local PTAs of the role of councils.

Family and Community Engagement Director Duncan Taylor attended the initial meeting of a pilot program JMarie Johnson Kola is launching for Puyallup PTA Council. It is intended to be a forum for school district administrators, community members, and others to gather and share ideas for working together on future projects.

Leadership Director Julie Haase is working on next year's webinar plan. August's Leadership Conference will focus training on a finite set of skills, so all leaders will receive all the classes they need to do their job. Leadership Conference is for region directors, service delivery team members, council leaders, and some additional leaders from Regions 4 and 8 by invitation only.

Legislative Director Nancy Chamberlain shared information regarding issue proposals received by the May 1 deadline: 29 members submitted about 35 unique issues. In addition, eight resolutions and one principle were submitted. These members have until June 1 to submit complete applications. Nancy also provided a brief on our Legislative Assembly process for the benefit of our National PTA visitors.

Membership Director Megan Klein reported current membership number as 131,380, which is 98.2% of last year's total. "Membership Rocks" theme will be featured at convention, a BINGO activity sheet will be available at the registration table, and rocks painted with membership tips will be found around the venue.

Program Director Kimberli Swenson reported 122 total Local PTA and Council Awards of Excellence entries; 95 of those qualified to receive an award and 48 of those earned a Gold or Platinum award.

The board received training from National PTA's Leslie Boggs on The Art of Delegation.

The June board meeting is scheduled for June 10, 2018 at Green River College in Auburn, WA.