

WSPTA Board of Directors - Meeting Summary

June 2018 Board Meeting



Your WSPTA Board of Directors held a board meeting at Green River College, Auburn, WA on Sunday, June 10, 2018. President Michelle Nims called the meeting to order at 8:08 a.m. A quorum was present.

President Nims shared that a group of WSPTA staff and board members will be evaluating the coalition list and assigning responsibilities as appropriate. Kirk Miller will serve as interim executive director as we search for our next executive director. Several WSPTA board and other members have registered to attend National PTA Convention, held in New Orleans June 21-24, 2018.

Area C Vice President Tania Skinner was elected by her peers to serve as the 5th executive. The board elected two members, Vice President Teri Davis and Area A Vice President Monika Scotti, to the WSPTA nominating committee for a two-year term, in accordance with WSPTA policy. Mary Levesque will serve as the alternate committee member.

An executive director search committee has been formed, by vote of the board, and the executive committee was also granted authority to select and contract with an executive search firm to identify and present potential WSPTA executive director candidates.

State Director Updates:

- Finance Officer Janice Kutzera encouraged any interested board member to apply to serve on the corporate finance committee. The WSPTA 2018-2019 budget will be reviewed at the August board of directors meeting.
- Legislative Director Nancy Chamberlain shared updates on the issue, resolution, and legislative principle proposals that were submitted for consideration. July 15 has been set for the advocacy committee meeting to review submissions. Nancy is also leading the advocacy task force to review and evaluate the WSPTA overall legislative program, structure, components, events, timing, and responsibilities for needed clarification and/or updates.
- Leadership Director Julie Haase is looking for committee members with PowerPoint skills and with editorial skills. Leadership handbooks are being reviewed, and the communications team will reformat all handbooks in time for new officers' use starting in August.
- Family and Community Engagement Director Duncan Taylor discussed "programs in a box", encouraging us to partner with organizations that already offer valuable programs. And, Program Director Kimberli Swenson reported on coordinating with FACE on various programs.
- Membership Director Megan Klein presented thoughts on changing some membership awards.

Convention feedback: 36 scholarship baskets brought in about \$6,000. President Nims recognized Amanda Starr-Smith, WSPTA event coordinator, for her outstanding convention support. We received lots of positive input on the vendor reception. For future: recognize longevity of vendors' service. Some 45-minute classes were added based on past attendee input; some classes fit into this shorter time frame.

The communications team updated the board on some changes to format (e.g., *Leadership News*) and their goals for use of media tools to build and enhance the association. They briefed the board on the need for consistency and frequency of submittals from directors and other board members to be used in Facebook, *Leadership News*, Twitter, the blog. *Leadership News* will be published every other week through the summer. A regular schedule is being established for publication of *Membership News* in 2018-2019.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m. The August board meeting is scheduled for August 5, 2018.