

Walnut Hills High School Association

Meeting Minutes

November 27th, 2012

Attendance: Karla Bailey, Janniene Baker, Lucie Blanchard, Valencia Brown, Adrienne Brandicourt, Ralph Bruggeman, Gretchen Carroll, Laura Dech, Mitch Dech, Meg Dietz, Kathy French, B. Gordon, Janet Huston, Amy Kappers, Jeff Lazar, Carol Philpott, Jen Rodes, Susan Shelton, Alex Stillpass, Scott Tengen, Stephanie Thomson, Pam Williams, Jenny Workum,

1. President's Report – October meeting minutes, Stephanie Thomson moved to approve and Karla Bailey Second to approve. Jen Rodes passes out financials. Karla Bailey Moved to approve them, Alex Stillpass moved to second.

2. Principle's Report - New Music facility opens December 15th it is a one of a kind facility! The pool facility has run into various snags and we plan to open February 4th. We will try to deal with the swim team issues. We are taking different teams through the facility now. There are a ton of new amenities such as special glass to reduce sound. There will be a “soft” re-opening of the gym with a few council members etc... but will have a “grand” re-opening in the fall. In the new gym, there is a special student section of 300 seats.

3. Boosters - Plan on opening the new gym December 1st, with a boys and girls BB game. Boy's varsity is #1 in the state!

4. WHIP - Marching Band is 3rd in the state! All concerts will be held at Withrow until our auditorium is complete. They have been very cooperative.

5. Legacy of Excellence – Ahead of plan, so going really well! Last phone-a-thon planned for December 11th.

6. ILT – Gretchen Carroll talked about a recent meeting where they discussed how to make standardized testing more efficient. She also expressed concern that a code of discipline has been approved but not sure how it was ever shared with parents. A stipend was approved for model UN. Also, violations of dress code can be dealt with by teachers in the classroom rather than an administrator.

7. LSDMC – Amy Kappers went on a tour of Evanston with Community Council President Enzora Adkins. They stopped at 5 corners, the big apt. complex they plan on closing for rehabbing. They saw Evanston Community Academy where many Walnut Hills students volunteer. It has been given an excellent rating for the first time. They discussed a Long Range Plan

8. Faculty Report – Mr. Lazar reports that the staff doesn't really need any volunteers except volunteer judges for the Science fair.

9. WalnutFest – The event takes place February 23rd and the committee is hard at work! We are still looking for silent auction items. Janet is happy to email corporate underwriting forms to anyone.

10. CIC - Maria Horn reported that they really need some computer help. They used to have 5 computers, but now they have 2. Alex Stillpass commented that he might be able to help.

11. 7th and 8th – awards ceremony needs support. It is Jan. 31st 6:30pm. It is geared toward new students who have had a successful first semester. They honored 160 students last year.

12. After Prom – Committee chairs need to coordinate with WalnutFest Chairs on underwriters so we don't double dip. We need to share info. Layout is done. Entertainment reservations are made and have a student committee. Might be fun to have a sneak peek night. Gift card ordering for After Prom is also happening.

13. Web Site – design is complete. Just trying to get copy written by all.

No meeting in Dec. Next meeting January 22, 2013.