

W. Charles Akins High School PTSA
Tuesday, March 08, 2022
Remotely via Zoom

MINUTES

In attendance: Trudy Richards (President), Ella Lutz-Carrillo (Secretary), Stephanie Matthews (academy coordinator), Lexi Morris (A+FCU representative), Nathan Willis (A+FCU representative), Connie Miralrio (parent support specialist), Manuel Garcia (associate principal), Coach Chili (parent), Veronica Balderas (parent), Lulu Salinas (parent), Mario Quintero (parent), Steven Gerlofs (parent), Illyana Carbajal (parent), Cyrena (parent), Blake Locklin (parent)

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

Trudy Richards gave a general PTSA update.

Associate principal Manuel Garcia and Academy Coordinator Stephanie Matthews gave reports (Matthews report was read by Richards due to technical difficulties).

Topic: Ella Lutz-Carrillo presented the minutes from the February 2022 general meeting.

Action: Minutes were approved by ascension with no changes.

Topic: Richards presented treasurer's report for the month of January discussing insurance payment and remaining balance.

Action: None taken.

Topic: Advocacy project has been a success so far, with four community members speaking at Long-Range Planning Committees. The LPC has asked to visit Akins and see the condition of the portables themselves. Richards said that we would like to have more students and parents speak at future meetings on 03/29, 04/19, 04/30, and 05/10.

Action: Richards and Kozel will continue to facilitate at least two speakers for each remaining meeting of the year.

Topic: Membership is up to 70, only 30 away from the annual goal of 100. Richards thanked A+FCU for the donation of two \$25 gift cards for prizes for the February membership drive that resulted in several new members.

Action: None taken.

Topic: Nomination Committee needed to recruit for at least 3 open board positions for the 2022-23 school year.

Action: No volunteers came forward at this committee. Richards asked that any interested committee members or potential nominees contact her.

Topic: Richards said that there was one applicant for a student support grant and that \$100 had been awarded to student Natalia Estrada for travel expenses on a trip to Washington D.C. for Austin Corps.

Action: None taken.

Topic: Teacher Appreciation

Action: The membership discussed ideas for teacher appreciation including 5 days of teacher appreciation (monday-ptsa, tuesday-a+, etc), goodie bags, coffee and pastries, breakfast tacos, ice cream social with food truck

Topic: Announcements that applications will be open through 04/08/22 for student organization support grants (<https://forms.gle/VB7eERGLnAgHjR5W7>), next PTSA General Meeting 04/12/2022 at 6:00 pm.

Action: None taken

Stephen Gerlofs moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Manuel Garcia and unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.