

CFA Meeting – 10/14/14

In attendance: Dianne, Kerith, Mary, Janice, Wendi, Anna, Nancy, Lorena

Nancy – Minutes approved from last meeting. (Lorena we should make a few more copies for meetings – say 25)

The CFA has discussed having an additional meeting on an evening to try and make it available to those who work or have other commitments during the day. All those in attendance of today's meeting agreed it would be worthwhile to try. We will schedule a night (possibly a Wednesday) at a local establishment and begin with school business and end as an informal social gathering.

Jr. High – The Halloween dance/event has been moved to November 1st, a week after its current date of October 31. Mr. Monastero and Mr. Schiffmacher took a poll and most kids would not have attended if it conflicted with actual Halloween date. The next nighttime event for the Jr. High will be a New Years dance on Friday, January 9th.

Anna – The audit has been completed and the final budget reviewed from last year. This will be published at the next CFA meeting. We also have additional school directories and mini-calendars available to purchase. Please contact Anna or anyone on the board to get one.

Mary – We have reached 262 members for the CFA this year. There were 118 from the high school BTS night and 40 from Jr. high BTS night. The remaining were from previous meetings and mail in. Please, if you have not already joined, do so. Also please encourage those you know to join. The cost is \$25.00 and the money does go to significant improvements to your child's school. Last year it supported the new glass enclosed art area as well as other items. We will put together a list to communicate this and help increase membership this year. Everyone is currently receiving email updates on events and dates from Janice, our communication person however if you are not a member, these emails will stop at the end of the month.

Wendi – we are currently looking for volunteers on three committees – Holiday Cookie Bake (December 10), Staff Appreciation Lunch (April 29) and the Literary Luncheon (March 18). If you would like to help on any, please send an email to Wendi at wendi.d@mac.com. This year, the Literary Luncheon guest speaker is Tim Greene and his book is "Unstoppable". The 7th and 8th graders will be encouraged to read this over the break. Tim is an ex NFL player who now works with the organization on an initiative to endorse physical exercise and reading.

Cultural Arts – Tricia Hammond and Karen Caldas – The Journey into American Indian Territory workshop was held on September 29 and 30th for the 7th grade. The Civil War Regiment was held on October 1 for the 8th grade. Each was well received.

The visit from Veterans is scheduled for November 6th and 7th. There will be veterans from various military segments who will speak to the students on individual experiences and their times in the military. If anyone wants to sign up to help set up, donate food or clean up, please email Karen Caldas at caldas56.msn.com.

Seahawks –Spirit week is in full swing. Pep rally is scheduled for Friday, October 17th with the Homecoming football game on Saturday October 18th at 3:30 pm. Winter sports details will be coming up shortly. There are banners to purchase from Frank Albers (frankalbers@live.com). Please help support all athletic focused activities by joining the Booster Club for \$50.00. This will include email newsletters.

SIT – Mr. Matuk said they had one meeting so far and are still discussing and refining the goals for this year. They have a great group of about 17 members including students and teachers.

Presenter- Mrs. Cambira

Deadline to drop an accelerated course is 12/17/14. It is recommended to speak with the student and the teacher regarding progress in the course and to drop the course, if need, be before the deadline. The 9th grade parent meeting is at 7:30pm in the JRHS Library 10/16/14. Naviance account forms distributed and encourage to set-up a Naviance account. PSAT information/instructions were sent via email. New Director of Guidance will start in January . 10th grade meeting is scheduled for the spring. DOS program will be used by the student to assess career interests.

***Speaker scheduled for next meeting to present on “Joys of raising your teenager”
-November 18, 2014***

Tina Velez , SW in the “nest” Junior High School drop in center briefly introduced the centers’ activities and goals. First workshop is on Test Anxiety.

Meeting adjourned 12:55pm