

WEST DEPTFORD HIGH SCHOOL PTO

President Jodi Purvenas

Vice-President: Terri Wallowitch

Treasurer: Jodi Thayres

Corresponding Secretary: Margaret O'Donnell

Recording Secretary: Margaret O'Donnell

Minutes of the September 13, 2012 meeting;

Attendees: **Terri Wallowitch, Collen Tighe, Karen Gotchel, Donna Melvin, Jeri Fontaine, Jodi Tharyes, Dr. Gismondi, Margaret O'Donnell**

The meeting commenced at 6:35 PM

- A motion was made by Terri Wallowitch to approve the May minutes, Karen Gotchel seconded the motion
- The following correspondence was received:
 - Thank you from Joshua Mazza for PTO. scholarship
 - Thank you from Rebecca Rose Crowther for PTO scholarship.
- Jodi Thayres read the treasurer's balance on hand as \$7513.
- The PTO thanked everyone for a job well done at project graduation.
- A signup sheet was passed around for help during Back to School Night on September 27, 2012. An email will also be sent.
- Homecoming is Saturday October 27, 2012.
 - Colleen Tighe to handle email request for help during the event.
 - Price of tickets to increase to cover price of food. PTO to purchase food, take care of beverages.
 - Asking for \$5 donations in lieu of food.
- Basket bingo items starting to be purchased by Terri Wallowitch and Karen Gotchel. Date still to be determined. Looking for donations /ideas for Chinese basket items.

Dr. Gismondi's Comments:

- School year off to a fantastic, smooth start!
- Will continue with monthly mailings until email chain starts
- First Pep rally 9/14, picture day 9/20, back to school 9/27
- "Ryan's Story" presentation on bullying/ suicide presenting on 10/2 -10/3 to students and on 10/2 p.m. to parents.
- New breakfast program started from 7:10a.m.-7:30 a.m. free, reduced and pay program available menu online.
- 840 laptops distributed during early pickup. 85% of insurance fees paid. '[
- HSPA retakes first week in October.
- Teacher in service during half days in November.
- Request made of PTO to donate \$1,800 for speaker for Youth Alliance; motion made by Karen Gotchel, seconded by Donna Melvin.
- Request made for \$750 nonrefundable deposit for Production Company for graduation. Motion made by Colleen Tighe, seconded by Karen Gotchel.
- Request made for PTO for \$500 dollars in lunch for senior week. Motion made by Margaret O'Donnell, seconded by Jodi Thayres.
- Looking into interactive trauma/ drunk driving presentation in May.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Next meeting scheduled for November 15, 2012