

## NWHS and Booster Club Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, October 17, 2023

### **Paso Fuerte Latin Dance Team**

- Team (26 members) is requesting funds for covering costs for coaches, costumes, dance shoes in preparation for dance competition(s)
- Nwhs.Pasofuerte – social media channel
- Review of request is underway for final decision

### **How to Use Admission Tests for College Applications Presentation- Everest Tutors & Test Prep**

- Website for more information: Everesttutors.net
- Presentation will be posted on the NWHS PTSA site

### **Principal's Report**

- Theme: Removing Barriers to Reach New Heights
- School Improvement Plan will be made available at the end of this week
  - Literacy and Math
  - Well-being
  - Culture and Climate

### **Joint (PTSA and Booster Club) Committee Reports:**

- **Membership**
  - Total 199 members in PTSA and Booster
    - Total teacher members is 42
    - Corporate sponsor total is 15 (totaling \$6500)
    - \$500 for media center
    - \$15,500 membership fees collected
  - Need to look for more opportunities to get people more engaged and becoming members
- **Scholarships**
  - Looking for members to read essays; not applicable for parents with senior students
  - PTSA and Boosters give out scholarships; need parents to sit on committee
  - More information will be forthcoming

### **PTSA Business and Committee Updates:**

- **Approve PTSA FY2024 Budget**
  - Estimates are static from last year with minor adjustments
  - Motion to approve the budget; 16 members in support to approve budget
- **After Prom**
  - \$10 long sleeve t-shirt fundraiser - \$800 raised; more fundraising opportunities will be available
- **Dining for Dollars**
  - Two successful events: Paisanos and Tortacos – combined total \$545

- Chipotle fundraised \$205 as well
- Ledo's fundraising tally from October 11 is pending
- Five Guys is our next event on November 16, which awards us 20% of total sales, not just from NWHS patrons
- **MCCPTA Delegate Report**
  - County-level PTA; NHWS has two delegates
  - Delegates attended 9/26 meeting
  - Zoom translate available for non-native participants
  - Reminders:
    - Weigh in MCPS school calendar, especially holidays/testing dates
    - Join committees
    - Review Financial guidelines on their website
    - Join Reflections Committee
    - Capital Improvement Committee – opportunity to talk at Board of Education
    - MCPS Health Office at last meeting – new program/video Parent Craft – talk to students about substance abuse; mental health awareness week is 10/30 to 11/4
    - NWHS has its original HVAC – if anyone is interested in attending a Board of Education meeting to accompany Principal in messaging the need for new HVAC; cluster rep should testify in January
- **Reflections**
  - Art program for the county; various art programs offered, such as visual, photography, dance choreography
  - We are bringing it to NWHS; new chairperson Shubha Khot
  - NWHS is going to participate in ALL categories
  - We need judges who are not affiliated with NWHS
    - BlackRock is a corporate sponsor
    - Drama department may have some contacts for judges
    - Submissions deadline December 24
  - Process will be kicked off in a couple of weeks
- **Staff Appreciation Update**
  - Staff Trail Mix Bar on Friday October 20
  - Gift wrapping event coming up in December
    - Need volunteers for the event

### **Booster Club Committee Reports**

- **Athletics**
  - Funding comes from a variety of sources:
    - Last year's carry over (\$8,700)
    - MCPS allocation (\$50,000), parking fees (\$15,000)
    - Field Maintenance supplement (\$35,000)
    - Corollary supplement (\$1,600)
    - Regular season gate receipts (\$40,000)

- Other support/income (\$90,000 – fundraising (\$40,000); Tournaments (\$15,000); Booster Club Donations (\$25,000))
  - NWHS fundraises as a whole department, not based on number of athletes on team or impact
  - Teams may do additional fundraising if they want to purchase something
  - Individuals may choose to donate directly to NWHS; looking at options to donate directly through schoolcashonline
  - Uniform (4-year rotation), equipment and supplies are where most of the funds are applied
  - Transportation, facility maintenance, workers, awards, and capital improvements (large purchases, such as new banners, updated score tables, chairs and crash pads, golf cart/gator) are other areas where funds are applied
- **P&L Review**
  - July – September: 95% came from spirit wear and concessions
  - Each athlete receives an athlete banner displayed on senior night
- **Concessions**
  - Need a few folks for the QO football game on Friday
  - Next week, volunteers needed for JV and Varsity football games
  - Signup genius available for volunteering opportunities
  - Winter session and play-off games events will be added soon
  - Ongoing conversations with food truck vendor options
  - Mobile dining for dollars as a potential spring event
  - Purchased a hot-water, new squares, and other items
- **Silent Auction**
  - November 9 6:30pm at Bretton Woods
  - 100s of items up to bid
  - Catalog will be out on November 1
  - Theme for gifts for catalog needed by this Friday
  - Consider food truck options for Silent Auction event
- **Sprit Wear**
  - Covered
- **Disbursements**
  - **Green Team** – requesting funding to refurbish courtyard and build new garden, they are a new club; team is \$560 for materials (stones, edging, miraclegrow)
  - **Mathletes** – requesting funding \$300 to enter competition, 20 students involved; each club is asked to fundraise to supplement funding request
  - **Mock Trial** – requesting funding \$300 for registration to participate in a mock trial; have not had a chance to fundraise yet
  - **Paso Fuerte** – requesting funding \$3800 for coach fees/lessons; cannot pay for costumes (school will help cover the costs), will collect costumes at the end of the year

**Next Meeting: November 28, 2023**