

Whitewater High School PTSO  
Meeting Minutes whitewaterptso@gmail.com  
January 28, 2022

Call to Order	8:48 am
Minutes Review	Approved (1) Keri Davis (2) Sharon Smith
Principal Report	See Attached Report:
Student Report	Kate VanMeter: Students are settling back into their routines, and adjusting to masks or no masks easily. Students are looking forward to Prom. It is college decision time and senioritis is beginning to set in. Students are feeling stressed as workload increases so encourage and support your students!
Teacher Report	Jennifer Grossbohlín: Thank you, thank you, thank you for the gift wrap! AP applications are due Feb. 4 by 5:00pm. If your student is interested in an AP class, encourage them to watch the teacher video for that class to know what to expect. Please support the Valentine's Day Gift fundraiser. Buy carnations, cards, chocolate, or teddy bears to raise money for Prom. If you are interested in being a substitute teacher, please do so! The Fayette County school system is in need of subs!
Mr. Rabold Report	Confirmed the county is in need of substitute teachers. Currently 30% of needed sub positions are going unfilled daily. Feeder pattern meetings were held to determine what they would like to be done with future SPLOST money. The 4 <sup>th</sup> SPLOST will be on the ballot this fall. The current SPLOST will end in 2024 and the new SPLOST, if voted in, will continue from there. If SPLOST doesn't pass we will most likely lose the 1:1 Chromebooks for the county. Although it was voted to return to 2017 tax withholdings in the last election, federal money has been keeping things running. Building a new wing with 20 classrooms to eliminate the trailers at Whitewater has been discussed. Unfortunately Whitewater's population has been dropping so that may not be the best solution. If SPLOST is passed, an auxiliary gym may be built. Possibly adding classrooms to the auxiliary gym may be a better replacement to the trailers. Board has been reviewing policies and looking at the budget for next year, but waiting on the legislature to know what money we will get and what new laws we may need to follow. There is a "Parent Bill of Rights" in the legislature right now that may affect policy change in Fayette County. Currently school guidance counselors are trained in educational guidance, not necessarily mental health counseling. The superintendent is looking into ways to offer needed assistance to students that need counseling for mental health challenges. Congratulations to Mr. Cole, the new Assistant Superintendent of School Operations.

President Report	Thank you to all who volunteered for the teacher gift wrap. All went well and was much appreciated. PTSO Membership “Catch Up” opportunity is now closed. Many families took advantage of this opportunity which created more income for the PTSO and more students will now be able to apply for the scholarships. PTSO Scholarship Applications were sent to all seniors today via their Chromebook. Hard copies are also available in the Guidance office. All applications are due by 2pm on Feb. 4. No late applications will be accepted. Once the application is dropped off in the Guidance office, students will then be given the teacher recommendation form. Teacher recommendations are due Feb. 11. The nurse is checking her inventory. The PTSO will help to replenish supplies if needed.
Treasurer Report	See attached Treasurer’s Report. Approved (1) Sharon Smith (2) Ileanne Price
Committee Reports	<p>Staff Appreciation Luncheons: Keri Davis &amp; Roslyn Moreno –Upcoming dates: Feb. 11, and Apr. 1. Feb. 11 will be a Potato Bar! Signup Genius coming!</p> <p>Staff Breakfast Bars: Ileanne Price &amp; Sharon Smith –Upcoming date: Mar. 11.</p> <p>Gift Wrap: Lorri Goodman &amp; Lisa Eaton – Thank you to all who volunteered! It was much appreciated!</p> <p>Communication: Facebook – Sunni Blake – Please follow us at: <a href="http://www.facebook.com/whitewaterhsptsso">http://www.facebook.com/whitewaterhsptsso</a></p> <p>Beautification &amp; Nomination Committees: Still need someone to chair. If you are interested, please email <a href="mailto:whitewaterptsso@gmail.com">whitewaterptsso@gmail.com</a></p>
Old Business	<p>The county has installed the umbrella stands.</p> <p>PTSO Membership “Catch Up” Opportunity is now closed.</p>
New Business	<p>PTSO Scholarship Applications now available! Due Feb. 4. See “President’s report” for details.</p> <p>2021-2022 PTSO Meeting Schedule: all meetings will be held at 8:45am in the conference room in the library.</p> <p>February 25      March 25      April 22      May 20</p>
Adjournment	9:31 am (1) Sharon Smith (2) Mr. Cole