

# WGC Meeting Agenda

## February 7, 2017

### Welcome & Call to Order

- Role Assignments
  - Time Keeper \_\_\_\_\_ Tina Link \_\_\_\_\_
  - Start \_\_\_\_\_ 3:45 \_\_\_\_\_ Stop \_\_\_\_\_ 4:03 \_\_\_\_\_
- Introductions
- Approve minutes of last meeting
  - Approved by \_\_\_\_\_ Liz Manguno \_\_\_\_\_ and 2<sup>nd</sup> by \_\_\_\_\_ Tamara Hollingsworth \_\_\_\_\_

### Reports:

- Administration (3 voting members)
  - Principal – *Judy McNeill*
  - Administrative Delegate- *Suzanne Schott*
  - Non-certified Staff Delegate-Melissa Schrenk
    - Academics
      - Almost 6 weeks in
      - Doing well
        - All academic teams doing well
      - Nothing unusual – no EOC's, interruptions, etc.
      - Winter break coming up
        - Teachers are to quiz or test only on their assigned test day the week prior to break
    - Fine Arts
      - Large performance/evaluations occurring – see more under Fine Arts
    - Sports
      - Finishing winter sports
        - Basketball regionals tonight
        - Congrats to Swim & Dive teams!
          - Girls crushed state finals and boys placed well, too.
      - Starting spring sports
        - Baseball first game Friday
        - Wrestlers to state on Friday

- Department Representatives (9 voting members)
  - Career Tech (Whit Hubbard)
    - No report
  - English/ESOL (Greg Fleenor)
    - GHP
      - 26 students interviewing for GHP in every area.
      - February 25, at Berry College
    - Walton drama presents “Charlie Brown”
      - This Thurs – Sun at Dodgen Theater
  - Math (Jennifer West)
    - County tournaments continue (Varsity ranked 1<sup>st</sup>, JV ranked 2<sup>nd</sup>)
    - GSW tournament – students will miss ½ day on 2/16 and all of 2/17 – Walton looks to defend our title (last year broke the tournament record for all-time high score)
    - Administering the AMC on February 15<sup>th</sup> (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> period) – roster will be provided at the end of this week
    - Elementary MathFest to be held on March 18<sup>th</sup> – register early!  
<https://www.waltonmathteam.com/elementary-mathfest>

- Media/Guidance (Liz Manguno) Guidance
  - Guidance –
    - Sophomore Parent Night and the Classroom Guidance/BRIDGE activity went well. Anne is working on BRIDGE Bill cleanups for 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders currently to meet our goal of having 100% complete for the CCRPI report.
    - We will have the 9<sup>th</sup> BRIDGE Activity with the focus of exploring careers and reviewing promotion and graduation requirements through English classes on 2/15 and 2/16.
    - We are hosting a College Panel for juniors and their parents on Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.
    - The PTSA has funded .b Mindfulness training for the counselors and most counselors are participating on Wednesday afternoons the next few weeks. Karen Schwartz and I are covering the counseling departments on those WEB afternoons.
    - Beginning to make plans for Freshman Advisement and continuing to work with the middle schools on articulation and preparing the 8<sup>th</sup> graders to come to Walton next year.
  - Media Center –
    - The Walton Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl team took first place in the Regional Competition on February 4. The team advances to the Divisional competition on February 25.
    - The media center is purchasing ten student laptops and a laptop cart for class checkout. The plan is to purchase ten laptops a year until the cart has a full set of 30 laptops.
    - Liz Manguno is also participating in .b Mindfulness training with the counselors.
- PE/Fine Arts (Maggie Taylor)
  - Walton has been selected to be able to award the fine arts diploma seal from the state of Georgia. Seniors who have been in one of the fine arts classes (Visual Art, Band, Chorus or Orchestra) for all four years will have the opportunity to make a presentation about the merit of their experience in said class, and if they meet all criteria, they will receive the fine arts diploma seal. They are also required to complete community service and extra curricular activities in addition to being in the class. Thanks to Assistant Orchestra Director, Sara Grimes, for all her hard work putting this together!
  - GHP finalists have been announced! Our Walton fine arts finalists are: Jenny Choi (violin), Sabin Kim (clarinet), Zoe Lo (violin), Longna Liu (visual arts), Nitya Tak (visual arts), Anika Park (violin), and Grace Xu (piano), They have their state interviews on Saturday, February 25, 2017. Please congratulate these students!
- Science (Pat Harvey)
  - No report
- Social Studies (Christine Gordon)
  - We voted to remain on a traditional schedule during the on-level and Honors Econ EOC testing days rather than the A/B schedule.
  - Several students will be on the overseas trip.
- Special Education (Shannon Rastogi)
  - No report
- World Languages/Gifted (Rachel Baker)
  - Advanced French student earned the privilege to study in Paris next year.
  - Christina Diaz will not be returning

- Committee Facilitators Reports (non-voting members)

- Curriculum and Instruction (Tamara Hollingsworth)
  - No report

- Attendance and Discipline (Christy Lewis & Beth Plotkin)
  - No report

- Facilities (Elena Cox and Sheila Sell)

- Looked at pictures of the new building. Looks great!
- Mr. Tischler is setting up tours for more faculty members.

- Goals and Assessment (*Jennifer West*)
  - No report

- Professional Learning (Callie Bryan and Dan Campagna)

- Committee members will continue to update Callie and Dan regarding new and ongoing professional learning opportunities throughout the semester. A final list will be compiled and shared in April.
- Several committee members were interested in the dates for Walton APSI, and how the construction and move will impact APSI.

- Staff Enhancement (Roberta Manheim/Jasenda League)

- Will do something small for Valentine's Day, as usual
- Collection of dues went well.

- Student Climate (Olympia Diaz)

- We discussed plans for Halloween next year in the new building.
  - Huge thanks to Pam LaVangie for approving it to be on a WEB
  - Ideas/thoughts
    - Form a Committee to plan the group events/booths
    - Still have concerns about the new building and how to make this work with different floors.
    - Idea: Limit the setups to the bottom floor?
    - For Group Booths – Sign up for the booths and make students accountable. Administration will need help in registering and overseeing things.
    - Idea: Have a “Reverse” WEB Day - Have festivities until 11:00. After that, shut off and then school mode.
    - Bring up suggestions in department meetings to get feedback from others. We need to think in terms of the new building.
    - Overall agree that the day should not be cancelled. It has been a Walton tradition for years. Students deserve this day for themselves. They work very hard all year long.
    - Groups must be responsible for cleanup. Maybe assign community hours.
    - Maybe set up by grade level in the new building? A different grade level per floor?

- Technology (*David Dewar*)

- No report

- Students (2 voting members) -Seniors: Abhi Nathan & Sabrina Kaplan Juniors: Alternating Reps

No report

- PTSA (3 voting members) – Paty Holdmeyer, Irene Barton

- **Upcoming Events:**

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- **February**

- • We are looking for new executive board members. Any PTSA member, can be nominated to serve on the board. If you are interested, please contact Jennifer Shaw at [theshaws@bellsouth.net](mailto:theshaws@bellsouth.net).

- • The ECCC PTA Margie Hatfield Scholarship applications are due February 28<sup>th</sup>. Each spring one senior Walton student who has made a significant contribution to the community can be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship.

- **March:**

- • Planning **the Career Fair the March 8<sup>th</sup>**. We currently have about 40 professionals RSVPed representing careers ranging from Dentist, Engineers, and Electricians. More information will be coming up and we encourage teachers and students to talk it up.

- • **Raiders Pride Awards** will take place in the Auditorium, March 16th

- • **Self Defense** will be taught in health classes the week of March 20<sup>th</sup> and during the March 22<sup>nd</sup> WEB for senior girls. There will also be a community class March 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 pm.

- • **PTSA Raider Pride Scholarship:** Seniors who have won the Raider Pride Award at any time during their WHS career are eligible to apply for the Raider Pride \$1,000 Scholarship Award. One Senior Boy and one Senior Girl will be awarded this scholarship at Honors Night. Applications and (2) letters of recommendation must be submitted by, March 24, 2017.

- **Key Accomplishments and Activities:**

- **January:**

- • PTSA held their General Meeting on January 19<sup>th</sup>. A nominating committee for the 2017-2018 executive board members was voted on. Chris Adams and Nick Parker from the Cobb County School District offices provided key information about Walton construction status and how the ED-SPLOST V will affect Walton construction. ED-SPLOST vote is March 21, 2017.

- • Jill Gregory led a discussion on Maximizing Your Performance called “**Fuel for Performance**” during WEB on January 25<sup>th</sup>.

- • Held Teacher Appreciation Week January 30<sup>th</sup> through February 3<sup>rd</sup>. We Love our Teachers and School Staff!

- **February:**

- • In partnership with Guidance, PTSA held a very successful Forum to explore college programs for students with special needs. 10 college panelists represented certificate programs, 2 year and 4 year programs. There was a college fair before and after the panel discussion. It was attended by over 125 parents and students traveling as far away as Peachtree City.

- • The Walton PTA Cluster hosted the ECCC PTATeacher of the Year banquet, February 2, 2016. Kathleen Petka was recognized as Walton’s awesome teacher of the year.

- • Held Mindfulness session during Web on February 1, 2017.

- Facilities Foundation ( 2 voting members ) – Sallie Winokur, Heena Patel

No report

- Business/Community [Partners in Education, CCSD Board member, Community Representative] ( 3 voting members )

No report

- Old Business

- New Business

- Motion to Adjourn

- By \_\_\_\_\_

WGC (Council) Meetings:

(Held at 3:30 in the B-Hall Conference Room)

August 9 (kick-off meeting)  
September 6  
October 4  
November 1  
December 6  
January 10 / 24  
February 7  
March 7  
April 11 (due to Spring Break)  
May 2

WGC Committee Meetings:

(Times and locations vary by committee)

August 16  
September 13  
October 11  
November 15 (due to Election Day on 11/8)  
December 13  
January 17  
February 14  
March 14  
April 18