



Willet Elementary PTO Minutes

September 12, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Kirsten Mailhot at 7:05pm.

In attendance

See Attendance List.

Minutes

- ✓ June 2017 Minutes Accepted

Officer's Reports:

A. President's Report

- i. Welcome
 - Kirsten Mailhot – President
 - Julie Feiess – Vice President
 - Teresa Lavallee – Treasurer
 - Melissa Slade – Fundraising Coordinator
 - Amanda Slade – Secretary
- ii. Welcome and Intro's
- iii. Quick Calendar of Events review
 - a. Open Committee Chairs
 - i. Family Fitness Night
 - ii. Someone Special Dance
- iv. Goals for the year: Parent involvement/sense of community, Playground, continued technology support, field trips/enrichment, teacher grants, garden
- v. Upcoming: Half day hat day (9/15, 10/6), whale wishes (due 9/15)
- vi. Working on ACC Grants, due beginning of October

B. Treasurer's Reports

- 1. Teresa briefly discussed overview of year and wrap up. See treasurer report.
- 2. 2017-2018 Budget – Voted & Passed.

C. Fundraising Coordination

Recap Summer Nights (Total 71.69)

- Friendlys (7-12-2017) Lots of Floods that day Raised \$42.54 (20% Sales)
- Bertuccis (8-17-2017) \$29.15 (15% Sales)

Nights Planned

- Hong Kong 9-18-2017 Raises 30%
- Attleboro House of Pizza 10-16-2017 Raises 15%
- Sky Zone 11-9-2017 \$5- per Person (Need Sky Socks to Jump \$2-)
- Bertuccis 12-7-2017 Raises 15%

Yankee Candle

Julie O'Boyle is heading. Sale will Run 9-22-2017 to 10-6-2017 orders due to Yankee by 10-13-2017 & will deliver prior to Thanksgiving (November 23rd) – Proceeds are 40%

Discount Cards

Discount Cards in the works, most of the previous businesses are still on, we have some new ones as well: McDonalds, Chubs Blue Pig BBQ, Lets Party, working on The Tavern in Plainville, Painted Turtle, Chuck E Cheese we had 18 offers on the cards for 2017, for 2018 the goal is 20-25. Anyone has a business or works for a business who may be looking to offer a deal or a discount please let me know (I have forms if needed) Trying to get all signed & on by Oct 1. A few who couldn't offer a deal but said they may have something else to offer for another event (holiday) so it worked out well reaching out to them. (Attleboro House of Pizza will not use a code online b/c anyone could use code – Per Monica)

Sell them right before Thanksgiving break and have them due in December, maybe around 12/12 then we can get them passed out before Christmas break -Selling Same as last year \$10/Card

Celtics

At the end of the meeting we can vote if we want to do or not, this is not a event to make money for the school, but an affordable event with added bonuses that we would like to consider sharing with Families. Deposit needs to be sent to hold our spot, \$300. Tickets are sold to families; depending on the amount of tickets sold we may have opportunity for kids to go on court to watch pre-practice, or photo op on center court. Most affordable tickets we can get range about \$30-35. If we do not sell enough tickets or any tickets our deposit is returned. Games are all Weeknight, School Night 7:30 games 30-35 Range

Principal's Report: Kindergarten students finished on 6/2. Looking forward to their return as 1st graders in the fall. Mrs. Ferney has returned from her maternity leave. Much appreciation to Lynn Falzone for filling in. Willett hosted Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito assisted by State Rep Heroux to announce that Attleboro Public Schools has been awarded a grant with contribution from the City of Attleboro, State and Federal Governments to further improve Wi-Fi networks. The library will be transitioning into Library Media Center in the fall. A school-wide community day is planned for June 14th – grades 1-4 will be giving back to City organizations; Grade 1 Fire & Police Stations, Grade 2 Library, Grade 3 Christopher Heights and Grade 4 Senior Center. Field trips are planned for Grade 3, Freedom Trail and Grade 4, Museum of Science. 4th grade event night planned – dance, ice cream social and yearbook signing. Six submissions were received from families who watched the Feinstein Leaders of the Future broadcast. These were submitted to Alan Feinstein and the Feinstein Foundation has generously sent Willett \$1,800.00! Community Connections Committee will be meeting in the fall to discuss a Mix, Make and Mingle event that will be held in the garden.

D. Vice President Report

1. Goals of focusing on parent involvement and community.
2. Directory – Meet ups, birthdays, etc. Discuss online vs. paper

E. Principal's Report

1. Human Resources: We have hired three new staff thus far this year: Charissa Lock, grade 3; Lisa Smith - PE/Health; Sheryl Sears - Spark Paraprofessional. We will be hiring a part-time library paraprofessional for this year only.

2. Teaching and Learning: We are excited to provide students with PE/Health this year. Our new teacher, Lisa Smith, will be working with students on PE/Health and our Social/Emotional Curriculum (Second Step/Steps to Respect). We are scheduled for ST Math training on September 11th. Due to the efforts, reflections and successes of our students and staff, the full ST Math program will be used in three buildings this year.
3. Family and Community Engagement: We are looking forward to the Mix, Move, Mingle - Movie night to be held on Friday, September 22nd. Many staff have shared they plan on attending to assist with the "Move" portion of the night. Welcome Back Night will take place on Tuesday, September 26th from 6-8 p.m.
4. Professional Growth: We are looking forward to our new Professional Development - Targeted, which will allow us to work on building based initiatives. Teachers will be able to explore new methodologies and ideas in creating projects that will connect nicely to the community at large.

F. Subcommittee Reports

1. Mix, Move, Mingle Movie Night 9/22
2. Trunk or Treat 10/27
3. Holiday Extravaganza (First Kick Off Meeting Dunkin Donuts North Main Street, Thursday Sept 28th 6pm)
4. Book Fair Dates
5. Garden – Looking for volunteers for helping clean up the garden before winter. Garden Committee is requesting 2 passes to URI Garden Conference. Voted & Passed.

New Business:

1. Q-Ball - Mrs. Martin – Voted & Passed.

Next Meeting

Thursday, October 19, 2017 at 7:00 PM

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:30 PM