

Winooski PTO Meeting Minutes
March 20, 2019

Attendees: Joe Smith, Jennifer M., Laura Lee, Amelie Thurston, Michelle DiSisto, Lydia Mongeon, Sarah McGowan-Freije, Jessica Audette, Lynn Garcia, Kate Cappleman-Sinz, Nikki Cabral, Kate Simone

Secretary's Report:

ACTION: The group approved the February meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

February Revenue:

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| • Dances | \$ 155.92 |
| • Interest | \$ 0.08 |

February Expenses:

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| • Popcorn/Sno Cone supplies | \$ 68.00 |
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TOTAL **\$26,240.04**

(Bottom line doesn't include WalMart grant.)

March Highlights:

- Lance came through with \$4K (January and February). Unclear with what frequency we'll be getting future donations.
- Fun Fair (not official total): \$1425 (bracelets only, 300 bracelets) Katherine LaVigne to continue next year.

ACTION: The group approved the Treasurer's Report.

NEW BUSINESS

Winooski Partnership for Prevention: Survey regarding attitudes about alcohol and tobacco.

ACTION: Sarah M-F to send survey link around to PTO members to take.

FUNDS REQUESTS

Lynn Garcia: Fourth Grade field trip to Flynn (Taiko drumming) on 3/19 came to \$400+. Asking for \$324. Teachers are willing to add their \$50 stipends to this. SMF mentioned that Target will

pay grants for “education field trips.” ***ACTION: The group voted in favor of paying this difference.***

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Holiday Vendor Craft Fair: Need to send emails out starting in May (Round 1) then July (Round 2). Vendors are asking about spring fair. Wrangling the checks is kind of a pain but electronic methods might cost people extra. Sarah M-F is happy to get the checks and will explore options.

Fundraising Committee:

- **Yard Sale (5/18):** Laura, Sarah, and Jessica to map out spaces on grass. “Rent” TBD.
- **99 Restaurant:** Took place 3/19. Made around \$160 from restaurant sales. 50/50 raffle proceeds about \$80. Ted Olson won the 50/50 raffle (\$43.50).
- **Fun Run:** Going to be tabled. Dates don’t work with City (parks and trails), conflicts with Girls on the Run. The group will explore for the possibility of doing this in the fall.
- **Golf Tournament (6/22):** Committee to work with Chris/Matt. Sarah/Chris/Matt going to work on flyer this week. PTO needs to get sponsors; a flyer will be forthcoming. Sponsors will need our Tax ID #. Jess to send letter to SMF as example. Sponsorship levels: \$1000, \$500, \$250. We need a lot of sponsors!! Do we want to do a silent auction (PTO’s responsibility)? Sponsors get a sign on a hole. “Sponsor a hole.” Another idea: “Golf ball dump” (participants write their name on a golf ball. All balls get dumped out near a hole, whoever’s ball is closest the hole wins.)

Dance Committee: 5th grade dance is the next one we’re responsible for, then the 8th grade dance. The PTO is not needed to help with the upcoming HS dance. For 8th grade, can we swing a photo booth again this year? Can we afford to buy our own? How feasible is this logistically to wrangle/maintain/etc.?

Fun Fair Committee: Well received, people had a good time. Bake sale was a big hit. A bit stinky in the gym. The bounce house needs socks!

Talent Show Committee (3/29, 6:30): Dress rehearsal this Saturday (3/23). A lot of different kinds of acts (e.g., a skit from community health center staff). See bake sale email from Michelle. Cheyne (Facilities Manager) said it’s OK for people to eat all kinds of food in the PAC. There seem to be enough people to staff the bake sale + after party. Kate to help with the program. Could we get someone to take photos? Charlotte Blend will be photographing the Talent Show and may try to get something in the HOMETOWN paper. Arica Bronz is working on a photo release form to be signed by participants at dress rehearsal. Cheyne is hanging backdrop for stage.

JFK Yearbook Committee: No one here to report. Let's make sure to be sending photos to Jacie as we have them.

UPDATE: Jacie had sent this email too late to present to the group on 3/20:

- *We had a cover contest similar to last year. The front and back cover were picked by our custodial staff.*
- *Class pages have been done. We have decided to keep all students in classes weather they moved or not.*
- *The committee is beginning to create candid pages now. The book will be finished and sent to Lifetouch to print by April break.*

Questions to the PTO:

1) We would like to make a double page spread labeled "PTO Sponsored Events." This would be Fun Fair, Disco Night, etc. Are you ok with that?

2) Do you have any sponsors you would like on the Thank you page?

3) Do we want Girl Scout/Boy Scout pages?

WSD PTO Capital Improvement Tour: 4/2 @ 5:30 What will happen to the sports fields?

BOOSTERS: HS Baseball starts in April. Are we going to start selling concessions? Lori Lambert says she is selling this spring. Can we check with her to cover the games she's not planning on working? We need to start planning on selling as Boosters starting this fall. Coach B. wants SMF and LM to meet with LL for the hand-off. What needs to be handed off is unclear. 501(3)c info would be included.

"I Am From Here" with VT-NEA (4/18): Martha Allen is the VT-NEA rep. Can we get this on Kate Nugent's radar? Kate S. to work on posting to FB and FPF. Other PTO members to help get the word out about this in other communities (Essex, Milton, etc.).

Elections: Hats go in the ring in April, and then we vote in May. The current President, Secretary, and Treasurer have served their 2-year term limits and will need replacements!

NEXT MEETING:

Wednesday, April 17 @ 5:30