Winooski PTO Meeting Minutes
November 17, 2018

Attendees: Sarah M-F, Kate Simone, Laura Lee, Sarah Poland, Michelle DiSisto, Lydia, Amber, Jessica Audette, Jennifer Milizia, Joe Smith

CELEBRATION: Wal Mart donation: Back to school supplies, Sarah M-F picked up. Thanks, Jennifer!! Sean M. called to thank her! We want to send a thank you card.

Timekeeper: Jessica Audette

Secretary’s Report: ACTION: Group approved the September meeting minutes.

Treasurer’s Report:

REVENUE:
- Interest from bank: $0.08
- McKee’s Ticket Donations: $2,373.00
- Holiday/Vendor Craft Fair: $1,050.00
- Cookbook: $10.00
TOTAL: $3,433.08

EXPENSES:
Hospitality:
- International Dinners Fall/Spring: $103.66

Program Expense:
- Back to School BBQ: $5.89
- Sound/DJ Services: $200.00
- Teacher Grants: $100.00
TOTAL: $305.89

Cash balance at end of period: $25,671.48

ACTION: Group approved Treasurer’s report.

Lake Monsters: We can a 50/50 raffle the same day as our fundraiser. We can try it out and see how goes. ACTION: Sarah to say yes.

Sarah Poland Funds request. Healy Productions price has increased for winter concert (from $750 to $800). $2000 for stage from VT Tent Company comes out of music budget. Music Dept. is asking for any help. ACTION: The group approved $400 for this for this year. Let’s revisit this category in January so we can plan on this for the future. Also, what about buying a stage?
Sarah Murphy: 2nd graders have been invited to a UVM Women’s Basketball game on February 20, 2019. This event is called the Catamount Classroom and is an annual event in which local schools are invited to cheer on UVM Women’s Basketball team and participate in events at the Patrick Gymnasium that focus on social emotional learning and career and college readiness. Tickets for all students and chaperones are donated, but the school need to pay for transportation - $277.58. Game is on a Wednesday @ 11AM. Lydia asked about possibility of using City of Winooski’s buses. Are these allowed? This is a field trip. ACTION: The group voted to approve this.

Jessica Bruce: Asking for $400 for Middle/High School yearbook. We gave her $200 last year. ACTION: We will give $200 for this as budgeted.

Kyle Blindow (Coach B.): “PE equipment in this generation is very expensive. Our PE budget only gives us $650. We are very thankful of this, but when a bag of 6 balls costs $150 and they have to be replaced every year, this does not leave much, and we try to update items one year at a time. We now have the great gaga ball pit and we would like to get multiple gaga balls for our gaga unit in the spring. We are out of beach volleyballs for our volleyball unit. We have basketball 20 years old that we need to hopefully replace soon as I have thrown out many recently and some are still warped and are cracking. Additionally, we only have the junior balls, and by the time students are in 4th/5th grade (and my middle school classes), they really should be practicing with women’s 28.5 balls at the minimum, so we can prepare them for middle school athletics. I have lent out many jump ropes and hula hoops to programs across the district so that they could save money, but over the last couple years multiple items have gone old or broke. We need to upgrade our indoor tennis balls (we are down to about 25 left) and wiffleballs (5 left). We also are down to 7 indoor soccer balls, and Dennis Barcomb has some outdoor soccer balls, but mine are all out and can’t retain air. Our “30” scooters” are down to 18 and also need to upgrade eventually, as the wheels are consistently needing to be replaced. Requesting between $100 and $900." ACTION: The group voted to give $500 to Coach B. for ball/scooter/etc.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Holiday Vendor/Craft Fair: Signs missing from traffic circle. Sandwich board needs to go out on 15. Raffle rules discussed. Volunteer time slots discussed. Five HS students coming on Saturday. Melissa to be here Friday PM, but not the whole time. Coin drop: Project Grad? Lori Lambert. We haven’t heard anything. Karen Greene is also interested in doing this for the prom. Do we need sign-making materials? Lydia says we have these in the closet. ACTION: Michelle to check with LL about this. Sarah to get tape, 2 banks. Everyone else to show up and BAKE. If teachers have baked goods, they can drop off with Cathy Bray.

Fundraising Committee:

- December 6 is Winooski Day Out (restaurants or any business in area). Laura working on letter/form. The committee needs help dropping these off. Our pitch is that we will be
promoting them. West Side Deli, Bagel Place. Need forms back by 11/21. Need to track via Google Sheet (*Jess to do*). Need to update letter with logo. Include McKee’s as part of promo even if they’re not giving us $$.

- February: Bingo? Flower sales?
- March: Fun Fair/Talent Show
- April 13: Sr. Center Easter Bunny and egg hunt?
- May: Community Yard Sale in parking lot
- June: End of year celebration support

**Talent Show:** Meeting in early December.

**JFK Yearbook:** We’ve already gotten a bill from them. Do we have a contract with them? We had talked last month about what the school’s investment/budget is for this. What is the administration’s plan for this? We need to follow up on this. Can we get Jacie to answer some of these questions. **ACTION: Joe to follow up with Jacie.**