



Whitehills School Association

Meeting Minutes

August 16, 2022 • 6:00pm

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1. Call to order at 6:04 pm
 - a. Introductions around the virtual room- in attendance: Sara Haller, Paul Donahue, Trisha Donahue, Beth Young, Crystal Miller, Shane Johnson, Angie Sprecher, Ms. McKenzie, Jessica Eyde, Lauren Glass
 - b. Additions to the agenda- Crossing Guard issue
2. Approval of May 2022 WSA meeting minutes- Motion to approve by Sara Cunningham, Paul Donahue.
3. Officer reports
 - a. Sara Haller - President
 - i. **Marco's Pizza Night Updates**- Bob at Marco's pizza has emailed to say that pizza nights will change. Before needed 50 orders before a pizza party granted. Now once school hits 50 orders, class with most orders will get the pizza party. Resets every 50 orders. Sept 15th is the first pizza night. Also they are bringing back box night- coordinates with Art teacher. Marco's provides the flyers to go home. Earn 15% back from all orders. Sara will reach out to Mrs. Ruttman.
 - ii. Jan's closet money still in WSA account- money is still in our account. Paul will reach out to Mia to get info to transfer to Green.
 - iii. Science Festival (November) and Science Fair (spring)- Kyle Enger emailed WSA and offered to coordinate. Maybe partner with another elementary school for Science Festival night. Told Kyle to reach out to WSA with anything he needs for these items.
 - b. Jessica Eyde - Vice President- no report
 - c. Paul Donahue - Treasurer

i. Treasurer's report- \$14,369.70 is current balance in checking account. \$8,991.04 is still in account for Jan's Closet. All but \$1,000 will be transferring to Green.

4. Principal and staff reports, news, questions
 - a. Shane Johnson - Principal- has to leave at 6:40. Concrete being laid for outdoor learning space. We are one of 2 schools to get this. Hired 4 new teachers, ASD teacher, resource room, 1/2 time intervention position, and new music teacher (Nicole Lawrence). Teachers are starting to come in this week. Very excited about back to school night. Will be an open house format. (haven't been able to do this before). Supposed to get update this week for COVID protocols. BOE did pass that will start this year as mask optional. Will work on being inclusive as to all levels of comfort.
 - b. WSA could have a table at the door area to try to recruit new members. Could let parents know when we meet, etc.
 - c. Asked about crossing guard position- no longer funded by Safe Routes to School. Mr. Johnson is not yet sure if can be a paid position. Feels that important.
 - d. Free lunch for all does not apply this year. So families will need to load the lunch card accounts. There is info in the Welcome Letter and will send another email regarding this.
 - e. Can have WSA meetings in the school in person. (Request to have hybrid)
5. District School Council (DSC / DPC) Update - Sara Cunningham- setting agenda soon so feel free to forward questions that would like to see covered by DSC. Will distribute meeting schedule and agenda when reached.
6. Back to School Night - Sara H.- estimated about 291 kids this year. WSA will have a table there with flyers of meeting dates and sign up sheets for various events.
7. Spirit Wear - Trisha- mocked up a Part of the Pack, Whitehills t shirt. In the past, sold for \$12, the proposed shirt would fit into that budget. Shirt design approved. Would like to provide shirts to the part of the pack as well. WSA does have a square reader if want to do pre-orders at the event. Talked about opportunity to sell other items like long sleeve shirts and hooded sweatshirts, etc. Could do two designs if wanted.
8. WSA Priorities for 2022/23 School Year - Sara H.- does anyone know what happened to Katie H's lists of who volunteered to help with various items? It is in the shared file to access as needed. Should consider an eblast to parents as to anticipated events, what they entail and a call for help as needed.
 - a. Monthly treat for students (popcorn Fridays)- -Jessica Eyde willing to lead
 - b. Yearbook- if we are going to help with this, we should consider taking pictures at Back to School event and all school events.
 - c. Staff lunches on 1/2 days (conferences)

- d. Teacher grants (no volunteers needed)
 - e. Snacks for teacher lounge- Jessica Eyde willing to lead
 - f. Mileage Club
 - g. Box Tops Coordinator - need a leader. Not bringing in the money were back in 2019 and before.
 - h. Carnival - Rachelle Hosler (sp?) volunteered to help lead the effort for the carnival.
 - i. Whitehills 5K- Crystal running. Angie Smith is willing to help since she helped run it before. Thinking August 2023. Earliest we could consider Spring.
 - j. (Outdoor) Movie Night- could consider doing this in the Fall while weather is nice. Previously this was an inside event. Paul is willing to help with projection and sound if someone else is willing to lead.
 - k. Teacher Appreciation Week
 - l. Fall and Spring Book Fairs
 - m. Science Club - Kyle Enger previously did. Maybe someone else would be willing to do. Previously was monthly - 2 different sessions each month (broken up by two age groups).
 - n. Bucket filler prizes?
9. Budget for 2022/2023 school year - Paul presented the start of a draft budget (comparison from previous years). Need to complete. Will need more substantial fundraising this year.
10. Playground equipment - Tri totter is broken, consider replacing with pretend play item (suggestion from a parent). Would school repair or replace? Is there any bond money or capital improvement money to take care of? Sara C will ask at DSC to see if any money available.
11. Future meetings - in person- will check on which rooms available. In past, a babysitter was offered during the meeting. Could consider doing that again if helps with attendance.
12. Other business, questions, announcements, etc.-
- a. When holiday parties were eliminated, the thought was to replace with other fun events. Not sure if that was done or not, but should we consider doing something to add fun? Add to next agenda.
 - b. Can we add plastic playhouses to playground like Glencairn has? Sara H will ask Mr Johnson
13. Adjournment at 7:07. Next meeting will be September 13 at 6 pm