

## **Waterville Valley Elementary School PTO Meeting Agenda**

**Date: October 2, 2023**

**Time: 5:30- 6:30 pm**

**Location: In-person at WVES**

**Attendees: Nicholas Cassie (President), Michelle Cassie (Communications Secretary), Colleen Sullivan (Recording Secretary), Stevie Larkin (Vice President), Katie Smith, Wendy Kingman and Lindsay Costello**

### **Principal's Report -Lindsay Costello**

- A letter to parents will be going home to notify parents that recent testing has determined that 3 sinks in the school have high levels of lead present. Plan of action pending.
- The field trip to Squam Lake Science Center is Monday October 16<sup>th</sup>.
- All school hike will occur on 10/11, notices have gone home about trails. Two hiking options up Mt. Tecumseh and another to Greeley ponds.
- No school Columbus Day 10/9 or the following day 10/10.
- Middle school field trip to Mizpah hut and 2-3 trip on Mount Washington Cog were great successes.
- Biking in PE is going well, end date is not currently known and will be determined based on weather.
- New curriculums for 4-5 and 6-8 have started. 4-5 Into reading, 6-8, into literature

### **Financial Report – Nicholas Cassie (President)**

- Starting balance: \$10,000. Current balance \$14,000.
- Monies earned from Black Bear- \$3,000 from Fresh Tracks and an additional \$290 in donations
- We have earned additional monies from the Pickleball Tournament, approx. \$1500-2000 after expenses.

### **New/On-Going Business**

Pickleball Tournament recap:

- Beginner's clinic was well received
- Suggested that more trophies for participants next year. One for each player instead of a shared trophy for each team.
- Suggested that we have a scannable QR code for venmo next time.
- More involvement from WVES families for volunteering
- Suggested we increase price for registration

Pizza Fridays

- Starting October 6, flyer and sign-ups for delivery help has gone out
- Cost will be \$65 per student, additional students in same family will be \$45

### Columbus Day Bake Sale

- On day of Fall foliage foot race, Sunday October 8<sup>th</sup> 8am-2pm
- PTO has sent out sign-up genius for volunteers and baked good donations.
- Steve Larkin will coordinate with resort contact Jamie Corbett

### Harvest Dinner

- Coyote grill has indicated that they are not available this year. Discussion about how to proceed. It was suggested that we cook the food ourselves at the conference center, that someone approach Coyote to determine if we can somehow salvage this year or we order food from another vendor.
- Presale of tickets may be worthwhile so we can obtain an accurate headcount.
- Tentative date: 11/14 5-6:30pm, conference center is available that day.
- Parents will need to supervise their children at all times in the Conference Center. No food/drink allowed downstairs.

### School Apparel

- The website is up and running, 15% of proceeds go to PTO. It will be open entire school year.
- Go to [squadlocker.com](https://squadlocker.com), select Find Your Store and enter Waterville Valley.

### Future Business

#### Trees and Wreaths

- Trees and wreaths have been ordered.
- Will need volunteers for delivery which typically occurs before Thanksgiving.

#### Book Fair

- Discussion about whether book fair be official PTO event. Given that funds need to be deposited into a bank account prior to paying Scholastic it would be ideal that a reputable organization (such as the PTO) would handle this. Nicholas Cassie made a motion for fair to become official PTO sponsored event. All were in favor.
- Should we do rolling or table top? Rolling is easier to set up and visually appealing to shoppers.
- Katie Smith and Colleen Sullivan volunteered to coordinate the Book Fair this April.

### Open Forum Discussions

**Next Meeting** – November 6, 2023 5:30pm