

**Home and School of Wenonah
Monthly Meeting Minutes
October 10, 2018**

President Jenn Kiesel called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

Present: Jocelyn Kenyon, Kimberly Brown, Darcie Sanchez, Jaclyn Martin, Deb Cline, Jillian McClosky, Melissa McNally, Erin Cook, Jennifer Kiesel, Jennifer Ream, Meghan Walsh and Kristine Height.

Review of Previous Month's Minutes: Minutes from September 2018 were reviewed and passed.

Correspondence Review: There were 4 thank you notes from Mrs. McNally, Ms. Height, Mrs. Murphy, and Ms. Nicolle.

Treasurer's Report: Review of the money in the accounts. Opt Out has raised \$760 so far. The Kindergarten back to school gifts cost \$664. The Wish List items for the teachers has come to \$1919. Teacher Appreciation costs include Christmas gifts for this year. The Hospitality committee needs to be reimbursed for the Back to School tea. The Treasurer's report was passed.

Update from CSA: Ms. Height went over a few items for the start of the year. Fire Prevention Day will be on October 11th. Each grade will participate in different activities. Christie Henry has organized the 1st Home and School Assembly next week on bullying and character building. In May there will be one about NJ. The Safe Routes project will have an assembly to start gathering data on how kids get to school ie: walking, bike riding, drop off. Once the data is collected then the various needs will be addressed. The Halloween Parade will be at 1:30 with a 12:30 pick up for lunch. There will be lunch clubs starting up soon. Offerings will be Helping Hands, Mileage Club, Student Representatives Group, and a Chess Club. In February there will be a showcase of what Wenonah School is doing for diversity. There will be a meeting to discuss E&I and how it looks at a number of assessments to determine the needs of each child. The letters will go out 10/18 and will include the resources they are using and the teachers they will be working with. It will also include a breakdown of the skills that will be addressed. This year they will be using an IXL Bingo Board to motivate and reward the students with a prize drawing. On Monday October 15th On Course Log-In's will be coming home as well as information about pick up on Halloween. Notification about state testing will be going out in min November due to changes at the state level.

Committee Updates:

- Barnes and Noble Night: Will be Friday, November 30th. Purchases can be made all day, but the event will run from 5-9pm. There will be vouchers and stickers for the customers to have the Wenonah School code. There will also be a cheesecake sale from the Cheesecake Factory and all items in the café count as well. The Barnes and Noble gift cards from SCRIP can also be used that night, so there will be a presale offered from 10/15 – 10/29. The teachers will be providing suggested lists of books for the kids and homework passes will be offered that night. There should be a social media release on Monday. Mrs. Zuber will need help in the library both before and after the event. Also a microphone would be helpful on the night, which Mr. Trimble may have.
- Holiday Shop: All the slots are full. The committee will be going through the closet at the school on 10/18 to clean out and assess what is there. Mrs. Murphy's 5th and 6th grade students will be doing 2 projects this year. Two samples need to be ready by 11/12 and all need to be ready by 11/26. A Sign Up Genius for Elves will go out 11/2 and the Hospitality Committee will also provide refreshments.
- Box Tops: The old ones have been cleaned up to remove expired entries. Classes are collecting now for the 10/22 submission deadline. There is also a program at 'Shoprite For My School' to enter your Shoprite Card number and when certain products are purchased they will contribute to our Box Tops account.

- Butterfly Garden: A small cleanup was done a couple of weeks ago. The pond is cleaned now and has a new bubbler. The Cub Scouts will update the signs. This is also a Learning for Fun activity. The space will be re-mapped and a binder will be made to keep track of the plantings and will help with potential funding.
- Lunch Program: Good turnout this year. The Helper signup filled up in a couple of days. The lunch on October 31st will be moved to Thursday November 1st.
- Santa Breakfast: Will be on Saturday 12/15. There is a Santa, a photographer, a cook and the Hospitality Committee is on board. Jessica Renner is thinking about shadowing and there may be a need for a possible co-chair.
- Air Purifiers: They are \$48 each and there would be 18 needed for the classrooms, library and the art room. Total is \$867.35. The filters need to be changed every 6-8months at \$15 each which would be an ongoing cost of \$540 per year. The motion to purchase the air purifiers and filters was passed.
- Movie Night: This will be Friday November 16 at 7pm in the APR and will be done by 9pm. This is not a drop your kid off event. A small committee is needed to run the concessions and pick a movie. Possible movie option is Shrek, since that will be the school play this year.
- Learning for Fun: There are 5 classes going now with 63 students enrolled.
- Fresh Produce from Local Farms: Still looking for options.
- Fall Festival: October 27th. Food, games and pumpkin auction are all set. There are 13 vendors signed up so far.
- Bingo Night: Will be February 22nd from 6:30-8pm.
- School Directory: Lili Baylor will be removing it from the Volunteer list since she usually has it done before volunteers are available.
- Home and School Website: We can either do Wix or a tab is available on the Wenonah School website. Jen Buckman is the go to person from the school regarding the website. Caitlin can work with her to post the pdf's of the weekly notes and other H&S information.

New Business:

- Mr. Trimble would like to purchase a new rug for his classroom as a part of his teacher Wish List item. The rug costs \$700 and to motion to purchase was passed.
- A new 10x20 tent was bought and will be stored in the garage.
- The Remind App will be used to send out H&S reminders. Suggestions on how to get families signed up. There can be a blast sent out to families to inform how to sign up.
- In an attempt to boost SCRIP sales for the holidays there will be a form sent out with possible options. This will be a fundraiser for November or the beginning of December.