

Waitsfield Elementary School PTA Meeting

Minutes, 11-10-2011

In Attendance: Helen Ward, Beth Libby, Christine Sullivan, Jennifer Stella, Buny Downing, Sara Arman, Elizabeth Schwarz, Bear Simmons, Kaiya Korb

Ski and Skate Sale Recap

Most feedback has been positive. There seemed to be limited children's clothing and boot this year (perhaps due to the flood relief tag sale)? The WES website should be better updated. We seemed to have been plagued with untagged items from vendors so next year we should remind vendors to check tags. Perhaps there could be a volunteer next year to check tags of people in line (and "line tenders" directing traffic for Saturday am).

Next year Bear Simmons has graciously offered to run the sale in 2012. Buny will be in charge of food, and Amy J plans to remain involved in eh volunteer efforts.

There needs to be a PTA presence in the back room next year. Also, pre-registration, if it could be automated, should be discussed as early as possible.

The PTA should try to get more feedback from the broader community. Jennifer Stella will prepare and send out a survey.

***NOTE: If you have not already done so, you can view and provide comments in the published form here:**

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dHJMa0w0Q0V0ZFpWQXpIVmxtckxpVnc6MQ>

Helen W motioned to purchase a new stove for the school kitchen with proceeds. JS seconded.

Actions:

Update website (KK)

The kitchen also needs to be cleaned; Beth and Buny agreed to take this project.

Thank you cards (sent)

Offer to get feedback (JS)

Decision on majority of proceeds above budget to go to ?? (this should be discussed at the next mtg).

Thanks to Sharon Dube for putting together the **School Directory**, which raised \$1400!

WES Social

Helen and Stan were discussing opportunities for socializing within the school community. A social held at Big Picture might be a nice idea with a potluck and parent attendance, after the holidays, to be discussed further.

5th and 6th Grade Performance

Kaiya and RuthAnn have reshaped what the performance will look like (not a musical). "Mystery on 13th Street" will be the title of the show. Practice will be held on Monday and Thursday afternoons with a March 16/17 performance.

PTA needs to approve a \$1500 director's fee and we need volunteers; the play is offered to the 5th and 6th grade classes in entirety. Parent volunteers are also need for set construction – please see Kaiya.

HW motioned to approve a stipend for a high school student (\$150-\$200) to help with the rehearsals (4 hrs/wk) for 8 wks and pay RuthAnn \$1400. JS seconded.

Other

Jeremy Hill put in a request for \$285 to have VSO visit in April. HW motion to approve; JS seconded.

Winter Ski Program

Katie will send out a message – for any parent who plans to help. Amanda is going to be there to help. Parent volunteers are nice but not necessary, according to Kaiya; we could use help for beginner groups, especially snowboarding.

Please join us for the next meeting on 1/12/2012 (7:40 am)