

# **Waitsfield Elementary School PTA Meeting**

**Minutes, 10-13-/2011**

*In Attendance: Helen Ward, (president), Beth Libby (vice president), Christine Sullivan (treasurer), Jennifer Stella (secretary), Buny Downing, Susan Hans, Michele Lepp, Brent Pearson, Rob Scharges, Sara Arman, Elizabeth Cadwell*

## **Directory**

PTA sponsors the directory every year and it is at the printer right now and will be available next week. Audrey Huffman designed it this year, and Sharon Dube did fundraising for us and Melissa Montero (not at school anymore) also helped with ads).

## **Teacher Stipends**

Went out to mailboxes this morning. Teachers are given \$\$ every year to support purchasing supplies for their classrooms.

## **Ski and Skate Sale**

Krissa will be running it again this year. Buny and Beth will be in charge of food. Buny has agreed to take over food in coming years. Ski and Skate sale is 95% of PTA budget and the major fundraiser of the year. Amy Jamieson coordinates volunteers and will need help as well as someone to take over in coming years. If you know of anybody who might be appropriate, please let Helen Ward know. This year Amy will do an electronic Google doc sign-up to make things easier for people. This will be included in today's newsletter. We really need the entire school community to be involved so please spread the word. There are also benefits to volunteering – which include an “early shop” opportunity on Saturday morning.

Childcare opportunities during ski and skate to help allow parent volunteers have been offered in the past. Shall we try to make this happen again this year? Friday evening might be the most important time to have childcare; Christine Sullivan will ask Kira Harris at Spring Hill School to see if they might participate/offer their space.

Electronic pre-registration efforts have not gone ahead at this time, a “POS” system is not something that will be available this year. Opportunities still exist to automate the pre-registration process. Perhaps Sue Hans can be involved in back office activities this year so that she may help improve the system next year (even without a POS)?

The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade trips occur each year and we are trying to encourage each class to support their class's own fundraising. One concept is for each class to begin fundraising as early as kindergarten and to have their own accounts set up so they have enough by the time these trips come up. These fundraisers may occur in tandem at the ski and skate sale and we will need to coordinate what each classroom is in charge of. Sandy Tarburton has offered to help manage the children involved.

**Minutes from 9/8 meeting:** HW motioned to approve; CS seconded. Passed.

Meeting was adjourned 8:20 am.

***Please join us for the next meeting on 11/10/2011 at 7:40 am!***