

Attending: Christine Sullivan, Connie Gaylord, Elizabeth Schwartz, Kaiya Korb, Sara Arman

W.E.S. PTA meeting minutes 12/12/13

New Officer Policies We clarified what the bylaws state as the policy. Elections need to be held by June; we suggested having them in May instead. We will promote, in April, that elections are happening and encourage people to get involved.

There is currently an opening for the secretary position as Jen Stella has resigned. We felt that it was not a great idea for someone who was running the ski and skate sale to also serve as the secretary. We discussed our bylaws, which would have people transition their positions after each 2 years (no more than 2 years unless a position is unchallenged). We agreed that we need to work on supporting a smooth transition/training people into the positions.

Put the PTA agenda in the newsletter and as a separate email; we all actively recruit families, particularly of younger students, to attend the meeting specifically by being clear about what is needed.

Willy Wonka recap - clarification that there isn't a video available due to regulations in our contract with the company.

PTA bulletin board discussed ideas for what to include: freshen it up with some of the new activities that we're doing (5th grade trip, ski & skate, winter program, play, etc.).

Lake Monsters Fundraiser/ Valley Night The presidents of all of the Valley PTAs got together last week; Elizabeth shared that we would be happy to participate in a Lake Monsters evening to support our community but that we didn't need to run this event to gain funds for us. The actual evening is likely to be in June.

Ski & Skate thank you notes Amanda Kalichstein is working on these.

School Shirts Other valley schools have done this as a fundraiser; we discussed doing this as community building. We will explore the possibility of engaging kids in coming up with a design/mascot. Kaiya to talk to Ryan Dreimmeler about the design work. Kaiya feels strongly that we should make sure that all kids are able to get a shirt; we would price it as such that we could give some shirts away. Theme of the river.