WES PTA Meeting : March 12, 2019

Attendance: Erin Koch, Kaiya Korb, Elizabeth Schwartz, Erika Weir, Breean Van Solkema, Allison Reilly, Sarah Pashby, Kasara Gage, Allison Werntgen, Elisa Kiviranna, Joe Robinson, Ryan Kraman, Kelly Shavone, Lisa Lacey

Treasurer's Report

Allison reviewed the budget. Erin shared the vision for putting aside a full budget into a reserve fund as back up; this vision was set by the officers last fall. Kaiya shared the idea for long term planning of our budget. April is when the PTA will review capital purchases based on the budget. The PTA would love to hear from more people regarding how to spend it and when it happens. There has been some money set aside for sidewalks and playground improvements in the past. Other ideas include new basket court, tile work for the new children's library. Allison will make an allocation line item for sidewalks to make sure this reserve remains clear until it is expended.

Town Meeting Review: Invites, Facebook, Babysitting

Few kids came to babysitting services but it was appreciated by members of the community. Looking for a Babysitting Coordinator for town meeting, conferences, and when speakers are available. There is a started list. Lisa Lacey will do it. Elizabeth will follow up.

Book Fair: Schedule and Volunteers Update

Audrey Huffman dropped off the posters. Bearpond Books loans the books. We sell them. Every child gets a book. All funds go into library fund. We also give money to buy the new DCF books each year. Elizabeth asking for a few volunteers. See her for sign up sheet.

Confirm SBAC snacks

Provides treats for students in May for testing.

Musical

The 5th/6th Musical, fully funded by the PTA, is March 29. It will be *James and the Giant Peach*.

Check in about PTA needs/ Open seat (treasurer) discussion

Elizabeth shared about the transition role going on with Ryan leaving her position as treasurer. Allison has stepped in to do the work, but through this process the officers decided to hire a bookkeeper for the day to day transactions, with a treasurer providing oversight. Allison has agreed to serve as the bookkeeper; this will be paid work (hiring a service). The level of knowledge and skill to do the books well is not something that we can count on a volunteer to do; there's too much training involved. We do still need a treasurer. Kaiya will fill the interim role for the remainder of the year.

Role of Class Parent

Elizabeth shared the vision of the role of fo class parents. They are asked to connect with teachers and the broader community to hear and share ideas for the capitals funding projects before the PTA.

Funding requests

Joe Robinson came into to ask for funding about the Mad Valley Runners grades 3-6. He shared the history of the group, the culminating activity and the vision for this coming year.

Proposal: 1) The PTA covers the cost of the t-shirts and all checks written from the PTA account.

2) A second request for PTA to cover the cost of all shirts.

3) A finally request for complete reimbursement monies for water, snacks and pizza (for end of year party).

The PTA will help with the order of the shirts. We ask that in the initial letter to families Joe and Clayton share the cost of the shirt and ask the families to also make a contribution towards the end of year party. PTA will cover any expenses up to 400\$ beyond the monies received from parents. Would love to see them look into reusable water bottles that go back and forth between school and trail for those students missing water bottles.

Kaiya requests funding for a washer and dryer for the school for \$1168. There is a space already set. The group voted to fund the purchase of the washer and dryer.