**Wallingford Elementary School**

**Parent-Teacher Organization**

**May 11, 2021**

Gabe Savage Kim Graham Candice Rogers Audra Bach

Mary Uhrig Tara Irey Elizabeth Schwartz Grace Loyd

Sue Gaur Patty Briganti Janine Berstein Fran Yan

Christine Greco

**AGENDA**

**Call to Order** 6:05pm

**Approval of minutes from 4/13/21 meeting**

**Committee Thank You’s**

* **Our Weekly/Monthly Working Committees: Treasurers, Secretary, WES Mail, Website, Car Line, Homeroom Parents and Coordinators**
* **Hospitality (Teacher Appreciation): Anamarie Jones, Christina Gaffney**
* **Sustainability for Earth Day: Erin Stancill, Katie Boland, Renee Joyner and Jess Trout**
* **Citizenship: Erin Thomson, Lisa Hill**
* **May Day: Elizabeth Schwartz, Mary Uhrig, Erin Mormile, Kristen Cullen-Elshami, Sarah Taub**
* **Nominating Committee: Patty Briganti, Lauren Shank, Erin Stancill, Michele Henriques, Sally Robbins, Gina Lazzari**
* **5th Grade Reps: Kim Graham, Kristine Magargee, Sarah Fritz, Katie Czaplicki, Melissa Carden and Chris Schmidt**

**Special Guest: Grace Lloyd from Strathaven Middle School Home and School**

The teachers expect that the students to advocate for themselves once they get to MS. The Home and School tries to bridge that gap. They do similar things that our PTO does. Their biggest source of income is spirit wear. They also do 6th grade school supply kits, which are on sale now. They cost $75.00. They have also been trying to host more teacher appreciation events this year.

**Treasurer’s Report: Submitted by Fran Yan**

**This report spans: 4/12/2021 - 5/11/2021**

* We started the period with a cash balance of **$45,088.78**
* We had deposits of **$5,093.19**
* And withdrawals of **($1,782.78)**
* Leaving us with a balance of **$48,399.19**

**Highlights**

* Deposits:
  + Spring Fundraiser - $3,097.61
  + Fundraising from Restaurant - $708.47
  + Spirit Sale - $307.00
  + Mayday Ticket Sale - $312.55
* Withdrawals
  + $491.95 – Staff Appreciation
  + $146.00 – Health -Nurse office supplies
  + $448.00 – PTO Surety Bond

**Reminders**

* Deposits have all been labeled, please continue to do so

**Total Expense vs. Deposits SYTD – 07/1/20-5/11/21**

* + Beginning Balance: $39,621.57
  + Expenses: (**$15,940.10)**
  + Deposits: **$24,717.72**
  + **Net YTD: $8,777.62**
  + Ending Balance: $48,399.19

**Committee Reports (Committees at work have the opportunity to report, share good news/feedback, ask for help/advice/input**

* **Mrs. Gaur Lemonade Stand -** *(Mrs. Gaur reported)* - This starts the week of May 24th (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday) during lunch and will benefit St. Jude’s. Wawa is donating over 1,000 cartons of lemonade (usually give 500). She is getting charged .30 cents a pretzel instead of the .25 cents a pretzel she used to get charged. She will need parents to help put the pretzels in individual bags. We will set up a table outside the cafeteria and have gloves available.
* **Citizenship - Shoe Drive -** *(Candice reported) -* We have 750+ pair, but we need 2,500. They are thinking about a drop off at the school on the weekend. Also, there will be a box at May Day. Just trying to get the word out and get more in.
* **Hospitality - Teacher Appreciation -** *(Candice reported) -* The teachers got DiFabio’s sandwiches that were individually wrapped. They also served donated waters and desserts from families. The teachers sat in the multi-purpose room - two to a table. It is the first time the staff was able to have time together. The raffle baskets were set up in the library as in the past, and they were able to view them throughout the morning before the lunch. 1st grade teacher, Tara Irey….”Thank You! The teachers really appreciated it.”
* **Nominating Committee - 2021-22 PTO Committees -** *(Patty Briganti reported) -* Patty read the list of names for the 2021-22 PTO Committee slate. We held a vote and it was approved.
* **May Day -** *Elizabeth Schwartz and Mary Uhrig reported)* - Elizabeth had us give around of applause to Candice for her hard work. They had to open another slot (12 noon) for May Day and that also filled up very quickly. They still need volunteers. The cost is $5.00 per student this year instead of the $12 in a normal year since we will not have the food…”if you play you pay". It is to cover the cost of games. If there is extra money it will go to the PTO, since it is usually a Fundraiser. You can pay online or on the day. Prizes are coming from the Sustainability Committee from the re-prize drive they held last spring. They will get a pre-packaged goodie bag on the way out. Lisa Hill and her husband will be doing the photo booth for the full 4 hours. The whole campus will be utilized, so everyone can be spaced out.
* **5th Grade Reps -** *(Kim Graham reported)* - They money for the 5th grade field trips will be spent on a pool party, since they didn’t get to take any of their trips. It will be at the Linvilla Knowlton Swim Club on Friday, June 18th (the last day of school) from 1pm to 4pm. It will be a Private Pool Party. It will cost $3,000 to rent the pool and they will also be getting a DJ and having a photo booth.
* **Rita’s WES Night - Tuesday, May 25th 4-8pm -** *(Candice reported) -* One change this year is we will not be providing the spinning wheel. The owners at Rita’s did extended the time.
* **SchoolKidz -** *(Candice reported) -* We will offer the school kits again this year. Usually this comes out in May, but there has been a delay on their end with some technical difficulties. Sarah Ponzio will send the information as soon as it is ready!
* **Spring Direct Appeal Update and Vote -** So, far we have raised $6,085. The campaign still has a couple more weeks, but we have received enough for the picnic tables and bench. Due to inflation the company said the materials cost more now. We would like to hold a vote tonight to go ahead and approve the funds so we can order this week before the materials increase more. Instead of a 30-day window, we only have 15 days before the quote can change. We hope more money will continue to roll in to replenish the staff appreciation budget where we have spent more.

**PROPOSAL from PlayWorld, Inc. -** *M/S/A*

1. 8’ Recycled Plastic Slat Picnic Table, ADA, portable - **$1,231.00**
2. 8’ Recycled Plastic Slat Picnic Table, portable $1,119.00 each - **$2,416.00**

3. 6’ Contemporary Bench w/back, Diamond, In-ground mount - **$863.00**

4. Estimated Freight, delivering to customer or installer  
-non-lift gate, customer responsible for off-loading if receiving - **$435.00**

5. Receive, Assemble 3 Tables, Install 1 Bench with 2 footing legs. Site must be  
accessible to the skid-loader for drilling footing holes & removal of spoils. - **$950.00**

**Total: $5,895**

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**Principal Report: Mr. Savage**

Thank you for Teacher Appreciation lunch. It was the first time he saw his teachers faces since March 2020. Also, thanked us for attempting May Day.

School Board approved that they will be back in school May 24th for 5 full days for the remainder of the year.

PSSA’s are happening. The kids are doing great!! They are really resilient.

They did a relaunch of the PBIS. They are doing the Golden Paws and Rusty Recognitions. They push a cart around with prizes on it at the end of the week for the raffles.

June 16th - 5th Grade Graduation - They are working with the other principals so the OA kids can be at their home schools. Also, so their OA teachers can be part of it. They will likely be in the morning, possibly one in the afternoon. They will do the clap out the last day of school right before dismissal. (Question: MaryDiSilva asked if we can have a clap out with parents outside. He will ask since all the schools will have to do it.)

Candice said the nurses are getting boxed lunches and flowers tomorrow.

**Open Floor (A time to share new ideas, ask questions, general discussion)**

* Candice said the nurses are getting boxed lunches and flowers tomorrow for Nurse Appreciation Day.

**Adjournment 6:50 pm**

**SLATED NAMES 2021/2022**

**Chair:** Janine Berstein

**Co-Chair:** Christine Greco

**Secretary:** Audra Bach

**Treasurer:** Allison Collings

**Receiving Treasurer:** Fran Yan

**Caring Committee:** Christina Dilorenzo

**Citizenship:** Erin Thomson (could use one more)

**Visiting Author:** Joni O'Connor

**Website:** Sharon Kaminski, Chris Kaminski

**Dimensions in Math and Science:** Beth Benzing, Christina Gaffney, Maria Gallagher

**Hour of Code:** Beth Benzing, Coco Kaminski, Bobby Griffin

**5th Grade Reps:** Lauren Shank, Sarah Rodowicz, Kerri Miglionico-Phipps, Angela Waltman, Christine Greco, Patty Briganti

**Foreign Language:** Amanda Weinberg (needs a co-chair)

**Gift of Giving:** Sara O’Reilly, Aimee Hodges

**Grounds and Greens:** Samantha Simonsen-Co-Chair, Colleen Thom - Co-Chair, Joni O’Connor, Kristin Miller, Sarah Taub

**Book Fair:** Colleen Glackin - Co Chair, Sarah Rodowicz - Co-Chair, Renee Joyner, Patty Briganti

**Health Committee:** Kate Fernandez, Emily Glowacki

**Publicity:** Coco Kaminski

**Homeroom Parent Coordinators:** Stephanie Cavanagh, Candice Rogers

**Hospitality:** Candice Rogers, Kristine Magargee

**Library:** Jana Jordan

**Cultural Arts Committee:** Mahnaz Maqbool, Shannon Holt

**Directory:** Paul Nuschke, Christine Greco, Jennifer Griffin, Meghan Koehler

**New Parent Reps:** Anne McFadden, Gina Lazzari

**Nominating Committee:** Patty Briganti, Lauren Shank, Erin Stancill, Michele Henriques, Sally Robbins, Gina Lazzari

**Sustainability Committee:** Erin Stancill - Co-Chair, Katie Boland - Co-Chair, Andrea Nuschke, Renee Joyner, Arianne Allan

**WES Mail:** Erin Mormile

**Chess Club:** Jon Vail, Molly Vail, Sara Fromal

**Pancake Breakfast:** Jenna Legette, Tricia Veloso

**Bingo Night:** Jessica Diamond, Susan Kenney, Christina Cleland

**Field Day:** Sarah Fromal, Erin Mormile

**May Day:** Kristen Cullen-Elshami, Lauren Shank, Erin Mormile, Sarah Taub, Mary Uhrig, Tara Salerno

**Spirit Wear:** Jency Weeks, Angela Waltman

**Box Tops/Amazon Smile:** Kristine Magargee

**Spring Fundraiser - Direct Appeal:** Janine Berstein, Christine Greco

**Fall Fundraiser/We Love WES:** Rachael Reach, Liz Oakes

**Lost and Found:** Sally Robbins

**SchoolKidz:** Sarah Ponzio, Suzanne Goodstein

**Restaurant Family Night:** Courtney Kelly (Swarthmore Pizza), Theresa Birardi (Iron Hill)

**Rita’s Family Night:** Tom and Kelliann Payne

**Movie Night:** Jen LaViola, Anne McFadden