

APPROVED MINUTES

Cider Mill PTA – General Membership Meeting November 10, 2015

Attendees: Yim Yan Lai, Lisa Finn, Jen Acerra-Markey, Ginna Yerrall, Kristin Baldwin, Annemarie Aronowitz, Carolyn Lyon, Hillary Morrissy, Salys Magnusson, Mary Jane Reis, Nicola Davies, Gretchen Jeanes, Janel Downs, Jen Mitchell, Lauren Catalano.

Meeting convened at 9:25am

1. President's Report by Nicola Davies

Thursday 12th -, Dr Kevin Smith will host a discussion called the State of Wilton Schools to be held at Canon Grange. Tomorrow night is the tech talk. Next week is the no idling campaign. Discussion of new Board of Directors meetings to take place on the Fridays before PTA meetings, in accordance with the new bylaws. A Holiday Pot Luck to thank volunteers at Miller Driscoll and Cider Mill will take place December 3 at the Old Town Hall.

Budget is on track and expenses are down from last year. Hospitality requests more money and they will request it formally at the next meeting for a vote.

Approval of the minutes from the October PTA meeting will be voted on at the next meeting.

2. PTA Techer Representative Report by Kristin Baldwin

Informed teachers of the new gifts & grants deadlines. Thank you for the election day bake sale, turkey trot donations, Veteran's Day (over 100 veterans to attend).

3. Principal's Report by Dr. Jennifer Mitchell

Over \$2400 was raised by the student group on election day to help fund new swings on the playground. The next step is to look at companies to provide the swings-- there is money in the school budget to help with the cost of two swing sets and possibly a climbing set on the south side.

The first round of MAP assessment results are coming in and the math scores have been analyzed already. Results should arrive to parents before conferences begin.

Another Chrome Book cart has arrived bringing the school total to 5. They are still working out the best method for securing them.

To follow up on an inquiry at the last PTA meeting regarding consistency between houses, there is no required reading on the weekends, and classrooms using the new spelling program Words Their Way must be up and running by November 30.

4. Dr Chuck Smith Future Protocol – Participants take part in a small group discussion on what we hope Wilton Schools will look like in 2022.

5. Officer's Reports - Fundraising Report by Gretchen Jeanes

The money raised by the bake sale for the swings will be donated to the PTA and the PTA will gift the money to the school

Membership by Lisa Finn

We have had a handful of new members join in the last month.

Treasurer's Report – By Nicola Davies

Financial report was distributed.

Secretary's Report – Quorum not met. October minutes will be voted on at next meeting.

6. Committee Reports.

1. Reflections Report

7. Bylaw Amendment

Nicola Davies presented a small amendment to the bylaws relating to the Board of Directors.

Amendment available to view on PTA website.

8. Pizza & Paint tabled until January PTA

Meeting adjourned at 11am.

Minutes Approved at January 12th 2016 Meeting