

## DRAFT MINUTES

Cider Mill PTA  
General Membership  
Meeting January 12, 2016

Members Present: Hillary Morrissy, Nicola Davies, Laura Schwemm, Yim Yan Lai, Meire Mouracade, Mary Jane Reis, Gretchen Jeanes, Jamie Lee, Carolyn Lyon, Jen Mitchell, Ginna Yerrall, Laura Rowley, Maria Koutsoukos, Kristin Baldwin, Jenn Felipe, Annemarie Aronowitz, Debbie Geller, Sharon Kress, Jacqueline Jackson, Michelle Tarantino, Lisa Finn.

Non-Members: Melinda Smith

Call to Order at 9:25am

### **1. Welcome and President's Report:**

Reflections- there have been 32 submissions; the exhibition will take place at the Wilton Library. \$200 is needed to mount the items for display. Motion to approve \$200 expense by Nicola Davies. Seconded by Laura Schwemm. All in favor. Motion approved.

Fun Night- Third grade 2/19, Fifth grade 2/27, Fourth grade 1/29.

Great Books- meets during lunch. Approximately 50-60 children participating across all grades. In the future we will discuss possibly moving this to an after school activity.

By Law Amendment- Proposed change will remove the Principal and Teacher Rep as voting members at Board of Director meetings. Motion by Hillary Morrissy to amend the by laws. Seconded by Nicola Davies. All in favor. Motion approved.

Pizza and Paint Night- date has not been selected, 40 people max, \$10 per person. \$400 requested to cover cost of pizza, canvasses and materials. Motion by Ginna Yerrall to approve \$400 expense. Seconded by Sharon Kress. All in Favor. Motion Approved.

Box Top competition to begin again. Teacher Rep will email a list of products that have box tops to the faculty so they can discuss it with their classes.

Turnover Shop will be presenting \$10,000 to each of the Wilton PTA's.

### **2. Secretary's Report:**

Need to approve the minutes from the October 2015 Meeting. Motion to approve made by Hillary Morrissy. Seconded by Gretchen Jeanes. All in favor. Motion approved.

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**3. Teacher Representative Report:**

Thank you for the holiday brunch. The Book Fair was great. Box Tops netted the school \$1200 from the last competition.

**4. Principal's Report:**

Implementation of the Handwriting Without Tears program will postponed until next academic year. The program includes instruction on cursive. The work books will be made available for parents to borrow from the office. An email will notify parents when this takes place.

Clarification that the flyer for the raffle for the homeless would be raising money for The Open Door Shelter in Norwalk and The Wilton Food Pantry. An email will go out to parents clarifying these points.

**5. Presentation by Lisa Reilly and Jen Felipe on the 'Words their Way'**

An overview of the presentation can be found on the school's home Edline page.

**6. Officer Reports:**

- a) Treasurer's Report-- we have received the proceeds from the Bake Sale and the Walkathon.
- b) Membership Report-- 476 members, compared to 371 last year (50 teachers, 426 parents, 389 families)
- c) Fundraising Report-- none

Meeting Adjourned at 10:30am