

# Virtual Meeting Minutes Thursday, March 3rd, 2022 | 7 p.m.

#### Attendance

Mary Ann T., Beth R., Dawn P., Stephenie W., Christina A., Josie B., Crystal S., Megan G., Emily A., Nate R., Rachael R.

# I. Call to Order: Welcome 7:02pm

• Approve February minutes Josie motioned. Mary Ann seconded. February Meeting Minutes approved.

# **II. Guest Speakers:**

Guest speakers will be given 10 minutes to speak followed by a 5-minute question and answer time. This is to allow the meeting to stay timely.

- None at this time.

#### III. Public Comment:

A moment to discuss anything pertaining to Grant Watts that is not on today's agenda. Each comment is limited in time, i.e. five minutes per subject.

-None at this time.

### IV. President's Report: Stephenie West

- Learning Sprouts Garden status
   GOOD NEWS! Status :Concrete is being set to be poured after school is out.
   This time frame works best, as students and staff are not on site.
- Calendar Events: Things have shifted a little due to the current times and year, but we look forward to the Spring Auction, and smaller events throughout the end of the school year.
  - Classified week is mid-March and there will be something scheduled to celebrate our classified staff at GWE.
- April's meeting: We need next year's budget item requests. Questions or curiosities please reach out. MaryAnn will be working to coordinate the new budget and discussing with staff.
- 2022-2023 Elections in May
  - Shadow Opportunities. If you are interested in shadowing or learning about any specific positions, please reach out! We are happy to talk and provide insight.
  - Need nominations by end of April . Please send nominations to the GWPO email.
  - If you are not entirely sure about running for a board position, please consider signing up for a committee and/or volunteering.
- Upcoming meeting items:
  - Create calendar to turn over to district office
  - \*Budget will be finalized in June.
- Auction discussion/ Update

- Dawn. Today we have sent 450 emails; 47 donations pledged. 30 in hand. We aren't getting much of a response from within Scappoose, but further out we are receiving some connections. The Auction Committee has heard from anyone for the big ask items.
- Marketing: Megan is creating a logo. In the future we are looking to have a
  more general branding, with less themes. This would help utilize the reuse of
  branding materials. Possible advertising on reader boards throughout the area:
  high school, business locations.
- Budgeted for the auction is currently sitting at \$405. If funds are needed to supplement any auction items, the budget should be used first for those things, before asking for more funds.
- Weekly Meetings: The Auction committee is looking to meet each Friday, after drop off in the morning. This Friday the meeting will be at the gazebo by the Public Library. We will be brainstorming.
- Emily asked about sharing the excel list. Yes, if you want to be on that list, please reach out to the auction committee.
   Meeting at the library gazebo after drop off on Friday: who is available to make additional requests. Brainstorming ideas we could do to make bigger asks. We aren't receiving big things, but we have a total value of \$5,000 in things.

# V. Vice President's Report: Megan Greisen \*\*skip during meeting will return

- Profile of a Graduate for March/April: Thinkers
  - Working on what book to focus on, narrowed down to five currently.
     This could be outside, as maybe the winter rain will subside and the signs will stay in good standing shape.
- Weekly Fridge Restock in Staff Room: Signup Genius
  - Thank you to all that have participated, and continue to sign up.
     Staff really appreciate the snacks and quick meals. The stock gets eaten often, and the weekly replenishment through donations is working smoothly.
- Staff Spotlight: Currently 3rd grade team, next Special Education team
  - Social media spotlight
  - Treats with recognition in the staff room
- Auction Update: Class Projects and Staff Experiences
   Went to a staff meeting, to talk about doing a class book: artwork, quote,
   photos, writing prompt. Teachers were interested. We would have a mock
   up on the auction page, and then the books can be purchased. This
   provides increased fundraising opportunities for multiple purchases versus
   the one class project to bid on. Books would be ordered after the auction.
   Staff experiences: While we want to be empathetic to staff time and
   commitments, as it is a tough year, staff rallied in offering to participate.
   Staff rallied to participate. A google form survey was sent out, and we will
   coordinate to get experiences available for spot purchases during the
   auction.

#### VI. Treasurer's Report: Mary Ann Triska

Account balances

• Checking: \$ 1,881.57 (\$492.47 when outstanding checks clear)

Boost Savings: \$ 36,281.24
 Savings: \$ 298.08
 Money Market: \$ 13,016.65
 Certificate: \$ 19,598.53

- FOSS Kits for 3rd Grade:
  - Total Cost: \$1635.30
  - Paid From Following Accounts
    - GWE Fun Run \$1500
    - Reallocation of Franz Bakery Field Trip \$135.30
- Topaz Farm Trip for 3rd Grade end of May / early June
  - Estimated Cost: \$855
    - Topaz Farm Fee: \$200 per class (typically \$250/class but got a discount)
    - Bussing (estimate): \$85 per class (classes go on different days, due to busing/school day length)
  - Paid From Following Accounts
    - Reallocation of OMSI Field Trip \$135.30
- One Book, One School Author Visit: \$ 950
  - Angela Dominguez Virtual Visited March 2nd.
  - Event was a success. Beth went to a few classrooms for pictures, and students were engaged in the virtual meeting.
- Valentine Candy Gram

Expenses: \$ 116.93Received: \$ 622.00Revenue: \$ 505.07

- A very successful event. We made more than expected, and received feedback about doing the event again in the future.
- Fun Run Allocation

Kinder - garden boxes for on the kinder side/bus side. Wanted Mystery boxes but supply issues that would have a delivery date at the end of the school year.

- Fiscal year closes June 30, 2022
  - Mary Ann will go to the staff meeting in a few weeks, to help develop creative ways to bring experiences to school and utilize funds.
  - 1st/2nd OMSI to come in for assemblies in house. Waiting to hear back from Mad Science.
  - Shared google doc for teachers to see and do for experiences.

#### VII. Secretary Report: Beth Rajski

- Volunteer Schedules
  - March workroom calendar is available. Thank you to all volunteers who have gone in and helped our teachers. They truly appreciate it!
    - Library. If you volunteer on Thursday or Friday, please consider going in to the library and doing book backs or organizing shelves.
  - Stock the Fridge: a great opportunity to volunteer if you are not able to go in the building! Add a few items to your grocery order, and supply the teachers and staff with snacks and quick meals!
- Yearbook- send in your photos.
- Earth Day Event: brainstorming ideas now, for finalization at April meeting. We are looking to have an at school event during the school day so that more kids can participate. This may have a variety of options: grounds clean up, gardening, nature art, etc. If you have ideas or want to help volunteer, please reach out.

#### VIII. 2021-2022 Budget

- Contingency \$4,812.98
- Contingency Spending Request:
   None at this time.

#### IX. Garden Discussion:

- Presentation & Discussion :Scappoose Sprouts Learning Garden and "Cultivation Corridor"
  - Two potential projects with the thought that onces the Sprouts Learning Garden is complete they will work cohesively together
  - Sprouts Learning Garden is an extensive project that will begin work after school
    is out this year. There are multiple areas within the Learning Garden that make it
    so much more than just a "garden" (i.e. music area, storytelling area, imagination
    play, etc.)
  - Staff and community members want to see a garden outdoor space as soon as possible. We have an opportunity to put garden beds in the area between kinder/first/library for students to get hands in the dirt this spring.
    - Donated items already: soil, bark chips, and volunteer helpers
    - Need to acquire: garden boxes or cedar boards to create boxes
      - Looking to potentially use GWE Fun Run funds to purchase garden boxes. We are discussing things with Principal Small to decide on options.
      - Funds from the Scappoose Sprouts Learning Garden cannot be put towards these boxes, as they were not a part of the public plan at the time the funds were raised.
  - Discussion: comments of agreement on the garden boxes with hopes of students seeing some sort of garden soon, and excitement that the Scappoose Sprouts Learning Garden is progressing.
  - The discussion and decision making process will continue with GWE and GWPO.

#### X. Other School Business:

Nothing at this time

#### **Upcoming District Meetings:**

• Scappoose School District Board Meeting: March 14th, 2022 6:30pm

### **Upcoming Grant Watts Events:**

•Spring Break - No School March 21 - 25

# **GWPO Next Meeting:**

• Thursday, April 7th, 2022

X. Adjournment: Stephenie West at 8:40pm