



**Virtual Meeting Minutes  
November 4th, 2021 | 7 p.m.**

**Meeting ID: 873 6964 4301**

**Passcode: 900202**

**Attendance: Mary Ann T. , Beth R., Stephenie W., Crystal S., Megan G., Emily A., Luminosa, Christina A. , Josie B., Principal Amanda Small, Blanca S., Rachael R., Dawn P.**

**I. Call to Order: Welcome 7:00pm by Stephenie**

- **Approve October minutes motion by Megan G. Seconded by Mary Ann T. Overall Approval**

*Please email [GWPOScappoose@gmail.com](mailto:GWPOScappoose@gmail.com) to reach all officers.*

**II. Guest Speakers:**

- Principal Small- PowerPoint Presentation:
  - Thank you to volunteers for Halloween; and staff photos.
  - Outdoor Spaces: would like to see enhancements to outdoor areas and use fun run funds for a physical enhancement
    - Gaga Ball. Very Popular, super cool, wooden/plastic, with level surface. Possibly out behind the exercise equipment set.
    - Music speakers for outside. \$150-\$200 a set. At least one set.
    - Big connect four; jenga. For outdoor activities.
    - Recently we purchased: jump ropes, chalk, and basketball
    - Climbing wall
    - DREAM BIG: Similar to Arbor Lodge natural playground
  - Into the school: STEAM: lending lab, projects put together, teachers grab a bin and do the project. Using ideas such as AIMS Center.  
Megan question: should we look at standards by grade and each time frame. Should they be labeled for different levels? Yes label;  
Megan asks Library, Emily A, if they can provide text references, funding might not be available immediately but it can be put on radar.
  - How do we set aside funds to celebrate/treat teachers and nurture morale? Staff room?
    - Blanca Salcedo comment: coffee
    - Josie J. Bailey comment: treat baskets
    - Time frame: February
      - always said Josie J. Bailey.
  - Woot-Woot Wagon? \$500 for random staff morale boosting
  - Partner around conferences, holidays?
  - Anything Principal can do to support GWPO?

Stephenie will connect and show budget line items (such as Woot Woot Wago, and teacher treat

options) and explain.

- Principal Small update: Kinder has several new teachers.
  - Mrs. Nudo, no longer a teacher, but with the district, has been coaching and assisting the teachers. New teachers are getting time to shadow their mentors. The school also purchased extra curriculum items for Kindergarten.
  - Substitute teachers NEEDED: If you are interested in substitute teaching, the requirements have eased up. Hours are flexible, and substitutes get to choose the jobs they take. If you have any interest, or know someone, please send their contacts to Principal Small.
  - Parking Lot: safety concerns. Slow down, be cautious. Safety first.
    - Megan G. is on the city safety committee, and they met today. The first hour was safety at Grant Watts, specifically the parking lot. City is aware and taking initiative; Vine St. is going to be no parking zone. This message needs to come from the district, with maps, directions, where to drop off, expectations. City is guiding, but is recommending the district doing a safety district assessment. Buses need to be safe, foot traffic needs to be safe. Maybe vests on volunteers to assist.
    - Dawn P has a slow down kids sign, she will bring it on Monday..

***At this time, all teachers and Grant Watts staff who are not members of GWPO will be asked to leave per the organization's bylaws.***

***Amanda left the meeting.***

### **III. Public Comment: (Comments were collected throughout the meeting, as chat was enabled in the Zoom meeting.)**

- Luminosa commented about the parking lot issues, and that maybe kids could be let in to their classrooms earlier to help with the flow.
  - Rachael R. replied that their aren't enough staff to supervise at that time inside.
- Dawn P. commented that it would be nice to volunteer as buyers for the teachers. It could help stretch budgets, and they might not have time to shop for deals.

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

- Harvest Photo Booths - huge hit, Thank you Dawn Piekut and Josie Bailey.  
Reusable displays, a great hit with all of the kids and staff!  
Reimbursements for anything that GWPO is going to keep and store for future events
- Fun Run
  - Prize: Water Bottle & Superhero Stress Toy
  - Working with Principal Small on bigger celebration
- Calendar Events
  - November- Caring Tree w: Students Leaves  
Display out front with little leaves that students fill out.
  - December - Candy Cane & Scavenger Hunt  
Similar to last year. Will go home in the take home folder.
  - Virtual "PAWS" Assessment- Resume or delay till January. Discussion

concluded that with limited schedules, the PAWS should be assessed in January.

- Garden - concrete  
Communicating with partnership with CalPortland, and the original contractor.  
Waiting on the weather.
  - Dawn P: What about excavation? Asking the current contractor if he will allow us to put things into pieces, and up to code and school legalities.  
Stephenie will communicate directly with Dawn as her husband's business does this style of work.
- Spring Auction: interest in committee roles, email us for interest/ share background experience if applicable but not required.
  - Procurement, pick up, and data input into Greater Giving system, main three point persons. Email us if you have interest.

#### **V. Vice President's Report: Megan Greisen**

- Storybook Walk: The Bad Seed (Principled focus for Profile of a Graduate)
  - Next book: Nov/Dec. Be Kind (Caring is the focus).
- Staff Spotlight: Social media spotlights in the New Year (possibly add to Howler), treats in the staff room to celebrate teams but shared by all  
With new photos from Megan, highlight groups at one time in the New Year.  
Use Grocery Outlet gift cards, and other funds to put treats and snacks in the staff room. Have a little sign with appreciation on each team so all staff can celebrate each other.
- Staff Holiday Treats : special table, with treats, not health focused.  
45-50 staff treats. We are looking into having a SignUp schedule so volunteers could assist with treats.
- Amazon wishlists on GWPO website. An email will go out, asking staff to send their wish lists to GWPO. We will post them on our website.
- November Caring Tree:  
1 tree for each grade.  
1 leaf for each student; they would color, write, or decorate
  - Volunteers needed: Emily can paint on butcher paper. Crystal and Chris can help hang paper. Blanca can volunteer after work, or weekend. Josie is an artist as well, and would love to assist.
- Creation of binder for staff to find resources for classroom enhancements

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

- Account balances
  - Checking: \$1,801.54 ( \$1,768.22 when outstanding checks clear)
  - Boost Savings: \$41,270.51
  - Savings: \$293.08
  - Money Market: \$13,015.02
  - Certificate: \$19,588.65
- Fiscal year closes June 30, 2022
- Fun Run
  - Proceeds: \$19,073.85
  - Expenses: \$681.59

- Kroger Quarterly: \$417.25

## **VII. Secretary Report: Beth Rajski**

- Apparel Sale
  - Proceeds: \$3371.00
  - Expenses: \$1627.08
  - Due to supply chain and shipping issues, we had to send out some partial orders. Slips of paper were attached to those orders, noting what was missing, and items will be sent as soon as they are finished.
- Yearbook- send in your photos. Reminder to send student photos, class photos, etc., to the GWPO email, so we can compile images throughout the year.

## **VIII. 2021-2022 Budget**

- Contingency \$5000.00
- Contingency Spending Request: Megan Moga Reading
  - Renew Reading A-Z School License \$118.00  
Beth R. made a motion, Rachael R. seconded. Passed with all approval  
\$4882.00 remaining in contingency

## **IX. Other school business:**

- None at this time

## **Upcoming District Meetings:**

- Scappoose School District Board Meeting: November 8th, 6:30p.m. via Zoom

## **Upcoming Grant Watts Events:**

- November 5th : Teacher Grading Day - NO SCHOOL
- November 11th: Veterans Day - NO SCHOOL
- November 22nd - 23rd : Fall Conferences
- November 24th -26th : Thanksgiving Holiday NO SCHOOL

## **GWPO Next Meeting:**

- December 2nd, 2021

## **X. Adjournment: Stephenie West adjourned at 8:46pm.**