

PTO Meeting Minutes

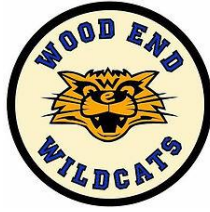
September 26, 2016

Board Members Present: Wendy Zapach, Lisa Labriola, Alexis O'Mara, Caitlin Koehler, Kelly Mahoney, Beth Fiore, Joanne King

Meeting started @ 7:35pm

- I. Introduction of the PTO
 - a. Alexis & Caitlin gave an overview of themselves and the board – each board member gave an overview of their role.
 - b. Wendy gave an overview of Halloween party (brief)
 - c. Abby King briefly mentioned the adult socials
 - d. Kelly Mahoney gave an update on the new room parent role & mentioned box tops
 - e. Beth Fiore explained an enrichment overview (fire truck safety) and gave some information about what's to come.
 - i. We are seeking feedback on School Kidz (school supply kits)
 - f. Lisa Labriola

- II. School Update with Joanne King, Principal
 - a. Explained the PARCC/MCAS data release and that Reading is a Level 3 system. Wood End is Level 2, but incredibly close to a Level 1. Grade 4 math scores were low so K-3 math instruction will be a focus for this school year.
 - b. Thanked the PTO for reimbursing new rugs for the remaining classrooms
 - c. Explained that the PTO will have a page on the new website
 - i. Kathy Santilli will be at the next PTO meeting to help explain the new system.
 - ii. Explain that much more will move to an on-line system (such as the directory)
 - d. Camp Bournedale – every student in 5th grade is going. Wood End, Killam & Birch Meadow go together with parent chaperones October 17-18.
 - i. Funds from Student Activities account can cover partial cost of the trip with parents paying \$150 per student and account covering \$35 per student (total cost is \$185)
 - e. Teacher Curriculum “Community” Night, November 30th PTO meeting – educating the parents about helping to connect with what we are doing in school. Giving parents a first hand experience.



- i. How to volunteer - explained we've distributed volunteer sheets and that our contact information is on the org charts.
- IV. Passive Income (On-going Fundraisers)
 - a. Box Tops – looking for volunteers to help clip & count box tops (1 per class)
 - b. Calareso's gift certificates
 - c. Raspberry Beret
 - d. Stop & Shop A+ Rewards
 - e. Amazon Smile – explained that you need to select Wood End
- V. Wild Monster Bash
 - a. October 28th – pizza & snack bags
 - b. DJ
 - c. Looking for a lot of participants
 - d. \$5 a head – cap at \$20 per family
- VI. Upcoming Events
 - a. Teacher Curriculum Night – November 30th in conjunction with PTO meeting
 - b. *Original Works of Art* - early November ordering for holiday delivery
- VII. Qian Hegarty extended her sign-up for photograph sessions – the PTO will make 10% on each family session.
 - a. Just need name and address
- VIII. Prop 2.5 Override Overview
 - a. Board of Selectman, Barry Berman and *Yes for Reading* Representative, Michele Sanphy
- IX. Open for Questions
 - Please join us for a social hour at Biltmore & Main 8:30-9:30pm*

Thanks for attending today!

Contact us with any questions or concerns: woodendpto@gmail.com .