## **Meeting minutes for October 2022**

Vote to approve 9/12/22 Minutes. Discussion: How would we like the minutes to get to members so that they can be voted on. **Motion** Lauren Barlow to send out meeting minutes a week ahead of time with the agenda so that minutes may be reviewed for upcoming meetings.. Seconded by Mary Degostin. Vote unanimous

**Attendance:** Principal McComb, Mary DeGostin, Aliesha lynch, Lauren Barlow, Liz Scranton. Brandy Montigny

**Principal Report:** Grade 7-8 to be going to DC together to offset cost of the trip for the clases. Hoping to hold the auction in November so that the event will be able to have a good outcome. There are fall field trips for the preschool and kindergarten to the Eastford Fire house and library. The 1st-2nd grade are going to the creamery in woodstock. The 5-6th graders will be going to the seaport for some class enrichment. There will be a fire drill on the 14th of october. Preschool- grade 3 will have a presentation and be able to view some of the trucks and equipment for fire prevention this month. Proofs for school pictures will be coming anytime this month. Kids will get an envelope with pictures and a code for parents to order packages of pictures. Parent teacher conferences will be held on Nov 22, 2022.

**Treasurer** Report: Balance \$8,811.71 few receipts to be sent in for the ice cream social. **Old Business** 

*Ice cream Social* Well attended we used 4-5 gallons of ice cream. Would like to streamline how much ice cream we use and where we get it from. Aldis and we got popsicles for those that are dairy free.

Social Media Presentation Not well attended discussed how we could get more attendance from people

Sign Contest- Move deadline to October 22 nd 2022 virtual vote have pictures taken of the posters to get the top three and then votes to go out for the winners.

The Fall Fundraiser: End date is this saturday. October 15th they will let you know who has the most orders in a few days. Discussed which place to get pizza from and decided on pizza 101 since they deliver.

Fall Garden cleanup: looks good. Mums look great outside!

Fall Scholastic Bookfair: Liz Attempted to get in contact with scholastic but the contact from previous years was not correct. Working on who the new representative is for the area.

Assembly Volunteers: Lauren and Carrie to be on a sub committee to look into which assemblies would work best for the children this year. They looked at birds of prey for an assembly. Possible dates include the week of Dec 12-16. Chris Poulos was suggested as a motivational speaker, character development etc. for students. The suggestion for him to have his assembly in the spring. Cost \$1500 for one assembly and \$2,000 for 2 assemblies. Birds of prey is \$375 for one hour. We try to budget \$2-\$3000 a year for assemblies. Lauren to talk to Chis about booking in may. Some possible dates are May 26th June2nd or 9th all Fridays. Looking into having authors come and speak to kids as well.

*Curriculum helpers* Email to be sent to Jen to see what other help she may need. Library might be able to help find some people to help with this.

## **New Business**

*Trunk or Treat-* Monday Oct 31 6:30-7:30. Register by Oct 28 if we can get the manpower to man 15 sessions. Item to be scrapped might be a conflict of interest.

Fundraiser surveys: Putting the fun back in fundraisers. Survey to go out to parents for input regarding fundraising and participation. Suggested food truck for events held by pto because parents or servers need to have a safe serve from NDDH. Brandy to make up the google survey then send it to the committee for approval. Once it is finalized, it is sent to parents at the school.

*Spirit wear fundraiser:* Do we have a specific place where we could do a bulk order for the school. Woodstock does theirs online. Mary to look into the company and report back.

Giving Tree tabled to next month

Wreath Sale- not to be done this year might interfere with the auction. Will revisit this item if the auction dates change.

Next Meeting November 8, 2022 Lauren motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:23pm Seconded by Aliesha Vote unanimous