



Malcolm White PTO

Minutes: 9/16/20 7pm
Zoom Meeting

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- 1) Call to Order & Meeting Protocol
 - a) Amy explained disclosure and that voting would be done through polling in Zoom
 - b) All asked to mute but invited to unmute as desired.
 - c) All asked to chat questions which would then be conveyed by the secretary
 - d) PTO Officers Amy Panichella, Areti Papadopoulos, Carla Boudoin, Ulli Airey and Kevin Kealing as well as Principal Rob Nickerson introduced themselves
- 2) Review of Minutes
 - a) **VOTE: Unanimous 20-0**
 - b) Amy asked if anyone was not voting yes, no one chatted or spoke
- 3) President's Report
 - a) All meetings will be Zoom
 - b) Meetings will change days of the week throughout the year to increase accessibility
 - c) Please see the website for information on dates and information
 - d) Amy asked for assistance with translation and outreach to non-English speaking families
- 4) Treasurer's Report
 - a) 2019 - 2020 Financial Report
 - i) Carla walked through the financial report noting that all items are reconciled and complete
 - ii) Difference between reconciliation in amy and now accounted for by expenses during that time.
 - iii) (questions regarding financial report can be seen in CHAT LOG below)
 - b) 2020 Budget
 - i) Extremely conservative to give general ideas about what we might want to accomplish and give flexibility
 - ii) Carla walked through the budget item lines and explained them
 - iii) Carla and Amy answered chat questions about 5th grade celebration, memorial fund and change is simple.

(1) Specifics about expenses will be made as we go knowing that changes will be made as we go and subcommittees on spending will form.

(2) Book fair (came in by chat later) -- was not on budget because there is no expense or income

iv) **Vote to accept budget passes 17 for 3 against.**

5) Vice-President's Report

a) Walk-a-thon

i) Hoping to do this fall

b) Trivia Night (virtual)

c) Please contact Areti with any ideas

6) Enrichment Coordinator's Report

a) Enrichment is for everyone! Ulli placed emphasis on the importance of reaching all families regardless of the modality of school they have chosen

b) Ulli explained the Change is Simple program for K-5, 8 online sessions per group including teacher sessions and support.

c) Ulli informed the PTO about a grant that was received for Top Secret Science or New England Science which may be used this year.

7) Principal's Report

a) Thank you to the former Board, incoming Board, staff and parents for flexibility and hard work

b) Mr. Nickerson answered some questions regarding technicalities about coming back to school.

OLD BUSINESS

1) Teacher Appreciation

a) Last year's teacher's appreciation budget was not able to be fully spent. We were able to spend it before the end of the budget year by purchasing masks and lunches for teachers when they returned this year in appreciation for all their hard work.

Next meeting is Wednesday, October 14, 2020

--CHAT LOG--

19:07:39 From Carla Beaudoin : <https://malcolmwhitepto.org>
19:08:23 From Carla Beaudoin : mw.tiger.pto@gmail.com is our email address
19:15:12 From LISA HENDRICKSON to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : what is change is simple?
19:15:22 From Paul Leonardo to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : is change is simple complete school
19:15:34 From Jennifer Jones to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : thanks for keeping Community Week/Day on there!!
19:15:40 From Paul Leonardo to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : and the \$5200 increase
19:16:21 From Jacob to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : Is the Memorial gift now the scholarship for a highschool senior?
19:16:26 From Jennifer Jones to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : and Change is Simple offered tips for getting a plastic bag ban passed in Woburn!
19:16:55 From Jacob to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : Where is the Financial Report I gave you for 2019-2020 year. Yours is wrong
19:17:03 From Mary Bonsignore to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : Just wondering what the 3,000 will cover for the fifth grade? Yearbook, t-shirts, luncheon, end-of-the year celebration.
19:18:25 From Jacob to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : What is the memorial gift then. Where does the money go
19:19:01 From Paul Leonardo to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : 6 grades at 600 is 3600. where is the extra 2400 going??
19:19:15 From Christina Makinen to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : yearbook
19:19:52 From Carla Beaudoin to Christina Makinen(Privately) : Yes that will be included but we are want to get buy-in from a committee to determine what is to be done.
19:25:19 From Amy Panichella to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : Yes, it showed up
19:25:50 From Carla Beaudoin to Jacob(Privately) : Hi Louise, if you have time tomorrow we can review to see what errors you saw and I can adjust.
19:25:57 From Jennifer Jones to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : virtual paint night
19:26:11 From Paul Leonardo to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : the book fair can be done virtually it wasn't on the budget
19:26:53 From Jacob to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : the entire report is wrong. Where is the moneyminder report. You guys wanted us to use that and where is yours
19:27:29 From Carla Beaudoin to Jacob(Privately) : This is the money minder report. I pulled it directly from the system

19:29:48 From Carla Beaudoin to Jennifer Jones(Privately) : Great idea! I will make sure that I let Areti know :)

19:30:03 From Christina Makinen to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : I have to go, I will try to log back on once I get home! Great job PTO!

19:30:12 From Kevin Kealing : Hi everyone, please feel free to chat questions directly to me and I'll help coordinate them.

19:31:01 From Carla Beaudoin to Areti Papadopoulos(Privately) : Jennifer Jones suggested a Virtual Paint Night. I have heard about these working out well!

19:32:58 From Areti Papadopoulos to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : that is a great idea i will look into it

19:36:14 From Prestia's to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : if we don't remember if we asked to get a device immediately or wait, who should we contact to confirm...sorry so many surveys

19:37:35 From Carla Beaudoin : rnickerson@woburnps.com

19:37:41 From Jessica Ochs to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : Can you clarify what time the school day is?

19:37:44 From Paul Leonardo to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : if its still done thru scholastic and Kellie can still do it where she is still the connect we can earn scholastic dollars for the teachers

19:39:34 From Jessica Ochs to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : Thank you so much!

19:40:04 From Carla Beaudoin to Paul Leonardo(Privately) : Thanks Paul! That is good to know! When PTO starts look for people to be on committees, definitely have Kellie join that committee.

19:40:31 From Petey O'Fann to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : we getting homework too?

19:40:59 From Carla Beaudoin to Petey O'Fann(Privately) : Great question Petey!

19:41:06 From Jennifer Jones to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : Thank you - great meeting - good to start a new year with a new board! And Carla, Amy said you did the website - looks AMAZING, thank you!!

19:41:34 From Jackie Buttaro to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : what about for virtual academy!

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19:41:42 From Jackie Buttaro to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : what are the times for that**?

19:41:51 From LISA HENDRICKSON to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : who is teaching the kids during hybrid when they are remote?

19:41:57 From Carla Beaudoin to Jackie Buttaro(Privately) : I will ask - please hold

19:42:09 From Jackie Buttaro to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : thank you lol you're the best!

19:42:11 From Rama to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : is there five days virtual school

19:42:56 From Paul Leonardo to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : understood

19:44:11 From Carla Beaudoin to Rama(Privately) : Hi Rama -
Virtual Academy is the five day virtual school

19:44:23 From Rama to Carla Beaudoin(Privately) : thank you