

WEF Meeting Minutes
May 19, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:00. Co-Presidents, Jen Theriault and Colleen Guida welcomed members and special guest, Asst. Superintendent, Dr. Smith.

Greenwood Gator coordinators came to the beginning of our meeting to take a “big Check” photo. Thanks to Greenwood school for contributing 10% of their proceeds to WEF- \$1,300!!

Secretary’s Report: (ER) minutes from March, 2015 meeting were unanimously approved.

Treasurer’s Report: (ML) March Treasurer’s report unanimously approved.

Announcement of the 2015-16 Director’s Slate: (CG, JT) We will vote at June Dinner meeting... new Exec. Board position proposals, Elizabeth Russell, co-president with Jen and Violeta Yu to take Clerk/ Secretary position. Nominations accepted until June 5th.

PR: (CB) COL photos and STARS article recently published in Item
Website: (JH, FH) Jean has updated with STARS info, needs paypal info, forms on website to be updated with new logo. Fran Harrington is shadowing Jean to learn how to update the website.

Facebook and Twitter: Looking for someone to take over FB updates. Colleen is updating Twitter!

Grant Review Process: (CG, JT) Jen and Colleen attending principals’ meeting on Thursday to announce Grant process. Will have grant info available this Spring so that faculty can be thinking of grant ideas and begin application process over the Summer. Dr. Smith will relay to staff that we are seeking more environmental grants. Dr. Smith will follow up to make sure that appropriate staff know what grants we are not repeatedly funding.

Run for All Ages: (MJ/ VY) Mary and Violeta will be meeting with RFAA group on June 6th. At this time they will take the “big check” photo... RFAA donated \$2000 of the proceeds from the race to WEF. RFAA seeking a bigger corporate partner to support the event.

Somerville Road Runners: JE/MJ scheduled for July 25th... looking for volunteers at water stations. A sign up was circulated amongst our members.

TriCity Race Series: (MJ) Race was canceled in Wakefield, Dave Poland reported to us that the Town didn’t approve it. He will let us know if they plan a race in the fall that is more likely to take place in Breakheart.

Calendar: (JT) Art was selected at student art show in April... this ran very smoothly. Still working with designer on the calendar theme. Jen is looking into selling calendars at Honeydew donuts in addition to Harts Hardware and Savings Bank.

STARS: (BT) 91 STARS were ordered. Names of recipients to be put on website and submitted to Item.

Celebration of Learning: (SW) Overall positive feedback, everyone was pleased with the event at the new venue at Galvin. This is a break even event, but we ended up with a profit of \$211.00 thanks to our generous sponsors and \$300 in donations that evening. Expenses:\$1,500, Took in: \$1,700

We had some discussion about principal presentations and needing to make sure these are more consistent next year so that students in different schools are recognized in a similar manner.

We collected Food Pantry items at the COL, but the numbers were down from last year... this may be because tickets were not needed this year and the food pantry donation reminder was on their ticket in the past.

Camp Nihan: Saugus River Watershed Program, all 5th grade classes to participate in next two weeks, looking for volunteers. A sign up was circulated.

End of Year Dinner: June 25, 2015, we hope many members can attend!

New Member Drive: Creating a new member packet with more info about what WEF is about and the many different events we do and where we need volunteers.

Adjourned at 8:15

Attendance:

Elizabeth Russell

Sue Worden

Violeta Yu

Chris Boulter

Courtney Gosselin

Kim Smith

Erin Colliton

Linda McManama

Gayle Wettach

Jean Hamilton

Mary Jennings

Colleen Guida

Jen Theriault