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Willard PTG Meeting

December 13, 2021

Attendance

Liz Colgan, Jamie Ring, Robin Baughman, Colleen Currier, Susannah Benner, Janet King, Yumi Suarez, Tracy DeTora, Amy Casher, Matt Taylor, Kristen Lester, Darcy Heintz-Perkins, Samantha Jaddou, Kieran Nicholson, Lee Hadlow

Presidents' Welcome and Recap - Liz Colgan / Robin Baughman

Meeting called to order at 7:03pm. Still awaiting guidance on having events in school facilities and larger events in general. Big thanks to the auction team for setting up the virtual auction. PTG meeting schedule for the first 6 months of 2022 now available (see end of minutes).

Principal and Teacher Update- Mr. Lucey

Budget process is going well. COVID relief funds are now available to schools, Middle School project moving ahead to town meeting and a vote for \$100 million dollar budget. School is designed for students and teachers and has many green features.

In follow up to the terrible Michigan school shooting tragedy, a reminder that plans are in place with Concord police and fire departments and schools will return to assessing the protocols annually.

RE: COVID, tonight is final round of vaccination clinic (second doses)- encouraging that the overwhelming majority of students have been vaccinated. Pool testing is working and is part of a very regimented program. Mr. Lucey gave an explanation of what happens when there is a positive pool (Thanks to Mr. Lucey who stays very involved with the students during the process). Protocol is working well and while it can be alarming for families the process is working and no cases of in classroom spread. Indoor dining is going well. Mask wearing likely to be here for some time.

Ms. Schofield will be going on maternity leave at end of December- congratulations to Ms. Schofield.

Willard will have a school adjustment counselor intern joining in January. She is a former Sudbury teacher who is transitioning to be an adjustment counselor and will be assisting Tracy Breen and Michael Abouafia as an added resource.



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Teacher coffee was a huge hit- much appreciated by teachers and staff.

Doing a lot of work on identifying student needs and additional services that can be of value and provided on an individual basis.

Will fully vaccinated students still need to be in test and stay? No, they will not have to participate unless symptomatic.

Will pool testing occur during shortened holiday week? Pool testing will occur week of holiday break, just earlier than normal (Mon/Tue).

PTG Committee Updates

Willard Weekly/Communications- Samantha Jaddou

Not much to report- reminder to let the Willard Weekly know of events for awareness/promotion.

Staff Appreciation - Lee Hadlow

Coffee Barista event held- very successful. Staff holiday gift bags are coming to teachers at the end of this week (12/17). Teacher potluck lunch being considered for a future event.

Treasurer's Report -Colleen Currier

Thank you notes have been received from different members of the Willard community which Colleen read to the group. Annual appeal funding has been coming in. Book fair proceeds check has come in. Some expenses (fliers, etc.). Tax returns were filed for the year. Check request form has been updated and is available on the PTG webstie.

Annual Appeal - Yumi Suarez

Have raised \$25,000 (75% to goal which is more than last year from individuals but we are down in year-to-date matching gifts. Fliers are coming home with students as a reminder and an email will be sent as a year end giving reminder. Will see where we are in January and any additional strategies to increase annual appeal funding.



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Virtual Auction and Fundraising - Susannah Benner

Auction has raised over \$6000 – many participants for the items which shows great enthusiasm. Awaiting totals from holiday card ordering through Minted/Shutterfly.

Charity and Service - Janet King

Please share any ideas with charity@willardptg.org

5th grade food drive huge success. 200 gift bags were provided for Open Table.

Thanks to Dr. Price, Ms. Crowley and all 5th grade teachers.

Concord Council on Aging event taking place with 3rd grade Willard Brownie troop.

Coats are due for coat drive by January 8th. All coats are welcome (all sizes/ages).

Upcoming events:

Halfway day

Souperbowl soup collection

Valentines for seniors

General Membership Questions/Comments

None- meeting adjourned at 7:39pm

PTG meeting schedule for 2022

January 10th at 9:30am

February 7th at 7pm

March 7th at 9:30am

April 11th at 7pm

May 9th at 9:30am

June 6th at 7pm