Wynn PAC Meeting Minutes January 15, 2015 Prepared by Christine White

Attendees

Mr. Weir, Principal
Mr. Morrill, Wynn PE Teacher
Laurie MacNeil
Christine White
Lisa Driscoll
Sharon Pierce
Arthy Bennett
Amy Michaud
Karla Branchaud
Paige Impink

Meeting Notes

Laurie MacNeil opened meeting with introductions at 7:04pm

Review of Minutes

Minutes from the November 20, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Lisa Driscoll made a **motion** to approve. Sharon Pierce **seconded**. September Minutes **approved**.

Principal's Report - Mr. Weir

Box tops check was received for \$1,130.17

National Geography Bee is underway. One student and one alternate for each team are chosen. The overall winning student takes a test and potentially goes to the state finals and then on to the national finals.

Project 351 has chosen Rosalyn Impink as the Ambassador for the Wynn school. Rosalyn will attend a community service based weekend of activities/programs supporting community service, leadership development and enrichment. Congratulations Rosalyn! ©

The Wynn now has a Debate Team and a Programming Club. These new clubs have been added to the long list of other clubs the Wynn offers students.

Food Services is working on providing healthy smoothies for students for sale in the lobby in the mornings.

The Food Drive for the Tewksbury Food Pantry is in full swing. Homerooms have a contest going to see who can collect the most food. The winning homeroom will receive free admission to the Wynn Movie Night next week.

Treasurer's Report -

Balance Forward of \$15,061.38 Income of \$8,837.52 Disbursements of \$13,917.23

Checkbook balance of \$9,981.67

Treasurer's Report and Income and Expense Report were distributed and reviewed by all present. Laura Hulme was not present at the meeting due to a family commitment.

Spirit Wear- Laurie MacNeil

Will offer the Spirit Wear again so it will be delivered before the Washington DC trip in April. There was some feedback that the clothing ran a bit small. Laurie is going to take the Youth sizes off the order forms for the upcoming sale.

Town-wide PAC- Laurie MacNeil

There was a meeting on Monday. The Emergency Backpacks were discussed. It was decided that the Wynn Emergency Backpacks would not need survival materials. Something simple – a drawstring bag (perhaps leftovers from the summer program) with an attendance sheet, any medical necessities – i.e. EPI pens. The bag would be clearly labeled and substitute teachers would be made aware of its whereabouts.

Library – Paige Impink and Karla Brandchaud

The Wynn Library is going to be revitalized! Age appropriate books will be purchased and the current books will be sorted through and outdated books will be taken out of circulation. Karla and Paige work with a library consultant to accomplish this. Both parent and senior volunteers will be utilized.

Teachers will get to take any books that they would like from the books that are being discarded. Teachers should begin to think about what kinds of books they would like to see added to the library.

The Destiny software that will be employed is web based. Teachers/students/parents will be able to view what books are in the Wynn library.

Mr. Weir gave the approval for volunteers to come help in the library either during the day or in the evenings. A Sign Up Genius will be set up and sent out when appropriate.

Sub-Committee Reports

Enrichment – Karla Brandchaud

Seventh graders will be having a program called Earth View come to the Wynn. It is a giant, inflatable globe. Students get to go into the globe in groups for a presentation. It is scheduled for March 9th and 11th. Karla will contact the Town Crier to get newspaper coverage.

Karla is looking at various programs to compliment the STEM focus for next year. She is also looking at having iRobot come in for a presentation, although that program seems to work best for small groups.

Book Fair – Sharon Pierce

Book Fair is scheduled for March 5-13, 2015.

Sharon will get a list of books that people can donate to help re-stock the library from Paige Impink.

Landscaping -

There is \$200 in the budget for landscaping. Using those funds to put flowers in the 3 planters in the front of the building was discussed. Sharon Pierce and Christine White agreed to coordinate with Mrs. Rogers regarding the planters and having them watered/maintained.

Hospitality - Laurie MacNeil

Teachers and staff all received treats for both Thanksgiving (popcorn) and Christmas (candy).

School Council – Laurie MacNeil

PARCC testing in March and May was discussed. 8th Graders will be taking the MCAS in Science. PARCC does not offer a test in Science.

Discipline was discussed. A minimal number of suspensions have been given this year in comparison to years past. The majority of detentions are given for being late. Mr. Weir is very proud and encouraged by the student body. He credits the teachers for having engaging lessons – students who are engaged are less likely to misbehave!

Teacher Request – Mr. Morrill

The ropes courses are due for inspection. Harnesses and helmets will need to be replaced. 10 harnesses = \$621.50

3 helmets = <u>244.08</u> **Total = \$865.58**

Arthy Bennett made a **motion** to approve giving \$865.58 to Mr. Morrill for new harnesses and helmets. Lisa Driscoll **seconded**. Motion **approved**.

Questions/Concerns/Announcements

Mr. Morrill is looking into Project Adventure for grants. Paige Impink will look at local grants that might be doable.

Motion made to adjourn by Arthy Bennett. **Seconded** by Paige Impink. **Meeting Adjourned** at 8:01pm

Next meeting is on March 19, 2015

Upcoming PAC Meetings: March 19, 2015 May 22, 2015