

Whittell Boosters Minutes

August 20, 2014

Meeting Called to Order 6:00pm

Present: Bronwyn Leeper, Raquel Norton, Lauren DeSota, Kim Aynedter, Dana Buchholz, Kristy Kjer, Kevin Kjer, Kim Felton, Kelly Krolicki, Shea Cibusky, Patrick Kelly, Crespin Esquivel, and Romero.

Minutes: Kim Felton moved approval of Minutes for May 15, 2014. Dana seconded. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Kate wasn't in attendance so Kim Felton reviewed 2014-15 budget, line by line; made reference to numbers reflect budget brainstorming session held in June, with Ed Johns, Kim Felton, Bronwyn Leeper and Kate Warner attending. Most notable were capital improvements, Safeway escrip, and teacher vouchers.

Last year \$15,000 was itemized for the sound panels for the gym. The project was never completed and so the \$15,000 will again be budgeted for sound panels to make the new gym usable, as Rotary may donate money so it should now go forward.

Last year, teachers received vouchers valued at \$250 each to cover classroom expenses. We budgeted \$7,500 but teachers spent only \$3,999, as many teachers didn't use their full vouchers. This year, \$7,500 has been budgeted again (up to \$250 per teacher) with the requirement that teachers turn in receipts for reimbursement to guarantee funds are being used for school necessities.

Safeway Escrip brought in \$12,441.23 for the 2013-2014 school year and with Albertson's purchasing Safeway stores, Escrip is projected for 2014-15 school year at \$2,100 for purchases made at Safeway from October 1. Escrip averages \$700/month for 3 months = \$2,100. However, there is talk that the two grocers will merge and there's a possibility of no changes being made. Albertsons does have a similar program to Escrip called Community Partnership Program.

Total budget equals \$40,714.00. Kelly Krolicki motioned to approve the 2014-15 budget with the exception of the parking lot fundraiser which would be tabled for discussion at a later date. Kim Felton seconded. Approved.

New Business:

Faculty Report:

Patrick Kelly expressed that faculty members were asking if the teacher vouchers were again \$250 this school year. We confirmed they were, but that they had to produce receipts showing the funds were being spent for classroom related materials. Patrick also said new faculty were eager to get to work and everyone was doing well.

Funding Requests:

1) Patrick Kelly (History teacher) requested \$450 to purchase books to be used as a resource in his AP History class. AP History curriculum has changed and the District will not purchase texts until next school year so these resource books are to fill in the gap. The book is called United States History, \$18.95 each and Mr. Kelly would like to purchase 20 books and a teacher's edition. Kim made a motion to approve the requested \$450. Kelly K. seconded. Approved.

2) Romero (Head Custodian) requested \$232.72 for a larger computer monitor for watching security surveillance of WHS campus. Kelly K. made a motion to pay the \$232.72. Dana seconded. Approved.

3) Romero (Head Custodian) had a second request of \$799 for a set of tools, including drills, that would be used for projects and attaching promethean boards. He reaches his budget every year and his current drills are over 11 years old. Kelly moved to approve the \$799 as requested. Kim F. stated she is concerned that Boosters is buying tools and equipment that the school district should in fact, be supplying it's staff with. 10 in favor. 1 opposed. Approved.

3) Marci Stetler (Kitchen) requested \$500 as surplus money to buy extra food not covered by the school lunch program. After students buy meals, any unused, leftover food is required to be thrown away, unless purchased. Kim F. motioned to approve the \$500 with the stipulation that Marci produces an accounting of the food to Principal Esquivel. Kelly K. seconded. Approved.

4) Kristi Moore (volleyball coach) requested \$70 for sports fees for two student athletes (\$35 each) who cannot afford it. Kim F. motioned to approve up to \$90 (includes \$10 ASB card fee) provided that each student work the snack shack or volunteer at WHS events. Kelly K. seconded. Approved.

7th Grade Orientation:

Crespin reported approximately 33 were in attendance. Lindsay Wines and Kathy Bluethman assigned a group of students from the 10th grade to lead the new incoming 7th graders in team building activities and to familiarize them to their new school (known as Web). The activities were concluded with a BBQ hosted by Boosters.

Committee Chair Requests:

Bronwyn announced that most committees have a leader except for 8th grade promotion event, and sound system. Kim A. suggested that she would reach out to Mt. Bleu staff to add a cord attached microphone so there will no longer be interference with the cordless Wi-Fi.

Back to School Nite:

Bronwyn announced that back to school nite is next week and are in need of a volunteer to help with food. Both Kelly K. and Shea volunteered Ed Johns.

Labor Day Parking:

ZCES parents club was inquiring about working a parking lot fundraiser. It was decided that WHS will NOT be organizing a Labor Day parking fundraiser. Prior year's attempts did not raise very much money

on this weekend. Much depends on the weather. However, Shea was instructed to meet with Kelly K. on the subject as two teachers from ZCES are interested in doing it this year.

Whittell Strategy Committee:

Crespin stated that the District is looking for a facilitator with a 7 member board made up of 3 parents, 3 teachers and himself. In addition, there will be two school board members and a district representative. Kelly stated that when the applications come into the school, Crespin look over them to ensure that we have qualified candidates representing the lake school interests. Crespin will bring applications to Boosters for review.

Stanford Camp:

Kim F. stated the 7th grade still needs a chair for this activity. Kelly K. volunteered. Kelly will meet with the Bunnett's and work with Ron on the bus.

Committee Reports:

Student Leadership- Sean Noyes and Michael Gardner were not in attendance. No report given.

Student Report-Max Primo was not in attendance. No report was given.

Rewards Programs-Kim A. reported Safeway Escrip contributions totaling \$909.50 for April, \$949.48 for May, and \$907.64 for June.

Homecoming-Kelly Higgins was not in attendance. No report given. Still need a date. Crespin would finalize but Oct. 24 was likely. Kim F. suggested Kelly Higgins look into using the fire pits and picnic tables at the neighboring stable so as to alleviate some of the workload.

School Board/Grants- Kelly K. had nothing to report but that the next school board meeting at the lake would be October 14. We also missed the Echo Grant deadline.

Public Relations- Kate Warner was not in attendance. Kate submitted report via email. the US NEWS banner was posted on the fence at the bottom of Kingsbury from July 3-August 3 during the peak summer months. Attached is our first ad (shown at the meeting), which will run in the Back to School insert of the Tahoe Tribune. It was noted that an ad in the Tribune ran in today's paper on WHS being ranked 2nd in Nevada.

Snack Shack-Dana reported that the snack shack will be ready for the first home football game, but that she will not be able to attend and needs a backup to run the shack that night, Friday August 29th. Kjer's will be bbqing but has no one signed up to work the snack shack. Kim A volunteered to help for first home fb game.

Banners- Kevin stated he will be meeting with Pam Jimenez next week. The banners were delayed being hung as we are awaiting the sound proofing of the gym. Once the panels go up, then the banners can.

Golf Tournament-Kevin stated this year's event sold out both days and will be getting the new date for the event sometime in January.

Logo Wear- Lauren will meet with Steve Maltase and Principal Esquivel to design to logo wear.

Next scheduled meeting will be held September 10th.

Meeting adjourned 7:00pm