

WATERBURY ARTS MAGNET SCHOOL PTO MEETING MINUTES October 2015

Date, Time, and Location: Thursday, October 8, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the school Library

Meeting called to order by Tricia Weaver at 6:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: In attendance: Tricia Weaver, Ronald Weaver, Jacqueline McGrath-Curtis, Annie Kabeya, Brenda Romaniello, Glorie Romaniello, Nicola Hutchinson, Elaine Ngheim, Jayde Blanchette and Harison Herdzik

OPEN HOUSE for Students interested in attending WAMS was also scheduled for this evening and several of the PTO Board members were involved in this activity

STUDENT COUNCIL REPORT presented by Harrison Herdzik

- Harrison Herdzik, advised that Student Council will be collecting food for the needy during this upcoming holiday season. A box or bag will be placed inside of each classroom for the collection

TREASURER'S REPORT: presented by Tricia Weaver

- Treasurer was not in attendance to provide official report.
- It was reported that Dippy's bill for the Ice Cream Social held 9/10/15 was paid in full.

FUNDRAISING REPORT: presented by Nicola Hutchinson

- Fundraiser Update: Only sold approximately \$7000.00 worth of product (goal was \$8,000.00 in order to make a 50% profit. School will receive 40% of the final tally.
- The Book Fair was held in the Library on the ground floor of WAMS the week of September 28, 2015 and during Open House on September 30, 2015 from 6:00-8:00.
 - \$2,300 was raised. WAMS can either take 50% of the amount in Scholastic Dollars or 25% as cash.
 - WAMS has Scholastic Dollars from previous sales that have not been used. Teachers will be asked again what they would like purchased on their behalf. Otherwise, school Librarian has advised that she has items that she would like purchased.
- Vendor Fair to be held on Saturday, November 14, 2015 from 9:00-2:00 p.m.

- New Fundraising idea discussed. An Auction and Dinner Gala Event to be held off school campus for Adults only. Date in early spring to be determined. Preliminary Auction Committee formed.
 - Harrison will take charge of obtaining Student art pieces for the Auction
 - More information to follow.

GENERAL MATTERS

- PSAT's and SAT's will be held throughout the District on October 14, 2015 at no cost to students.
- Halloween Dance for Middle School Students only to be held October 27, 2015, from 6:00-8:00 pm. Tickets are \$10.00 per person.
 - Money and signed permission slips must be returned to school by RSVP.
 - Masks will not be allowed.
 - Mr. Arroyo was asked to have a few Middle School staff chaperone
 - Volunteers requested to chaperone
 - Donations for food and drinks is required
 - Students will be asked to list their favorite songs to be submitted to the DJ prior to the dance.
- Starlight Ceremony, an Art Showcase for Dancers, Musicians and Soloists, to be held December 3, 2015.
 - \$2.00 Stars will be sold at the door as fee for entrance
 - Stars will be self adhesive and will be attached to designated walls by purchasers
- Mr. WAMS to be held October 23, 2015

Meeting Adjourned at 7:15 p.m.