**Cider Mill PTA Meeting Minutes - DRAFT**

**April 18, 2017**

Attendees:

Carolyn Lyon, Mary Jones, Kim Hall, Lisa Finn, Jen Acerra-Markey, Annemarie Aronowitz, Nicola Davies, Cheryll Ryder, Jennifer Mitchell, Erica Rome, Jen Felipe, Diane Strickrodt, Margo Silvian, Jill Wilkinson, Jennifer Ringelheim, Joanne Daversa

1. Meeting convened at 9:20am
2. Welcome by Nicola Davies
3. Officer Reports:

President’s Report by Nicola Davies

* Open positions for next year’s PTA coming out
* Helping Hands coordinate theme for Walk-a-Thon
* Flyer for school supplies for next year coming out soon

Treasure’s Report by Lisa Finn

* Income from Wilton PTA Council account was divided among 4 schools
* Pizza and Paint was a success – income = expenses
* Paid Yearbook deposit
* 3 Fun Night expenses are paid

Membership Report by Lisa Finn

* 3 new members - 470 total (366 families)

Secretary’s Report by Carolyn Lyon

* Presented the minutes from the Feb 14, 2017 meeting to be approved.
* Motion to approve was made by Carolyn Lyon and second by Anne Aronowitz. Motion passed.
* She also asked for everyone who is at the meeting needs to sign in on the attendance sheet

Parent at Large by Kim Hall

* BoE meeting – budget
* Realtors went on tours of the schools – successful
* Policy – food service, activisms, BoE will take on issues educational related in the government
* Communication survey
  + 183 responses (20% of school)
  + over half feel they are well informed
  + Hot Cider most selected source of info most used
  + Information is perceived to be reactionary instead or proactive
  + PTA given 4 or 5-star rating
  + Calendar source of dissatisfaction
  + Valued activity - “appreciative” activities – school supplies,
  + Less valued activities – those that attracted few people/students

1. Principal’s Report by Dr. Jennifer Mitchell

* Huge thanks for the PTA for the support of the staff and teachers – soup and salad and
* Thankful for approval of BoE budget from the BoF
* Grade level and teams number shifts for next year
* Special Area teachers to be coached and supported more on Progress Report comments
* Field Day/End of Year activity dates to be set after CM and MD compare calendars

1. Teacher Report by Cheryll Ryder
   * Thank you for the soup and salad – loved the opportunity to just sit and talk with colleagues
2. Committee Reports

Gifts and Grants (Mary Jones)

* Scott Driscoll presentation for 5th grade – up to $700; Nicola Davies made a motion to approve the money for this presentation, Jen Markey 2nd the motion, all approved
* Bus drivers want a new Lost and Found Bin and the depot - $50; Nicola Davies made a motion to approve the money for the bin, Jill Wilkinson 2nd the motion, all approved

Hospitality

* Soup and Salad was a huge success
* Bus Driver breakfast huge success
* Teacher Appreciation Week – first week of May, still planning details, need lunches

Project Adventure at MB

* Need parents belay when kids are climbing rock wall.
* Training provided
* 2 sessions of 6 weeks

Spring Book Fair

* In the gym week of June 5th – focus on summer reading list

Box Tops

* Total over $830 raised during the competition
* Over $1000 for the year

WYC

* Privileged and Pressured program on April 26th
* Sign up for newsletter

Meeting ended at 10:30