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WES COMMUNITY
*An independent non-profit dedicated to
 supporting outdoor education at
 Whiskeytown Environmental School*

Meeting Notes
 WES Community Board
 Monday, October 22nd 2018, 6:00 to 7:30pm
 at Shasta YMCA

Present: Melinda Kashuba, Edward Meyer, Kathy Hill,

Not Present:

Discussion

Action Items

Enjoy food/ Call to order/Make Introductions	Meeting was called to order at 6:07pm
Approve Minutes/Agenda additions and changes	Kathy made a motion to pass the September minutes, Melinda seconded. Motion passed.
SCOE Update	<p>Official Statement concerning the plan for WES has been released to the public.</p> <p><u>2018:</u> Moving out process has begun and the trailer has been moved off site. SCOE is taking the opinion that the BAER Report is the definitive information on the state of the old site on Clear Creek.</p> <p><u>2019:</u> Working on adapting the journal and curriculum to the new site.</p> <p>Rotary gave \$7,500.00 which will likely be spent on cold weather gear for students in attendance.</p> <p>Getting supplies and equipment moved up to the Lassen Pines site. Lassen Pines staff is working hard on infrastructure and facility improvements to be ready for programs to start in January. Working on a contract between SCOE and Lassen Pines.</p> <p>Future of the program is not going back to NEED Camp. SPI has been very cooperative and helpful as neighbors at Lassen Pines and has offered to build trails. Nathan has been meeting with SPI rep Kristi Lanham and many</p>

Board of Directors

Stan Bridges Kathy Hill Melinda Kashuba, PhD
 Edward Meyer

WES Liaisons -

SCOE Liaison – Nathan Fairchild **WNRA Liaison** – Ellen Petrick
Special Projects - David Huscher

	<p>conversations have revolved around the future and a new site for the program on SPI. Positive thing about starting fresh and on private land is that a lot of the hurdles and challenges of federal bureaucracy are no longer in play.</p> <p>Nathan would be very interested in getting an architect to donate their time to make a very basic site plan, not specific to any spot, just to get a tangible scene for people to see and understand. Discussion of inviting Nature Bridge folks up to have a conference regarding new site/facility development and speaking with folks at San Joaquin Office of Ed who are in the process of building a site at this time.</p> <p>Kathy floated the idea of a photo-booth for drawing up enthusiasm for the program. Discussion of setting up an on line store for WES gear. Kathy will discuss with Lena and determine if it is worth the time and effort and would be helpful to the program. Also discussed the possibility of getting a WES Community Square Reader so the group could sell WES merchandise at events.</p> <p>Deb Fox, the current head of Cool April Nites, has been inquiring about the state of WES and has expressed an interest in helping the program in some way. Will work on maintaining contact with this very large and important community group.</p>	
WNRA Update	Liaison not present. Kathy made the announcement that Ellen won a regional award for her stewardship of and mentoring in the Eagle Soar Program.	
Treasurers Report	<p>\$7921.86 current balance</p> <p>\$256.00 spent on food and supplies for the Open House at Lassen Pines</p> <p>\$450.00 received from Facebook Donations.</p> <p>Kathy made contact with Lauch Pad 4 Kids and got a thank you note from kid and spoke with them about fundraising for teachers. Teachers spend a lot of time on fundraising to get money sending kids to WES.</p>	
Announcements: Shasta College Day of Horticulture Therapy	Meets from 10am to noon Saturday, Oct. 27 th at the Shasta College Farm, Building 4000. Shasta College's Horticultural Dept., Re-Grow Shasta, and Shasta Master Gardeners are sponsoring. Free Plants to homeowners affected by the Carr and Delta Fires. Call 242-2219 for info.	
On-going Business		
Giving Tuesday Update	<p>Donation page is essentially the same as last year and the dead line has been passed for edits. Some of the content is no longer accurate as of the release of the official statement by SCOE last week and Kathy is going to try and talk to the NSGT administrators to see if she can access the page again to make changes to the language.</p> <p>November 13th begins early donation.</p> <p>Edward will work to get Kathy and Melinda administrative access to the FB page so they can work the switches on NSGT.</p>	
Open House at Lassen Pines	Great turn out, approx. 200 visitors. All very enthusiastic	

NEEF Grant	No news. Melinda has made several trips with NPS to various locations within the park to determine what might work. Building a list of age appropriate site.	
Friends of Whiskeytown Meeting	WRNA temp Superintendent Patrick Gubbins suggested to park service overhead that they not bring in another temp supt. A current employee will roll into the position. Oak Bottom Marina management spoke regarding the status of the marina and how that relates to the kayak program. Kayaks, trailer, and related gear survived the fire intact.	
New Business		
Officer Elections	Kathy made a motion to nominate and vote to keep officer positions as is. Edward seconded. Motion passed and all Board Members will maintain their active positions	
2019 Budget Formulation	Discussion of adding a project to the budget to direct donate thru Launch Pad 4 Kids to nominated teachers to assist in their fundraising efforts. Edward made a motion of putting forth the remaining balance of the Kimball Fund donation from NSGT 2017 of \$1,754 and the remaining funds in the Launch Pad 4 Kids account towards teachers, Kathy seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.	
Meeting Adjourned	Adjourned at 7:31pm	

Next meeting at Shasta YMCA: 6:00pm December 3, 2018

or the 4th Monday of each Month