

Worcester Elementary – Home & School Association

Monthly Meeting
Tuesday, February 6, 2024
7:15 pm

I. Welcome and Approval of minutes from previous meeting

1. First, Nikki Ferraro and Second, Erin Wiggle

II. Principal Amici Report

1. We had our Dino Dig for second grade, that was exciting for the kids
2. We now have the gymnastics unit set up in the gym which is a much loved activity.
3. The new librarian has started her position
4. Thursday (Feb 8) is the 100th day of school.
5. Thanks to Nikki and Kate for their direction on I Love Worcester Day
6. No school on Feb 16 (in service day, the teachers will be in school to learn about structured reading), Feb 19 and Feb 20 (parent conferences, please reach out to your teacher to request a conference)
7. April 24-May 3 are PSSA for 3rd and 4th grade
8. Question about Valentines Day – teachers will communicate directly to parents in regards to any Valentines Day exchanges/activities

III. President's Report

1. Mini-grants – please submit by Feb 29. Home and School will review the grants totaling \$5000 in budget.
2. 100th day – 1st graders are making shirts and have their annual fashion show
3. Grade Level events – These are currently being planned. Grade leads will soon send out a flyer to parents.

IV. Vice President's Report

1. Looking for volunteers for Family Game Night (via Konstella) and also leads for events for next year.
2. There is a new VP email address – worcesterhomeandschoolvp@gmail.com

a. New volunteer signup (google doc)

V. Treasurer's Report

1. \$49697.06 - \$318.75 (outstanding checks) - \$1245 (outside funds) = \$48770.81

VI. Teacher's Report/Guest Speaker

1. No teacher speaker present
2. Question (Mrs. Amici) How much is budgeted for spring events? Discussion about projected \$29000 budgeted for heavy back end spring events (\$500 fun day, \$300 per grade events, \$500 4th grade picnic, \$5000 minigrants, family game night, teacher appreciation, field day, AG Lab...).
3. Library is EITC approved

VII. Standing Committee Reports

1. Family Game Night – (Rosie) In need of more volunteers to collect donations and make raffle baskets. Save the date will be coming soon.
2. Yearbook – (Donna) 32 have sold so far, Post cards will be distributed this year. Covering yearbooks for 4th graders. Blasting email for pics on Konstella
3. Tile Night – (Julie) This will take place in person on April 26, 2024.
4. First Aid courses – (Bethany) Mary Bruno will hold classes at Worcester library in February from 6-9. 5 people have signed up so far, room for 1 more person. Completely open for registration for March and April dates. She will teach from beginners to Heimlich maneuver that saved infamous Jersey Shores actors child. \$30 discount from regular price of \$90.
5. MCC will hold a Red Cross blood drive
6. Golf Outing – Save the date flyers went out to parents. Looking for volunteers to help with this event
7. Talent Show – Permission slips went out with students – 26th is the due date. This year the talent show is open to 2nd grade as well as 3rd and 4th. Waiting on amount of acts before soliciting MC's. Jessice to send out on Konstella.

VIII. Corresponding and/or Recording Secretary Comments to Organization

1. Worcester home and school email will continue to be used for any general questions that can be redirected to the correct person. VP email geared towards more specific volunteer questions, etc.

IX. District Report - Happenings around the District – Methacton Schools, District Council, School Board or Special Committees

1. SEA: Julie Stephens
2. School Board Update – see below

i. Upcoming meetings:

1. February 20, 2024 7:00 p.m. Work Session Meeting Arcola Auditorium (high school planning committee presentation)
2. February 27, 2024 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting Arcola Auditorium

X. Unfinished Business

1. Congratulations to Worcester reps and 4th grade students for reciting the pledge and the essays of love of Worcester.
2. Worcester has the most students signed up for Methacton Dodgeball Tournament than any other school!
3. Question – (Nameer Bhati) When will we get Worcester shirts? They will be delivered to the students on Monday Feb 12th.
4. School Counselors Week – (Jessica) Please print out coloring flyers to send back to school for the counselor!

XI. New Business and/or Listening Post (general comments and/or concerns part from the agenda items)

XII. Adjournment

1. First, Bethany Coughlin Second, Erin Hillyard