

WPNS Membership Meeting Minutes

December 7, 2021 at 7pm

In Person

- General Update / Kristen / Joyce
 - Chat down
 - Magic time of year, imaginations are going. Lots of questions.
 - Does Santa come to everybody's house?
 - "What do you think?"
 - Let them believe in what they want to believe
 - Nurture their imagination, create critical thinkers
 - What they think is what they think, and it's not wrong
 - "You're naughty"
 - "You need to stop doing x I'll tell your grownup you're naughty and Santa won't come"
 - If you don't intend to follow through, don't say it
 - They'll just push further if you don't follow through
 - You've also broken a little bit of trust
 - Kids are starting to compare each other
 - We want them to learn that every child has their own plan
 - Everyone develops at their own place and time
 - We all have our moments
 - Remember that children are comparing to siblings too
 - Remember that you're being watched and heard by your kids
 - Children at this age do not bully each other, lie, steal, they're not mean
 - A child who is said to be "lying" might be trying to get their needs met using their words
 - They don't bully, they react. They might not have the words and they might be physical, help correct those words.

- o Reminders

- Sick Policy

- Hand foot and mouth going around everywhere
 - Caused by several viruses. Stays in your body for three weeks. Adults can carry and have no symptoms. Because of COVID and the bubbles, the kids' bodies don't know how to be sick.
 - Anisa can help with ointments
 - Cleaning every day
 - Fogging every few days
 - Be mindful that HFM can present a lot of different ways. Bumps, fever, etc.
 - Cannot come back until blisters are done
 - The pediatricians say we just need to "ride the wave"
 - If your child is sick, we need to know what your child is sick with. Please call the office.
 - We have to close parts of the school so we can effectively clean them
 - No judgement! We just need to know
 - We won't tell everybody. We just put out a health alert.
 - Allergies
 - That's ok
 - Symptomatic asthma – Joyce can give treatments at school, bring it in
 - Hand sanitizer – trying to find a non-alcohol solution
 - Car Seats
 - No kids out of car seats in the alley
 - Must be in the car seat until the motor is turned off and your car is parked
 - Five point harness
 - Label Everything – this is a request from the teachers
 - Masks, shoes, underwear, diaper cream, diapers, everything please
 - Check your mailboxes
 - School pictures are in

- o No school starting Dec 20, we return Jan 3

- o Updates:
 - Holiday Boutique – gifts due tomorrow 12/8, under \$5
 - The gifts are to add to the shop (not for your family specifically)
 - Bring in one item per each person they're shopping for
 - They don't need the names of the people they're shopping for, just the number
 - Needs help hanging twinkle lights, decoration help. Anytime after 8:30am on 12/8.
 - Special visitor here on 12/15 and 12/16
 - Books due before the special visitor comes
 - PJ day 12/16 and 12/17 – no character PJs
 - In school field trip 12/17 12:30-1:30pm
 - Kids who leave at 12:30 can still attend, parents don't need to be there, please no siblings.
- o Universal Pre-K
 - Forming a committee – how we can be proactive and meet the needs of our community, what parents are looking for in a transitional Kindergarten
 - The curriculum is not developmentally appropriate
 - They're doing a lot of "seat time"
 - Note from a teacher in the room that kindergarten teachers are not happy about this, because of the curriculum
 - Our goal is to meet the needs of our kids and the needs of our families
 - Legally, if your child needs the gift of time and need to do a TK program (when they were supposed to do Kindergarten) – it's possible to do, talk to Joyce
 - If you want to "red shirt" your kids, you can have them stay at WPNS
 - The TK classroom are very similar to kindergarten, sitting in chairs and academics.
- Events and Outreach / Maggie
 - o Open House – Jan 22
 - Service hour opportunity
 - Need donations, coffee and fruit
 - The kids come and it's a lot of fun

- o Scott Miller will be put on the books for next year
- o Pattie Fitzgerald in May
- Finance / Kristen
 - o Current Financial Picture:
 - Assets
 - Operating: \$286,047.12
 - Savings: \$93,486.14
 - Liabilities
 - EIDL: \$56,770
 - Private Loan: \$33,048
 - Last months tuition deposits: \$60,674
 - Building Closeout: \$50,000
 - o Added to our operating budget after our expenses were paid
 - o Paying with Zelle – treasurer@wpns.org
 - o Based on the legislation passed for universal pre-K and TK, holding off on tuition conversation until January
- Business - Whitney
 - o Sign in
 - o Approval of last month's Minutes
 - Matt Farnsworth seconds
 - 37 ayes
 - No nays
 - No abstentions
- Communications / Anna
 - o Upcoming dates
 - o NEED A SIGN UP FOR WORK DAY
- Operations / Izzy
 - o Need a pick up truck
 - They're in bags
 - Reena and another volunteer who I can't see can pick it up. Brad can also help on another day (not 12/8)
 - Sandbox is leaning and needs help – 10 volunteers, upcoming service hour opportunity
- Fundraising / Sarah & Natasha
 - o Winter WonderRun Recap
 - Raised \$7900+
 - Extended through Dec 15
 - Announcement next month of what family raised the most and what family received the most donations

- o Sees ended 12/3, raised \$1800
 - Some glitches, send a note to fundraising
- o Gennan photo shoot complete
 - Spring photo date March 20
- o Fundraising opportunities for Fall
 - Boon supply ends 12/15 (order by 12/9 for Christmas)
 - Minted runs all year, but orders by 12/15 will count for fall
 - Email coordinator@wpns.org to receive credit for orders
 - Acupuncture to raise funds - \$50 for half hour session, next Wednesday (can open additional spots)
- o Fundraising requirement – families will be billed the outstanding fundraising amount after December 15
 - Will send in digest
 - Will go up on Website
- o If your company does matching, we can show you how
 - will be sent via email and will be in the Links Box on the Digest
- Membership / Whitney
 - o If you don't record it, we don't know about it
 - Service hours/work days
 - Parent eds
 - Same log sheet as for service hours
 - Affiliate fundraisers (Minted, etc – send an email to fundraising for questions)
 - o Service hour opportunities
 - These are applied to your service hour requirements
 - Drop off is an example of a service hour opportunity
 - o In-classroom working parent
 - \$25 tuition credit per shift
 - Don't log these as service hours
 - o Summaries sent this week to your emails
 - Note that summaries are due by 12/15, \$200 due
- Any other business
 - o December 17 – Parents Night Out!
 - o Traveling – if you travel outside the state of CA, your unvaccinated child has to take a PCR test between 5-7 days after return and send a negative test to the school, or wait 10 days.

