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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, September 24th 2018, 6:00 to 7:30pm
 at Shasta YMCA

Present: Melinda Kashuba, Edward Meyer, Kathy Hill, Ellen Petrick

Not Present:

Discussion

Action Items

Enjoy food/ Call to order/Make Introductions	Meeting was called to order at 6:07pm Stan Bridges will not be able to be present until further notice due health issues. His energy and enthusiasm for WES and WES Community will be missed during his absence.
Approve Minutes/Agenda additions and changes	Melinda made a motion to pass the August, 2 meetings worth, of minutes, Kathy, seconded. Motion passed.
SCOE Update	Nathan Fairchild not in attendance, so Melinda read through notes he sent last week for updates. See below: I cannot attend today, but at this time I don't have much new to report that you didn't hear at the Board Meeting. Here are the bullet points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have not signed a contract with Lassen Pines but hope to do so soon. • The Board will provide us with guidance in the near and long term at their private planning meeting on September 26th. • We anticipate beginning the hiring process in early to mid October. • We continue to gather information about long term plans in a spreadsheet with sites and site criteria, both existing camps and empty land. SCOE has no specific plans yet for the future since this is contingent on large donations of money, land, or both. • The field lab program has been shut down for the school year. We will

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>not have camp rentals or summer camp in 2018-19.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We appreciate your work on an Open House at LP and your presence at the Board meeting and Make Faire! <p>Tentatively 1/3/19 would be employee training for the Spring Semester of WES at Lassen Pines; 1/14/19 would be the first day of residential programs.</p>
WNRA Update	<p>Still waiting to hear from NPS regarding setting up a meeting about the possible site and logistics for the purposed NEEF Grant.</p> <p>New website host and new design for recreation.gov, goes up 10/1, open to start reserving on 10/5. Paddle Board and Kayak reservations will be made here when programs resume.</p> <p>Trainings on Content Management System so park personnel will be more educated on how to make changes to park website and related internet information sources.</p> <p>NPS personnel will be attending Indian Days in Trinity County later this week and will be playing a Forest Fire Adaptation Game with 4th graders in attendance.</p> <p>NPS will have a booth at the Salmon Fest at Coleman Hatchery on 10/20/18.</p> <p>Bree has finished 2 new waysides for Whiskey Creek, and a new wayside for the JFK Memorial.</p> <p>Old Time Holiday 12/1/18 will be held at Shasta State Historic Park and NPS will participate.</p> <p>BAER Implementation Coordinator is assigned to the Park for approx. the next 3 weeks and after that, a full time Coordinator will be hired to manage the post fire planning and restoration for at least a year.</p>
Treasurers Report	<p>\$7,836.36 current balance</p> <p>Edward renewed GoDaddy Web Hosting for \$20.17</p> <p>Kathy spent an additional \$8.05 on extra privacy and security with GoDaddy.</p> <p>Kathy spent \$85.00 on straws for the Bee House project at the Maker Faire.</p>
Announcement: Post Fire Vegetation/Erosion Workshop	<p>Shasta College 7pm-9pm 9/25/18. Kathy and Melinda will try to attend.</p>
On-going Business	
Giving Tuesday Update	<p>We have been accepted to participate in North State Giving Tuesday thanks to the efforts of Kathy and Melinda. 10/15/18 is the next stepping stone date in terms of creating and polishing our profile and adding visual images. Will continue to seek ideas from SCOE of what would be good for us to "Ask" for.</p>
Mini Maker Faire 9/15/18	<p>Great event and a busy day. Made many Native Bee houses with enthusiastic Maker Faire participants and discussed the present state of affairs with WES programs post Carr Fire. It was evident from discussions with participants that the</p>

	interest and support for WES in the community is vast.	
Open House and Clean Up Day at Lassen Pines	No news yet from SCOE regarding a date or structure for an event. Kathy gave an example as to how we could organize the event based on a bulletin board she put together detailing 5 different stations that the visiting students and parents would cycle through.	
NEEF Grant	Melinda submitted the grant the day before its due date; hope to hear about funding sometime October. If the grant goes through, there will need to be a lot of discussion with NPS and SCOE about the placement of photo points.	
Facebook Donation Button	Button is now active on the page and will be shared widely.	
New Business		
Friends of Whiskeytown Meeting Report	Group gave 60 "Camperships" to fund student's attendance to the residential program last year. We would like to attend their monthly meetings on a more regular basis, which are held at the YMCA in the same room that we meet. Discussion of inviting Friends of Whiskeytown and the Kayak Group Volunteers to participate on a volunteer basis at a Lassen Pines clean up and/or open house.	
Officer Elections, Bylaw Changes?	Will discuss further at next meeting. All board's members have stated they are interested in staying in their present role.	
2019 Budget Formulation	Melinda will send out a draft before the next meeting for Board members to look over and make suggestions and further discussion will be had at October meeting. Discussion of funding Nature Bridge staff to come back up and meet with SCOE and NPS to talk about planning for a new vision of WES Camp. Think of similar type projects to put on the budget for 2019.	
Meeting Adjourned	Adjourned at 7:45pm	

Next meeting at Shasta YMCA: 6:00pm October 22, 2018

or the 4th Monday of each Month