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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, February 25th 2019, 6:00 to 7:30pm  
 at Shasta YMCA

Present: Melinda Kashuba, Edward Meyer, Ellen Petrick, Lena Martin, Josh Hoines, Kathy Hill

Not Present: Stan Bridges

Discussion

Action Items

Enjoy food/ Call to order/Make Introductions	Meeting was called to order at 6:08pm
Approve Minutes/Agenda additions and changes	Melinda made a motion to pass the January minutes, Kathy seconded. Motion passed.
SCOE Update	<p>Lena Martin attended and gave the Board a report. Nathan met with the USFS regarding potential new sites and the meeting was positive overall, but still very general. Nathan and WRNA Supt. Josh Hoines have a meeting scheduled in March.</p> <p>Discussion of Lena contacting us whenever she is contacted regarding schools/students in need of funding assistance.</p> <p>Board decided to roll a previously donated \$255.00 check that was from raffle proceeds to fund a school needing financial support. The money had been earmarked for backpacks, but they were determined to not be needed.</p>
WNRA Update	New WRNA Superintendent Josh Hoines introduced himself to the group and has a very positive outlook on Whiskeytown and the job ahead. Josh puts a lot of importance on building relationships between the community and the Park and maintaining open lines of communication regarding the Park. Excited about the potential for WES Camp in the future, but is putting the rehab of campus into a middle category in terms of public use and priority. Everyone has to be realistic with the dangers before putting any public back in the campus.

**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>Ellen reported that a tree fell on Cabin 17/18 during the snow storm of 2/13/19. Otherwise the no other damage from the snow.</p> <p>All scheduled projects regarding the campus are still on the docket, but likely moved back 1-2 years based on other priorities within the park.</p> <p>Seasonal hiring is taking place currently.</p>	
Treasurers Report	<p>\$11,246.03 current balance. Total does not cover the 2K for fall river or the promised 3K for Anderson.</p> <p>\$108.11 was spent on 2/4/18 for aprons after an immediate wish list request made by John Oliver</p> <p>Edward turned over to Kathy a check from eScrip for \$45.00 that was received fall of 2018 and accidentally filed away until being recently rediscovered during secretary paperwork organization.</p> <p>Taxes are due May 15<sup>th</sup></p>	
<b>On-going Business</b>		
Cascade-Union 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Funding	<p>Melinda contacted the Superintendent and gave him some info on large enviro based community employers and the Logging Conference to ask about the potential for funding assistance. Sierra-Cascade Environment and Resource Fund are not registered with the state as a non-profit and Melinda clarified this new information with Superintendent.</p> <p>Discussion of offering up our raffle permit to schools as a fundraising option. If schools get an auction item, we can raffle it as long as it is not an online auction.</p>	
T-shirt Sales and Promotions	<p>Looking at doing a small event in March at the California Street Labs to get the hang of it. \$25.00 for a shirt and tie dye experience, \$15.00 for a second shirt.</p> <p>April 27 is the date for the main event, WES Resilience Day.</p>	
Friends of Whiskeytown 2/11/19 Meeting Recap	<p>Melinda attended the meeting and though WES Camp was not on their agenda, it ended up being a big topic of conversation. A lot of enthusiasm, but very broad and far reaching in terms of ideas on how to support the Park's recovery. Group will sit down and develop specific strategies regarding grant writing and fund searching for park projects. During the conversation, Jennifer Gibson stated that there is a desire to enter into an MOU as WES Community with the NPS.</p> <p>Anna Schrenk is the BAER leader and is now assigned to WRNA.</p>	
Whole Earth and Watershed Festival 4/20/19	<p>Discussion of set up of our booth. Will get tables from the event and provide our own chairs and shade structure. Melinda will provide a rolling rack to hang shirts on that we plan to sell.</p>	
<b>New Business</b>		
Gateway School District: Buckeye School of the Arts	<p>1 student lost their home in the Carr Fire and is attending WES, 1 student lost their home in the Camp Fire and is attending WES. Community Disaster Relief Funding and Safety Net Funding is allocating money to assist those affected by the fires on an application basis. WES Community may submit applications as a registered</p>	

Funding Request	non-profit so there was discussion of filling out the paperwork and putting in a request on behalf of the school and students needing funds.  4/8-4/12, 50 students attending	
WESC-NPS Memorandum of Understanding	Tabled until next month when we will have a quarterly meeting with just the board members.	
Sundial Bridge Summer Equinox Music Festival	Friday 6/21/19. Organizer is looking for non-profits and vendors to set up to do a simple activity with guests. Idea of doing a bee house activity again as we still have all the materials. Will discuss at the next meeting.	
The Newcomers	Kathy has been invited to speak at the Newcomers Hiking Group on 3/28/19 regarding hiking in the area and requested from NPS the ability to take photos on Martha's Ditch trail for a before and after fire slide show. Will work with Ellen to try and make it happen.	
Meeting Adjourned	Adjourned at 7:27pm	

Next meeting at Shasta YMCA: 6:00pm March 25, 2018

or the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each Month