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WES COMMUNITY

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

Meeting Notes
WES Community Board
DATE: August 22, 2022 6:00 to 7:30pm
Via Zoom Web-conference

Present: Melinda Kashuba, Kathy Hill, Francesca Huntsman, Cassie Simons, Ellen Petrick, Laura Ostmann NPS, James Goodman NPS, Tyler Compton NPS, Nate Fairchild SCOE, Gordon Flinn
 Missing: Tammy Reynolds FOW

	Discussion	Action Items
Call to order/Make Introductions		
Approve Minutes/Agenda additions and changes	Kathy makes motion to accept minutes from July, and Francesca seconds, all in favor. Change in agenda, reminder of upcoming elections in October.	
WNRA Report: Tyler Compton/ Laura Ostmann James Goodman	Update on Kennedy Fire, 45 acres, one fatality involved due to car accident which started fire. The fuel break on Shasta Divide worked to keep fire spread under control. Fire is now out. Work continues on Brandy Creek Falls Trail rebuilding. Visitorship has dropped with start of school. Josh filling in at Death Valley as a result of flood damage, Laura is acting superintendent. Clean up event at THHD on 9-11 as part of National Day of Service. On 9-24 Simpson College partnership to participate in PULL event. Volunteer recruitment event early October, date not certain, to recruit H. S. and college youth. September 17 th , Harvest Festival at THHD.	

Board of Directors 2022

Kathy Hill · Francesca Huntsman-Siemer
 Melinda Kashuba, PhD · Ellen Petrick · Cassie Simons

Friends of Whiskeytown Liaison - Tammy Reynolds
SCOE Liaison – Nathan Fairchild **WNRA Liaison** – Tyler Compton

<p>SCOE Update: Nathan Fairchild</p>	<p>Fall 22 and spring 23 student registrations are coming in. 2 permanent staff and 1 substitute. Meeting with SCOE superintendent, NPS superintendent and Nathan for future program planning. More time has been dedicated to training the field lab naturalists.</p>	
<p>Friends of Whiskeytown: Via Melinda</p>	<p>2nd annual Blandy Creek Blond event/fundraiser to take place on Sept 2nd. Gala event on October 8th. WES Community will donate a gift basket.</p>	<p>Kathy Francesca</p>
<p>Treasurer's Report: Kathy Hill</p>	<p>Attached are the Statement of Position and Statement of activity for January thru June of 2022. These are available upon request to the public interested in these reports. Our Bank Balance is \$215,566.08 as of 8/21/22 The Morgan Stanley Account holds \$7,044.62</p> <p>Bookkeeper has ill family member so she was not able to do July report. She will catch up next month.</p> <p>A relationship has been initiated with the Enjoy Store located on Market Street. This could be an intermediary for delivery and pick up of WES Camp gear. Nate thinks is possible to provide SCOE van to help transport gear from printer to Enjoy store.</p>	
<p>On-going Business</p>		
<p>Capital Campaign</p>	<p>3 events scheduled, approx. 250 invites sent out. RSVPs are returning. Video completed 2 meetings at WES with Metals Direct to develop and design student housing. Cheaper, faster and more fire-resistant housing. Units will be permanent. Need SCOE input on bathroom requirements.</p> <p>Meeting on 8-18 with SCOE Superintendent on design updates.</p> <p>Josh Hoines NPS to come and present to SCOE leadership team the efforts of WNRA.</p>	

	<p>NPS has completed condition assessment on all cabins and are to be removed.</p> <p>WES Community to raise \$1.5 million by mid-December to speed construction forward.</p> <p>Moving Administrative Office to the front is a SCOE requirement per the superintendent. SCOE might pay for its construction. It needs to be multifunctional and serve many purposes.</p> <p>Tim Hill coordinating with SCOE to make sure function and form work for SCOE and NPS.</p> <p>Foundation money \$255,000+ received since May, 2022 to help our Capital Campaign Budget.</p>	
Newsletter	Estimated date of publication will be late September.	Francesca
LiDAR Permit	Reports has been submitted on last year's work; Laura S. is pursuing a permit for this coming year.	Melinda
Security Camera	WiFi will not be available until next year so game camera is the choice. Melinda will coordinate with Gary Bias or David Keltner	
New Business		
Funding NPS Dept. Of Eligib. Report on WES for SHPO	2017 NPS/Briana conducted an assessment on what is a historic structure at WES. None of them are historic, but program is significant to the community. Determination of Eligibility wasn't completed to go to State of CA due to the Carr Fire in 2018. It must be completed to get WES reconstruction underway. WES Community will need to hire and pay for consultant to complete, estimated price range is \$10,000 Christine Avery, Avery Historic, Seattle	

	<p>WA. Report must be submitted to and then pushed up by Glendee Ann Osborn NPS. A letter may suffice (because of fire) and therefore less cost. Ellen thinks it may just need editing and has offered. Melinda will query with Glendee what is necessary. Could be 30 to 90 days to complete.</p> <p>Francesca motions to approve up to \$20,000 to complete report, Cassie seconds. Motion accepted by all. Once Eligibility report completed Environmental Assessment can be pushed forward by Jacobs</p>	
Memorandum of Intent, Jacobs Engineering (Jacobs Solutions Incorporated by September	<p>Lisa Aliger says no work has work has been done to move the agreement forward. Lisa A. needs WES Community to create a project description <u>before</u> finalizing the Memorandum of Intent Agreement. One employee may volunteer to research the E.A. to move project forward while awaiting agreement to be finalized. Traffic circulation work needs the agreement finalized before this part of pro bono work can begin, this also applies with survey work that's needed.</p>	Melinda
Social Media	<p>A position needs to be created for a social media manager to send out our content. Chasity Konu at SCOE, Chamber of Commerce, and Jeff Davis.</p>	
Meeting Adjourned	<p>Adjourned at 7:30</p>	
Note taker	<p>Cassie Simons/Francesca Huntsman</p>	

Next meeting 6:00pm September 26, 2022 via zoom