

WatersToday Board Meeting Minutes

March 14th, 2022

7 p.m. Meeting

WatersToday Mission Statement

WatersToday was created for the purpose of raising and administering money to support Waters Elementary School. Working collaboratively and respectfully with the Thomas J. Waters Elementary administration, faculty and Waters community, WatersToday strives to continually support, augment, and enhance the educational experience of Waters Elementary students. Our primary focus is to support the Waters ecology program and strategic school initiatives.

Meeting at Waters Elementary

Attendance: Vanessa Summer, Jesse Novak, Sam Kaune, Jen Davidson, Mary Gallery, Cara Sullivan, Sarah Anderson, Poppy Brandes, Pete Leki, Amy Vecchioni, Peter Rutkowski

Absent: Jesse Branan

18 community members

1. Opening Introductions

2. Waters Today Board and Committee Structure

Presidential Team-Vanessa Summer and Jessie Novak

Community & Events Team – Jennifer Davidson

Communications & Marketing Team – Mary Gallery and Cara Sullivan

Treasurers – Sam Kaune and Jesse Brannan

Volunteer Team – Poppy Brandes and Sarah Andersen

Secretary – Jacqueline Gaines

3. Board Business

a. Secretary- Jacqueline Gaines

i. Approve February Minutes

1. JG moved to approve Feb meeting minutes; JD seconded, all in favor

ii. Next Open Meeting June 13th

b. Treasurers-Jesse Brannan and Sam Kaune

i. Brief Financial Update

1. WT raises funds a year in advance of their expenditures. So far this year we have raised about \$135,000.
2. The money goes to:
 - a. Ecology program
 - b. Right at School lunch and recess support
 - c. Intended to fund a tech coordinator, but not needed so hired a vendor that comes twice a week to fix things. Left money to purchase promethean boards for classes that don't have them
 - d. Various small needs (uniforms, remote learning supplies, pumpkins for Harvest Day)

c. Community and Events -Jen Davidson

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- i. Waters Dines Out at Lou Malnoti's Tuesday, April 26th - more info will be in Green Notes
- ii. Springapalooza Friday, May 6th 3:30-5:30
 1. A community event - all teachers, staff, students, community welcome - a fun spring party. Jessie will have more info about volunteer opportunities
- iii. Big Night Friday, May 20th - Vanessa Summer and Cheryl McNally are co-chairing. At Artifact Events. Will have indoor and outdoor space. Silent auction will go live May 9th. Classroom artwork will be stools/plant stands and will be in the auction.
- iv. When is Kinder and 8th grade graduation? WT provides yard signs for 8th grade graduates and ice cream for kindergarten graduates
 1. Mr Rutkowski: 8th grade is June 9th; Kinder TBD

4. Break Out Groups

- Big Night (Jen Davidson)
- Springapalooza (Jessie Novak)
- Ecology with Mr. Leki
- Supporting the Arts with Ms. Vecchioni
- Walk-a-thon (Laura and Erica)
- Teacher Appreciation (Andrea and Brooke)
- WT Board Positions (Vanessa Summer)

5. Q&A

6. Meeting adjourned to Rockwells