

**Schoharie EPTSO Meeting Minutes  
Thursday October 6, 2022**

**Location:** Schoharie Free Library and Virtual via Google Meet at 6pm

**Present:**

*Officers:* Kelly Seamster, President; Vanessa Repicky, Secretary

*Assistant Principal:* Marci Tebbano

*Members:* Emily Haley, Yajira Lopez, Tiffany Csontos, Erin Niklas

**Excused:**

*Officers:* Meghan Decker, Treasurer; Cassidy Keller, Vice President

**Call to order:** 6:04pm

**Financial Report:** The September 2022 financial report was submitted for review by Meghan Decker, Treasurer. Meghan Decker confirms this evening via text that the 2021 taxes have been filed. Vanessa Repicky reported that online banking has been set up and has obtained the paperwork to update the new officers as approved signers on the account. Vanessa Repicky recommends purchasing Quicken software to be utilized to better track income and expenses as well as to develop a more defined annual budget. Vanessa also recommends that future monthly bank statements be emailed to the EPTSO gmail account, all in favor.

- **Upon a motion by Kelly Seamster, seconded by Emily Haley, the purchase of Quicken software is unanimously approved.**

**Secretary's Report:**

- **Upon a motion by Kelly Seamster, seconded by Vanessa Repicky the September 2022 meeting minutes are unanimously approved.**

**Updates:**

- **Little Free Library:** Vanessa Repicky reports that the October event for the Little Free Library is Book or Treat. Emily Haley expresses concerns that someone could potentially mix in fentanyl laced candy. Discussion of alternatives, Vanessa Repicky will change the treats to non-food items such as stickers and bookmarks.
- **WGY Christmas Wish Grant:** Vanessa Repicky reports that an application for \$500 to pay for recess equipment has been submitted to WGY Christmas Wish. Determination is not expected until October 2023.
- **Cybergrants:** Vanessa Repicky reported that a Cybergrants Front Door account has been created. This is a grant portal for NPO's required to apply for a Walmart Community grant.

**Funding Requests:**

- **Nurse Receipts:** None received this month.

**Event Updates:**

- **Boosterthon:** Kelly Seamster presents updates on the status of the fall fundraiser, Boosterthon:
  - Registration opens: 10/10/22
  - Kickoff: 10/24/2022
  - Schoharie Fun Run Date: 11/04/2022

- Fundraising Goal: \$12,000
  - Fundraising Item: field trips
  - T-Shirt Discussion: Each grade can wear a different color shirt. Yajira Lopez suggests asking families to each send in a white shirt and then have them tie dyed at the school with the grade level appropriate color. Emily Haley suggests reaching out to Mrs. Scofield for assistance with this.
  - Incentives: Many incentive options, choose three top choices and have the students vote
  - Teacher communication was kicked off at the October faculty meeting and follow up emails have been sent
- **Movie Night Recap:** Kelly Seamster leads discussion and takes notes on the Back to School Movie night.
  - **Pumpkin Contest:** Vanessa Repicky reports that the contest has been kicked off with the distribution of the flier and trophies have been received.
  - **Hats on for Soldiers:** Vanessa Repicky reports that this annual event will occur on November 9th. Funds will be collected and a check will be emailed to Operation Adopt a Soldier.
  - **Spring Bus Trip:** Vanessa Repicky presented two quotes obtained for chartering a round trip bus to NYC on April 22, 2023. Tickets will begin being sold in January for a fee of \$50 per seat, open to all Schoharie Elementary families, first come first serve. A \$200 deposit is due to Yankee Trails upon booking and the total amount is due three weeks before the trip date.
    - **Upon a motion by Kelly Seamster, seconded by Vanessa Repicky, the contract approval to Yankee Trails for \$2050 was unanimously approved.**

**New Business:**

- **Field Trips:** Erin Niklas asks if the school/teachers will be able to go on traditional grade level field trips this year. Vanessa Repicky confirms that at this point there are no restrictions placed on teachers planning their own grade level field trips.

**Adjourn:** Upon a motion by Emily Haley, seconded by Kelly Seamster, the meeting is unanimously adjourned at 7:04pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Vanessa Repicky  
Secretary