

OLESS Meeting Minutes

(Old Lyle Elementary School Supporters)

April 4, 2017 at 4:00 PM

Mission: Working together to preserve and maintain the Old Lyle Elementary School building and park as an activity center and green space to improve the quality of life for the Lyle community.

1. **Introductions for Guests – sign in and record volunteer hours and donations**
 - a. Marcia Buser
 - b. Dan Smith
 - c. Cindy Bluemel
 - d. Vern Harpol
 - e. Barbera Sexton
 - f. Clayton Blanc
 - g. Mindy Robison
 - h. Sherry Starkin
 - i. Julie Larson
 - j. Kelly Johnson (Note Taker)
2. **Clayton Blunk, MFS Match Coordinator, The Next Door**
 - a. Intro from all attendees
 - b. Clay – Intro to The Next Door
 - i. Mentor for Success – Matches at risk youth in local counties with caring responsible adults in local community – Klickitat, Wasco and Hood River counties
 1. Growing wait list so looking for volunteers
 2. One match made in Lyle
 3. Available to High School aged youth
 4. Matching dissimilar personalities
 - c. Julie – LHS has similar program (RISE). More focused on engaging the parents.
3. **Review and approval of March 7 minutes attached**
 - a. Approved
4. **Lyle School Updates (Julie)**
 - a. Extended school year to June 19th
 - b. Sources of Strength to help with clean up on Saturday
5. **Change monthly meeting time for summer? (Marcia)**
 - a. Stay with 4:00pm
6. **Treasurer's report (Barbara)**
 - Barbara - Pay raise for Katrina \$25/month because she does a great job.
 - All in favor of pay raise
7. **Building Issues (non-state grant projects)**
 - Wood chip offer – Not suitable for playground use. School might be able to use it as well. Julie Larson to check with school.
 - Robert Smith (541) 993-2256 maybe able to provide bark dust. Danny to follow up.
 - Tree near property line may need to be trimmed if we want to maintain otherwise the tree maybe cut down by the state. It is on the state right of way.
 - Barbara – Will toilets be swapped out with regular size toilets? – No current plans for change
 - Sherri – Does OLESS want kitchen equipment from the Dallesport Elementary School?

- Vern - OLESS is not licensed to have commercial kitchen equipment.

8. State Grant Status - 25.2% grant money has been spent, 50.6% total spent, encumbered or awaiting invoice/reimbursement - \$129,500 remaining to allocate

- Status of approved work
 - Window replacement – In process
 - gutter over entry – In contact with Barry, he's running behind schedule due to winter weather.
- Review quote status for next work to be done
 - east roof (see request for bid at lyleactivitycenter.com) – Danny update:
 - Two contractors have received request for bids
 - Asbestos in roof
 - Contractors have been OK with bid requirements
 - bathroom refurb (see request for bid at lyleactivitycenter.com) – Danny Update
 - One contractor has received request for bid

9. Events & Rentals – anything coming up?

- Jakes bike ride Sunday 7/9 at 6:00am open by Cindy 7:00pm close by Kelly
- Barbara receiving regular calls for interest in building during summer months.
- Top Gear to teach drivers Ed in June
- Barbara - Port a Potty Rental begins in mid-April
- Easter egg hunt in green space on April 15th
- Lyle Pioneer Days May 27 (Mindy)
 - Distributed first draft of agenda
 - May 27th – 10am-9pm
 - No insurance if horses in the parade
 - Band at Corner Pocket
 - Would like OLESS to donate room for Bingo and use of restrooms (8:30am-9:00pm)
 - Event to be held in green space of OLESS
 - 2 Bands
 - Looking for donations
 - Usual Parade Route – 8th to Hwy 14 to 3rd , Maybe down Washington Street
 - Lyle Pioneer Days Committee – Next meeting April 10th at 6:00pm, Will meet every Monday in May. Members include but are not limited to:
 - Diane Howard
 - Randal Robison
 - Mindy Robison
 - Monique Meyers
 - Frank & Don King
 - Katrina Fitzsimmons
- Wineries / music in the park (Vern)

- Local wineries generally not interested in on site vending.
- Cindy - Riverview bank does concerts in the park – Vern to reach out to Riverbank
- How do we capture some revenue when people are in town for Lyle Wine Weekend?
 - Music, food

10. Status of action items from last & previous meetings meeting if not updated above

Vern to get thermostat in the nurses room fixed

11. Anything not already covered above & open forum

Cindy invited all to see her booth at the march for science on April 22nd

Next General Meeting Scheduled:

Tuesday May 2, 2017 at 4:00 PM at Lyle Activity Center
