

WAO Education Foundation Sept. 2016 Meeting Recap:

The WAO Public School Education Foundation met on September 21st at the WAOHS Library. Members present were Carol Anderson, Ellen Strickler, Amy Trudell, Carol Bowman, Dewey Swanson. Sally Roller. Carol Sedgeman, Russell Miller, and Ed Rosendahl were absent.

Some highlights from the meeting are:

Mary Stanislawski shared that Education Minnesota will use the WAO Magnet Project in one of their ads that will be aired in NW Minnesota. The Foundation funded the magnet project the past 2 years.

We will again apply for the Warren Area Community Fund Grant that is due November 1st. Various suggestions were talked about and a decision on what to submit will be made at the October Meeting.

Fall needs were distributed and are due back on October 10th. These will be discussed and approved at the October meeting.

The Porter Scholarships have been paid out—these are for students who are beginning their second year of school.

We will again promote through the elementary newsletters the idea of parents giving a holiday gift to the Foundation in lieu of giving a gift to a teacher. The Foundation will notify the teacher about the gift and the teacher will purchase something for his/her classroom and the Foundation will reimburse the teacher.

We will serve a light lunch to all staff/personnel on Tuesday, November 15th in honor of American Education Week.

Discussion was held on the Baked Potato Supper. There is a possibility of moving this to another night later in the month as it occurs on the first day back at school in 2017. A final decision will be made in October

A group of alumni have organized a WAO Picnic in Arizona for February 4, 2017 in the Mesa area.

We will not serve treats following the elementary holiday concert this year.

The August donations and memorials were approved.

The October meeting will be on October 19th at 5:30 in the WAOHS Library.