



MINUTES OF WINDSOR EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION AND REED FUND  
OCTOBER 18, 2021  
MEETING  
WINDSOR TOWN OFFICE

Note: These minutes may not be considered an official public record until such time as they are read and accepted by the Windsor Educational Foundation and Reed Fund Members.

Members present: Ronnie Brann, Bonnie Squiers, Ray Chavarie, Theresa Haskell, and Heather Wilson.

Public present: None.

**Ronald Brann called the Windsor Educational Foundation and Reed Fund Annual Meeting to order at 5:59 p.m.**

**Bonnie Squiers made a motion to approve the minutes dated April 12, 2021, as printed, seconded by Heather Wilson and approved 5-0-0.**

Theresa handed out the quarterly balances and they are as follows:

Money Market Account	\$ 3,160.31
1 Year CD	\$ 40,911.32
Interest from Stocks	\$ 4,562.82
Stocks	<u>\$212,107.77</u>
<b>Balances as of 9/30/2021</b>	<b>\$260,742.22</b>

Heather Wilson is requesting the following;

1. Four Bean Bag Chairs for the learning commons section in the library with slip covers in the amount of \$360.00.
2. Gaga Ball Pit, which is an Action Play System, 26 Feet in Diameter. This is a wonderful new way for students to play a dodgeball-type game without the aggressive nature of dodgeball. China School have several of these and the students love them. \$2,231.46.
3. Frogtown Mountain Puppeteers. This is a puppet show from nationally known puppet masters. The first show is \$600.00 with an additional \$300.00 for additional shows plus \$103.00 for mileage at \$0.56 per mile for a total amount requested of \$1,003.00.

Heather had mentioned they have been doing fundraising and have received \$900.00 the first year and last year received \$5,000.00 in fundraising efforts and would use some or all this money for the above listed requests. Ray Chavarie said he feels the Gaga Ball Pit may not be considered a reasonable request for the use of the Windsor Educational Foundation and Reed Fund monies and he feels we should be using these funds for the education of the children. Bonnie Squiers said she feels this is something that is educational, and each student may not be in a sport program but will allow these students to interact and learn certain life skills that is educational. Theresa said if you add all the requests up it would be \$3,594.46 and if we vote to approve half and let the fundraising efforts pay for the other half it would be \$1,797.23. Ray Chavarie said he would be ok with paying for the \$360.00 Bean

Bags, \$1,003.00 for the Frogtown Mountain Puppeteers and \$1,000.00 towards the Gaga Ball Pit with the additional request that the school purchases the additional four slipcovers for the bean bag chairs. He also is asking that any future requests should be more on the educational side. **Bonnie Squiers made a motion to approve the total of \$2,363.00 (\$360.00 for four Bean Bag Chairs, \$1,003.00 for two shows from Frogtown Mountain Puppeteers and \$1,000.00 towards the Gaga Ball Pit), seconded by Ray Chavarie and approved 5-0-0.**

Bonnie Squiers gave an update on the wood for the gazebo area. She said they have cut the wood and brought it to the Windsor Fairgrounds where the Historical Society and 25 volunteers has processed them into 8X8 forms. She has some Hemlock and some Pine. Currently the wood is still at the Windsor Fairgrounds stacked with sticks between them for air and Bonnie wanted to know if the foundation has been poured yet. Heather said that is hasn't been poured yet and probably won't be done until spring. Bonnie wanted to know if the school had a place for this wood to be stored on the school property and Heather said yes, they could find an area for them. Bonnie will check with the Windsor Fair Association to see if the wood could be stored throughout the winter or if we need to have it moved to the school. Ronald F. Brann said Arthur Strout probably would be able to help us move it and Ray Chavarie said he has a trailer. Theresa said now that this is being moved to next year maybe we could incorporate this for the Town of Windsor's Bicentennial as a community event. Heather loved this idea. Theresa also mentioned having the Windsor School involved in the Bicentennial events and is looking for a representative from the school to be on the committee. Theresa said it could be anyone who would want to represent towards the Town of Windsor's Bicentennial year.

Ronald F. Brann brought up questions of what is being taught in our school compared to what is being taught in other schools regarding Critical Race Theory, Sexuality and Maine History. Heather said she hasn't heard about the Critical Race Theory. They are teaching the Revolutionary War and forward for History and they do have Health Class. Heather said parents should be teaching their own children.

Theresa said the next scheduled meeting will be January 10, 2022, which will be the Annual Meeting.

**Ronald Brann declared this meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.**

The next meetings will be;

January 10, 2022 (Annual Meeting)

April 11, 2022

July 11, 2022

October 10, 2022 (Unless moved to October 17, 2022, because it is a Holiday)

Submitted by Theresa L. Haskell, Secretary