

# West Point Parents' Club of Massachusetts

General Meeting @ 15 Jordyn Ln., Andover, MA March 29, 2015 at 1:00 PM

**Introduction and Welcome Guests**- USMA Parent Communications Liaison Deb Dalton USMA Associate Dean – Registrar James Dalton

Approve minutes from General Meeting on January 25, 2015- No hard copies at meeting-postponed

#### Attendance

President Paula Burke and Tony Burke-Ryan '17
Past President Steve Wallingford and Marina Wallingford

Treasurer Kathy Ouellette - Matthew '18

Webmaster Bob Kerwin and Diane Kerwin -Michael '16

Events Coordinator Alan Beaulieu-Luke '18

Transportation Jeanne McGuire-Matthew '17
Membership Patti MacDonald-Brendan '17
Social Media Jeanne McGuire-Matthew '17

Holly Ball Liaison Denise Kenneally- '18

WPSNE Representative Wayne White '78 and Jermaine White

George Jedras-Mathew '13

Bob Sun-Claudia '19

April Andrews-WPPC-VT/NH

Transportation- Bus attendance low for Spring Break-->12 - need 24 riders each way to break even

- -Jeanne McGuire was able to change bus for a van
- -Discussion for better ridership-->Bus only emails, Deb Dalton to help with USMA Communications
- -Discussion about Labor Day weekend bus as there is a Friday evening home USMA football game

Firstie Celebration- March 29, 2015

- -There will be seven families attending.
- -Suggested in the future to send written invitations to families for class specific events

# **Treasurer's Report**

Expenses- Firstie Gifts, Mailing expenses for Deployed Grad Boodle, Tailgate,
Advertising for Holly Ball and Bruins/West Point Hockey Game
Income-Thanksgiving Bus, Membership Dues, and Donations

# **Holly Ball**

- Merchant Marines would like to attend in 2015
- Wounded Warrior Project beneficiary-Discussion about controversy with this group
- Wounded Airmen Project also beneficiary in 2014 by USAFA Parents Club
- USNA Parents of MA coordinating Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015 → Joanne Campo
- Discussion-Forwarding information to USMA Cadets from other New England states

### West Point Society of New England-Wayne White

**Founders' Day Banquet Donation**- Steve Wallingford made a Tequila Basket
-Paula Burke made a restaurant gift certificate basket

Charity Hockey Game Report-Boston Bruins Alumnae vs West Point Hockey alumnae

- Good attendance
- -Benefit for Fisher House Boston-Busiest in the country, and Patton Foundation

**Coins**- new coins have been produced and are being given to life members, in addition to new cadet Candidates

Red Sox Game- August 2015 Golf Tournament- July 2015 Stowe, MA Patton Picnic-Summer 2015

#### **Old Business**

- -Ads in Hockey Program and Howitzer- displayed
- -Firstie Gifts- Coordinated by Kathy and Kathy Ouelette- US Capital Flags and USMA coins
- -WPPC-MA Name Tags-members happy with them- \$ 500 approved for future orders
- -Carpool List-Impact on bus- determined to be not a problem
- -Army Navy Reservations-hotel reservations still available, but filling

#### **New Business**

- -2015-2016 Calendar of Events (W.P. & WPPC-MA)- approved, but subject to changes if needed
- -R Day- June 29' 2015, Kathy Ouelette volunteered to be a table representative for WPPC-MA
- June 21, 2015 Cadet Candidate Reception at Dean Park Shrewsbury, MA 12:00 noon
- July 18, 2015 Cadet Candidate Parents Reception
- WPPC-MA Tailgate September 19, 2015 at South Dock
- \$ 250 approved for Boodle Donation for Matthew Jedras USMA'13 from MA- request by George Jedras

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- Registrar Jim Dalton talks Academics at West Point