

Minutes

Meeting May 27, 2009
called to order at 7.30pm

Those in attendance: Pam Berry, Marcus Louie, Debbie Czyzewski, Anand Arunchalam, Betsy Chuang, Fiona Sadowski, Susannah Vaughan, Dale Jones, Tracey Terrett, Russ Ottey and James Liu

1. Welcome - Debbie

Debbie presented an outline of the meeting and expectations of the board: value and respect each other. Turn in all receipts for approved expenditures.

2. Meeting – First Thursday of the month 7pm in the GLC.

Debbie would like to have monthly executive meetings and 3 association meetings per year. Pam mentioned that Gina from CDC was willing to offer free child care for parent meetings. Suggested topics for Association Meetings (AM) included a parent education presentation on Step-up-to-writing in the Fall. Debbie to work with Tracy Burriss regarding this event. PTA could sponsor this event as the first AM. Also, this year Jim Lovedell (sp?) gave a presentation on Stressed Out Students which was well attended. Other ideas included paralleling the work of the Nimitz SSC regarding bullying, traffic safety and Homework. In a previous year, the Huntington Learning Center gave a presentation on “Parents Survival Guide to Homework” only 30 attended. CFSCPTA also are willing to donate \$ to parent education nights if they can be opened to all PTA units within CFSCPTA.

Action: Debbie will inform office and check out the availability of GLC/other rooms.

3. August Activities - Debbie

– Welcome back Lunch

August 19, 2009 Food offerings were discussed. Fiona motioned to spend some \$ from Teacher Appreciation budget, Pam second. Motion carried.

Action: Debbie will coordinate and will work out a menu.

– Kindergarten Cookie Social

August 19, 2009 The board agreed to run this event again for kinders. Tracey suggested the popcorn machine be pulled out for other children while they wait for class assignments. Other kinder parents could be asked to help.

Action: Debbie and Betsy to organize kinder social.

– Family Picnic

August 28, 2009 5-7pm. This will be a Friday. Previous years have had; band plays and families bring their own picnic; band and light refreshments (fruit, juice boxes and chips) available for purchase; band and full on BBQ available (revenue neutral as BBQ paid for band); DJ, Dancing Teacher, games/crafts and BBQ; Magician/balloon artist and BBQ. Discussion of catering ensued: pizza slices and hotdogs suggested as an alternative to more labor intensive BBQ. Discussion of entertainment included carnival games, field games like sack races/water balloon toss, Russ in the dunk tank, the overhead of volunteers. Fiona motioned to allocate \$500 as a line item for the Family Picnic. Pam second. Motion carried.

Action: meeting closer to August?

4. Budget Requests - Anand

Anand worked with Marcus to create an initial budget for next year. Discussion regarding funds for supplies followed. Debbie highlighted new line items Morning Assembly Coffee and Parent Education. The amount for Teacher Appreciation will be reduced as the cost associated with the prior teacher welcome back lunch was a one time deal. Also, for next year the PTA will go back to paying only 1 day for Angela to teach the primary grades. CEEF will pay for 4th & 5th.

5. Other business

Tracey & Bahrathi have volunteered to take over the copy center. James mentioned new edicts from the district that school websites must be hosted by the district. Not yet for PTA websites.

Action: Debbie is working on filling remaining board member positions and will update the PTA committee listing.

6. Next meeting

It was decided that a meeting should take place prior to the start of school.

Action: Debbie to ask for availability of board and schedule a date.

Meeting adjourned 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted by Susannah Vaughan, Fiona Sadowski, & Debbie Czyzewski