

PTA General Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 6, 2012
Conducted by Veronica Reginato @ Ridgeline Elementary

In attendance: Principal Higgins, Laird Sessions, Veronica Reginato, Andrea Coles, Julie Brinkerhoff, Harmony Saunders, Mary Thomas, Tanya Parke, Heather Crowder, Rhonda Reginato, Stephanie Jones, Amber Werner, Wendy Condie, Alicia Dahl, Rachelle Vaughn, Julie Matern, Theresa Gedris, Lysie Smith, Laura Harris. Excused: Aimee Hudack, Karee Banks.

1. Call to Order: Veronica Reginato at 9:32am
2. Pledge of allegiance and Thought: Mary Thomas
 - a. Our school should be a welcoming place where all children feel safe and welcomed.
3. Smith's presentation: Wes Anderson
 - a. Smith's Reward Program: We get money through Smith's directly to our school
 - b. This is how Smith's gives to the Community.
 - i. Every dollar spent, you get 1% back.
 - ii. When your renewal is up, it will be printed on the bottom of your receipt and you can hand it right back to the cashier and they'll renew it.
 - iii. We can have the PTA be at Smith's ask patrons of Smith's to donate/sign-up and on that Saturday each cashier will have the bar-codes at the cashier.
4. Secretary's Report: Mary Thomas
 - a. Minutes stand approved.
5. Treasurer's Report: Tanya Parke
 - a. Present and approve 2012-2013 Budget
 - i. **Veronica Reginato motioned to approve the 2012-2013**
 1. **Mary Thomas seconded.**
 2. **2012-2012 Budget stands approved**
 - b. Go over reimbursements
 - i. Un-cashed checks
 1. **Mary Thomas motioned to change the standing rules of reimbursement to make the reimbursement checks void after 90 days.**
 2. **Veronica Reginato seconded it.**
 - ii. ALWAYS TALK TO COMMISSIONERS before you spend any money. There is only so much money in each commission and if it's empty, you will not be reimbursed.
 - iii. Make sure you fill out a check request (green piece of paper) DO NOT hand in receipts.
6. Principal's Report: Dr. Higgins
 - a. We added teachers (some at the last minute)
 - b. We have five kindergarten, first, second grader classes and four classes of all the other grades.
 - c. Karee Banks is our Art Teacher! We found funding to supply art for all grades. Yeah!
 - d. Jennifer Coup is our new gym teacher.
 - e. We are up about 50 children in our school from the end of last year.
 - f. 100% teacher PTA
 - g. Marquee is up!
 - h. Aids started on Tuesday. They are funded by Trust Lands Funds.
 - i. Kindergarten Aids will help children before and after Kindergarten to help bring all the children who need some extra help up to grade level.

- i. 2 New Copier thanks to Sherry Schomaker finding extra money that would have returned to the district.
- 7. Teacher Rep Report: Laird Sessions
 - a. Knowledge Bowl: Cut down from \$700 to \$500
 - i. (Dr. Higgins said that the school will help out financially if we need more)
 - ii. PTA also has some funds.
- 8. President's Report: Veronica Reginato
 - a. Year Book: Committee Head?
 - i. We are all willing to help out as PTA Board, but would like someone else to head it up.
 - ii. It's supposed to be really easy to actually put together
 - iii. Anyone who would like to volunteer to help set this up—contact Veronica ASAP!
 - b. Kindergarten Back to School night
 - i. We have a table and need help . . . any volunteers?
 - c. Student Council starting this year in our school for Sixth Graders
 - i. 4-6th grade will be voting
 - ii. Mr. Hjorth and Mr. Shirley will be running this.
 - d. School Carnival: Friday, September 28th 5-8pm
 - i. This is NOT a PTA fundraiser, but will bring the family and community together to have a lovely evening.
 - ii. Wrist \$8 for unlimited rides and \$11 unlimited rides and games
- 9. President-Elect Report: Laura Harris
- 10. VP Reports:
 - a. Harmony Saunders
 - i. Fill out forms that promise that we will not use PTA as leverage to increase your voice.
 - b. Julie Brinkerhoff
 - i. We have 170 members from the Open House Drive
- 11. Commissioners Report
 - a. Community Involvement: Andrea Coles
 - i. Head Room Mom: Kelly Kock
 - 1. Room Mom Tea
 - a. We need everyone to come at 2:15 to get the Room Mom Tea Set-up.
 - ii. SEP Dinners: Mary Mull
 - 1. Call Mary and get dinners set up
 - a. 5:30pm dinner for 60 people.
 - b. Education Commissioner: Julie Matern
 - i. Book Fair
 - 1. We need to contact Room Mom's to make sure people who signed up are contacted and informed about what they need to do to help.
 - ii. Take-home Reading
 - 1. Rhonda Reginato is getting this under way.
 - iii. Reading Program (not doing Jazz Reading)
 - 1. We are in the development stage of what we want to do and what the teachers want to do.
 - c. Family Life: Aimee Hudack
 - i. Dad's and Donuts
 - 1. Tracy Fonger is taking over for Sara Cosis
 - ii. Grandparent's Day

1. Rachelle Sunderlage has things set up but we still might need volunteers.
 2. We have 5 minutes between 20 minutes sessions so all grandparents can get to their grandchildren's classrooms.
 - d. Individual Development: Alicia Dahl
 - i. Reflections: Everything has been sent out.
 - ii. Alicia will talk to smaller groups in the Kivas and be able to adjust the message for grade levels.
 - e. Fundraising Commissioner: Heather Crowder
 - i. Thursday spirit-wear booths for an hour
 - ii. Dominos and other fund raising activities will start in October
 - iii. Lunch with Dr. Higgins will get pushed next week.
 - f. Health and Safety: Karee Banks
 - i. Red Ribbon Week
 - ii. Green Ribbon Week
 12. Comment's or Concerns:
 - a. Wednesday Folders going paperless: We will be discussing this in more detail later
 13. Unfinished business
 14. Adjournment at 10:36am, next meeting on October 4th @ 9:30am at Ridgeline Elementary School
 15. Minutes approved on October 4, 2012 by Mary Thomas, Secretary-
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