

Abernethy PTA Board Meeting

Date: 4/11/2017

Attendees:

Jim Kohler	Shonda Laborde	Jenne Bilbe-Alexander
Amanda DeMoss	Stephanie Hart	Rachel Haas
Kirstin Isaacson	Beth Cavanaugh	Laura Whipple
Rene Hendricks	Leah Woods	Abby Bokman

Agenda:

1) **Call to Order** – 7:08pm, Jim Kohler

2) **Approval of Minutes**

- a) Shonda Laborde makes a **MOTION** to approve the minutes from the last PTA Board meeting, Rachel Haas seconds.

VOTE: The motion passes unanimously.

3) **Officers & Committee Reports**

a) **Finance Committee**

- i) Current P&L statement was distributed (attached). Auction sub categories need to be cleaned up; Spanish is 3k short on income which is a Quickbooks issue. Will need to do a true up entry at end of year to settle out Shopify fees, etc. For next meeting will print out a transaction report. Need to add OBOB income account, we have new expense account.
- ii) Spanish: Shopify payments come to main checking account and then it needs to move to Spanish account because payments for Spanish come from separate Spanish account. Working to smooth out the Shopify piece for Spanish, need a written procedure.

b) **Fun Run**

- i) On track to match last year, but maybe will be a little short.

c) **SKG/GAP**

- i) Chick eggs are in the incubator – 8-9 eggs.
- ii) Plant Sale will probably bring in \$650, plants will be in 5/2 and will need a few volunteers to prepare for pick up.
- iii) Earth Day – art activity in the gazebo, 3-5pm, cook off starts at 6 inside.
- iv) GAP enrollment deadline is May 15 for next year. GAP will accept fewer students next year. Garden will likely be half time during the day and then will teach afterschool with another teacher. Growing Gardens will handle Julie's employment split, our funding will be split between the day and afterschool. We need another GAP coordinator next year.

d) **Chili Cookoff**

- i) Jim will fill in for Laura at the event, Megan will be running it – need volunteers the night of for check in, set up, take down. Barbara in the kitchen will be making the cornbread. Need

more cooks.

e) Spanish

- i) Program began in 2005, had been at Edwards. Started with a parent who carried it for years. Expanded it last year, downsized a little this year to 99 kids. Talking to current parents in program to take over volunteering. But in absence of that have been looking to outside vendors who are running programs at other schools. The downside of using an outside vendor would likely be smaller classes, fewer kids, more expensive – probably close to double the cost. The current committee screens, hires, handles payroll, CUB, etc. 6 wks ago leaders reached out to parents participating in the program to ask for new volunteers to take over. Have only had 2 responses. Committee is 6 volunteers, 2 are leaving entirely, so 4 are willing to continue in some capacity. The Fiesta will be May 18. Would like the incoming group of interested parents/PTA members to make the decision about what to do. Aug/Sept HR work heavy and then a trickle of work, Registration work heavy Aug/Sept, Dec/Jan.

f) Recruitment update

- i) Looked at updated chart and discussed volunteer night scheduling for remaining open positions.

g) Staff update

- i) none

h) Other Committee/Officer updates

- i) none

4) Unfinished Business

- a) Should we have a service coordinator on the PTA Board to coordinate maybe 2 events per year for service?
 - (1) Could advertise it as an open position and then if it doesn't get filled we won't pursue at this time. Someone may be very interested. Could be a family...
 - (2) Let's leave as unfinished business until more 2017-2018 positions are filled.
- b) Need to set the garden curriculum standards: what do we want to accomplish with it, how do we evaluate it? Want to coordinate with Site Council on standards tie in between classroom work and garden. Need to revisit to move this along.
Results: *Not discussed*
- c) Regarding the WPA mural restoration effort: Questions: How would being the fiscal agent for these grants impact our taxes? Who would claim this as income?
Results: *Not discussed*

5) New Business

i) 2017-2018 Calendar

- (1) Community meetings will be 3rd Thu of every month, 2 will be in the am. There is a conflict with curriculum night in Sept., so we need to reschedule Sept- shall we do it the week after?

Leah makes a **MOTION** to move the September 2017 Community Meeting to 9/28, Stephanie Hart seconds.

VOTE: The motion passes unanimously.

ii) Staffing Updates, District News

- (1) We still need registration for Kinder students- 69 enrolled, need 84 for another teacher.

iii) April Community Meeting

- (1) PTA Updates: Fun Run, Recruitment, Other?
- (2) Update from Heather
- (3) State

- (4) DBRAC Update
- (5) Other?

6) Announcements

- a) Volunteer Info Night: 5/4
- b) 5/2? Eb & Bean and Stella Taco fundraiser, like the Pastathon

7) Open Forum

8) Adjournment

Kirsten Isaacson makes a **MOTION** to adjourn, Rene Hendricks seconds.

VOTE: The motion to adjourn passes unanimously. Meeting adjourned 9:10pm.

Highlights denote items requiring follow up at the next meeting.

NOTE: These minutes are provided for review and distribution but have not yet been approved by the board.

Leah Woods
Abernethy PTA Secretary