

# Abernethy Community Meeting

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Date: 5/25/2017

*\*This meeting was not live streamed on the Abernethy Homeroom Facebook page due to technical issues.*

## Agenda:

1) **Call to Order** – 6:09pm, Lisa Delaney

2) **Approval of Minutes**

- a) Beth Cavanaugh makes a **MOTION** to approve the minutes from the last community meeting. Kirsten Isaacson seconds.

**VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously.

3) **Public Comment** – *Community members are welcomed to sign up to speak for up to 2 minutes each regarding issues, questions, concerns, or feedback. [Sign up here](#) or immediately prior to the meeting start time in the auditorium. Public Comment period will last up to 15 minutes.*

4) **Officer & Committee Reports**

a) All

b) Officer Elections for 2017-2018 Service

- i) Co-President: Lisa Delaney makes a **MOTION** to elect Kirsten Isaacson Co-President for 2017-2019. The motion was seconded.

**VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously; Kirsten Isaacson will be Co-President for 2017-2019.

- ii) Vice President: Kirsten Isaacson makes a **MOTION** to elect Carolyn Duran Vice President for 2017-2018. The motion was seconded.

**VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously; Carolyn Duran will be Vice President for 2017-2018 and will succeed to Co-President in 2018-2019.

- iii) Secretary: Lisa Delaney makes a **MOTION** to elect Julia Silverman Secretary for 2017-2018. The motion was seconded.

**VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously; Julia Silverman will be Secretary for 2017.

- iv) Treasurer: Lisa Delaney makes a **MOTION** to elect Craig Stack Treasurer for 2017-2018. The motion was seconded.

**VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously; Craig Stack will be Treasurer for 2017-2018.

- v) Deposits: Lisa Delaney makes a **MOTION** to elect Ericka Morgan and Daniela Krebs Finance: Deposits for 2017-2018. The motion was seconded.

**VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously; Ericka Morgan and Daniela Krebs will be the Deposits team in Finance for 2017-2018.

- vi) Check Writing: Lisa Delaney makes a **MOTION** to elect Leslie O'Connor Finance: Check Writing for 2017-2018. The motion was seconded.

**VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously; Leslie O'Connor will be Check Writer in Finance for 2017-2018.

- vii) eCommerce Manager: Lisa Delaney makes a **MOTION** to elect John Grant eCommerce Manager for 2017-2018. The motion was seconded.

- VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously; John Grant will be eCommerce Manager for 2017-2018.
- viii) Communications Co-Chair: Lisa Delaney makes a **MOTION** to elect Gretchen Kilby Communications Co-Chair for 2017-2018. The motion was seconded.  
**VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously; Gretchen Kilby will be Communications Co-Chair for 2017-2018.
- ix) New Families: Lisa Delaney makes a **MOTION** to elect Helen Rabold New Families Co-Chair for 2017-2018. The motion was seconded.  
**VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously; Helen Rabold will be New Families Co-Chair for 2017-2018.
- x) VIPPS: Lisa Delaney makes a **MOTION** to elect Stephanie Hart and Sara Albert Volunteer Coordinators (VIPPS) for 2017-2018. The motion was seconded.  
**VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously; Stephanie Hart and Sara Albert will be VIPPS for 2017-2018.
- xi) SKG: Lisa Delaney makes a **MOTION** to elect Leah Woods and Brian Richardson School Kitchen Garden Co-Chairs for 2017-2018. The motion was seconded.  
**VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously; Leah Woods and Brian Richardson will be School Kitchen Garden Co-Chairs for 2017-2018.
- xii) Membership: Lisa Delaney makes a **MOTION** to elect Dawn McNeill Membership Chair for 2017-2018. The motion was seconded.  
**VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously; Dawn McNeill will be Membership Chair for 2017-2018.
- xiii) Term starts July 1<sup>st</sup>, please come to board meeting June 12 at Lisa Delaney's house.

## 5) Unfinished Business - N/A

## 6) New Business

- a) School Update from Principal Heather Hull
- i) We have 81 Kinders registered, need at least 84 for additional resources. Lottery just ran, but we think we know who those are and feel 81 is solid. If we don't get those additional students for another class, we're looking at 28 per class.
  - ii) Site Council, Abby Bush is new rep, 1<sup>st</sup> grade parent in Hurner's. Sean Day, Karen Andersen and Mrs. Beutler are the teacher reps on Site Council.
  - iii) Additional FTE has come in from the district. District is funding counseling and library positions. This was announced at the PPS board meeting and then clarified to include: FT Library, 1.5 counseling, .95 PE. So now extra fundraising funds can be used for more K support if we don't reach numbers.
  - iv) ACCESS Academy hasn't posted yet, so Abernethy may do class placement letters a little later since we need to be sure about placements to minimize any disruptions for families by changing assignments.
  - v) PTA funds could help provide a Kinder Ed Assistant; but would still have the split classes at 1/2 and 3/4.
- b) Fully Fund Schools Oregon efforts and update
- i) Purpose of the campaign: To support legislators looking at revamped revenue sources for education and other service funding. Beth Cavanaugh and Leah Woods attended the rally earlier this month to support revenue plan efforts and deliver a letter to legislators from Foundations (including Abernethy) describing the inequities created by the current school

funding model. There is a state rally on 6/6. The bill must be ready by the time the budget is passed before the session ends the first week of July, so things are going to get busy. Contacting people outside PDX and asking them to contact their legislators to shore up support can really help.

## 7) Announcements

8) **Open Forum** – *If you would like to give a presentation to the community, contact [abernethyptasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:abernethyptasecretary@gmail.com) to be added to the Open Forum agenda. Open Forum also allows meeting attendees to ask questions or follow up on items discussed during the course of the meeting.*

- a) Beth Cavanaugh: Courageous Conversations About Race meeting this month included a lot of conversation about the library. Daughter came home with a Katie Woo book today, so thank you for providing books by people of color for our kids.
- b) Leah Woods: We have not yet passed next year's budget and our PTA Standing Rules dictate that we must by June 1<sup>st</sup>. We are very likely not going to be able to do that, so Leah proposed waving that rule so the board can continue work on next year's budget and approve it. Second issue: General membership must also approve the budget before it goes into effect, so we need to have a special community meeting to do so before school is out.  
Jim Kohler made a **MOTION** to wave the rule that the board must present a budget to membership by June 1<sup>st</sup> for this year. Rene Hendricks seconds.  
**VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously.
- c) Jim Kohler will announce the 6/14 Special morning Community Meeting to approve the 2017-2018 budget by June 2<sup>nd</sup> to follow the timeline requirements regarding budget votes in the bylaws.

## 9) Adjournment

Kirsten Isaacson made a **MOTION** to adjourn, Jim Kohler seconded.

**VOTE:** The motion passes unanimously, meeting adjourned 7:10pm.

**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 membership.**

Leah Woods  
Abernethy PTA Secretary