

19, August 2008

Minutes – Carriage Crest PTSA General Board Meeting at Patrice Baber's house
6:30 pm

Called to order at 7:20 by Julie Arndt

Approval of Minutes – hearing no corrections, the minutes from June 3rd are approved as written (7:21)

Financial Report – Maria Knight

- Treasurer's report – Maria Knight: all financial reports were approved at previous board meetings
- No financial review yet / no new budget review

President's Report – Julie Arndt and Lisa Thiel-Sloan

- Introducing Julie Arndt as president – best reached by email: Julie.a.arndt@boeing.com
- Roster – all review and correct
- Committee procedures – changes in packet, especially re: printing. Riso and Kent print shop. Must plan in advance for flyers – 3 to 6 days: Remember to send little reminders to Hallie / Heidi for Yelper – and not sending multiple flyers home to remind for coming events. Yelper will publish each week (with committee entry deadline on Sundays) Yelper will be paper and email and link posted to website. Also using only specific paper colors for PTSA stuff so recognizable. (bright yellow and bright blue) All committee chairs need to email forms to Scott to post on the website. AND – when making hard copies always add 11 and give to Jodi (one for her book and 10 for the form rack). Also – Susanne HAS to have a paper copy 24 hours (or email to jodi the day before and she'll print) Just a little more planning..... ☺
- Welcome back packet – gathering new info to include.

Board of Director's Reports

- MEMBERSHIP: D. Carver – “superstars” / Hollywood / red carpet theme. Kick off at ice cream social. Latte cart reserved....6th grade volunteers to run lattes to teachers.
- PROCUREMENT: E. Couch – new committee this year. So far commitments from bell square the rock pizza AMC theaters - targeting businesses to create themed baskets. Hoping to get 5-6 themed baskets.
- FUNDRAISING: P. Baber – asking for assembly on Sept. 11th in the afternoon and PACE rep. for curriculum night at 6:30
- OUTREACH: J. Horton – two-fold objective: communities w/in our own school, community at large – giving our kids opp. to help others (like children's hospital) also – we adopted a girl at \$30/mo. Can also post her profile her story on the website with a link for program.
- PROGRAMS: H. Knudson – celebrate the arts; veteran's day; math finder van – Pacific Science Center; magic – jump ropes? Money in programs budget for cultural night.
- LEGISLATIVE: J. Horton – nothing new right now. Fed. Way class action suit being reviewed by supreme court. Still defining what “basic education” is.
- HOWLER: Tim isn't here ... but Howler deadline is SEPTEMBER 4TH (coming deadlines on Agenda) Tim will start sending reminders
- COMMUNICATIONS: L. Dabelstein – new committee ~ doing a communication bulletin board at school. Room mom (grade mom) to attend board members to help get info out to parents in grade level. Also: (side) Hallie – standardizing the crate / folder system for teacher and PTSA mail, including delineating youngest and who gets a paper Yelper.
- VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR: N. Bonham / Kristy and Mike Callia – one doing parent volunteers, one for teacher requests.
- WEBSITE: S. Arndt – not here, but just email him if need anything posted (copies of everything for Howler and Yelper so he can update website)

Committee Reports

- STAFF APPRECIATION: L. Iwasaki – feeding staff on Aug. 27th. and two staff app. items per month through the year.
- ICE CREAM SOCIAL: J. Arndt -- Aug. 27th start at 6pm; kindergarteners at 5:45 in the class to bring supplies. PTA set up at 5pm. *include spots from special ed / specialists
- DANCE: first dance in September
- WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL: H. Knudson – “all-in-one form”; packets going home on 9/11; working to get them all back by beginning of October.
- BOX TOPS AND SOUP LABELS: C. Duppenhaler – not too much to report ~ will run it similar to last year, adding welcome packets to kindergarten parents. Rain Forest Café has donated certificates for prizes.
- EMERGENCY PREP: R. Long – not present
- CLOTHING BANK: G. Goodman – our assignment for Kent is the first day of school. Julie Horton will help, and George, his brother... need to find 4-8 volunteers to run it. 5:45 –8:00 pm on September 2nd.
- ART DOCENT: S. Gardiner – Green River CC will train volunteers to teach art in classroom *** need 6 to commit before can do it – right now have 3: Diantha, tina zorer, sue gardiner, so far. funded through PTA. new this year at Carriage Crest – looking to grow bigger next year.

Principal's Report – Susanne Wick

- New kindergarten teacher – Heather Keanne (KR graduate) – this is her first classroom! ½ day kindergarten teacher Heidi Goens. Mrs. Dekeyser is going to work at a Title school. No other teachers transferred. New nurse – Jeannie Smith. 2 days / week, sharing her w/ fairwood elem.
- About 460 enrollment – over projection about 20 kids. If stay over projection – hope to hire another teacher (right now 29 first graders in each room) and 64 6th graders in two classrooms. Won't give her any more teachers until October.
- Carriage Crest WASL scores finally came... we did well in some / not so well in others. There are 7 schools that are in their second year of not making progress, meaning there is a lot of movement w/in district from families moving from those schools. CC went into AYP for special Ed. because they can't take the test. (its messed up, but affects total numbers) Susanne will send out explanations of that.
- “Coffee w/ Coach: Pastry with the Principal” – times to talk about hot topics with parents. First on is on Sept. 26th – Friday morning. half day on the 17th.
- Picture day is Sept. 23rd. volunteer badges then too.
- Goal Setting School: Goals in reading math and writing – technology too. New goal “support of learning environment” Love & Logic training w/in building, and offered for parents. ☺ math will be the major focus this year. There will also be a parent compact portion – section talking about parent involvement expectations
- Teacher assignments – all info will be in the letter. Posted at school this coming Monday in the foyer because of confidentiality laws.... viewable during “school” hours while school is open.

Adjourn – meeting adjourned at 9:09 pm!