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Minutes of ER PTA Board Meeting
September 2, 2010
Meeting conducted at ER Meeting Room 3

Present: Denise Nicholson, Angela Van Lierop, Tamara Dowd, Pam Jackson, Margaret Hughes, Donna Wagner, Maureen Wilson, Kris Held, Amy Cummings, Wendy McNamara, Henmar Vlogman, Linda White, Vicki Duerr, Chantal Hebert, Julie Amer, Mary Mulkins,

Denise called the meeting to order at 9:12 am and announced that we did have a quorum.

Introductions were made. The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed for approval. One correction was determined to be made regarding the VP ability to vote. Henmar proposed approval of minutes with the correction noted. Chantal seconded. Minutes were approved and should be posted on website.

Announcements

- Make sure to register for PTA membership and submit payment via PayPal or submit check for payment
- Discussed a few minor registration details
- PTA training is available Sept. 27 in Bothell for those interested and there is also a PTA and the law class available in Seattle

Treasurer presentation

- Angela reviewed the treasurer report and reminded everyone the fiscal year begins in July
- EScrip continues to bring in money
- Discussed self supported vs. supported funds
- Goal is to keep $5K in checking account, PTA best practices state $10K
- Discussed bank account review process
- Angela proposed motion to expunge outstanding checks from account – Wendy seconded. Motion passed.
- Discussed PayPal issues again. Angela was aware of issues and mentioned there is no fee to us for registering online but a 2.2% fee to user.

Welcome of Mrs. Murphy to meeting. Mrs. Murphy announced the 1st day back to school was successful. The Walk-a-Thon and Curriculum nights are ahead on the schedule. Camp for 5th and 6th graders back on schedule for this year. Principal is looking to PTA as helpful voice in the school community.

Walk-a-Thon

- Chantal in charge and presented plans in place. Jamba Juice decided not to participate this year – approaching other businesses to fill in.
- Discussed possible prizes for donations
- Need group to help chalk the field prior to the start – several volunteers agreed to help complete that task
- Need help to contact businesses for donations
- Discussion to decide on the amount of $$ to suggest as a way to reach total fundraising goal. Decided on $75/child suggested donation and word as "donation" not a requirement and remind that all $$ amounts are appreciated.

Welcome Back night

- Henmar brought attention to the time change from previous years to make clean up easier while still relatively light out.
- Zoo theme with games, crafts, band (mostly ER alumnae)
- The issue of food was discussed. Decided to do mostly snacks to avoid lines as in previous years. Hot dogs, popcorn, chips were suggested.
- Bouncy houses for younger kids
- PTA committees would like to set up tables
- Annual cake walk

Margaret reminded us all that we would need to renew our Safeway cards for EScrip.

Denise discussed general meetings for PTA. Speakers can be booked for meetings and dates should be arranged. Decided to try and keep meetings fairly short and possibly themed to attract more members.

Scholarship availability was discussed. Is there a way to approach distribution for families in need? Mrs. Murphy mentioned that information is sensitive/private and cannot be targeted individually.

Discussed Morning Coffee for new volunteers to be held in Room 3.

Discussed possible sponsorship of Reading Specialist for the school. It is against the rules for PTA to employ anyone.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:27 am.