

Benson Hill Elementary PTA

General Membership Meeting Minutes May 2, 2011

7:00 p.m., Benson Hill Library

Attendees: Amanda Bedsaul, Gypsy Darrow, Judy Diaz, Lisa Edwards, Martha Flemming, Tobi Fox, Allison Martz, Laurie Medsker, Liane Myers, Naomi Onoda, Jenny Schrepfer, Rachelle Weiler. **Quorum was met.**

Call to Order: Allison Martz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Introductions were made.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from April 4, 2011 minutes were reviewed. **Amanda Bedsaul moved to approve the April 4, 2011 minutes. It was seconded and approved.**

Principal's report:

Martha Flemming presented the following information:

- Staff appreciation week: All staff is participating, taking turns treating each other. It works well being the same week as MSP (which is Wednesday through the following Thursday).
- MSP snacks: Volunteers can drop off snacks in the office such as apples, granola bars and cheese crackers.
- Kindergarten round-up is Tuesday May 10 from 4:30 – 5:30. School enrollment has increased by about 20 students.
- Money machine was a success during cookie dough delivery.
- Chuck E Cheese night will be May 19th
- May 26 is the Primary open house for grades 1-3 , BOGO book fair is May 25 – May 27.
- May 27 is a half-day for elementary students and regular early start time.
- June 2 is the Fun Run
- June 9 is the Volunteer Appreciation Reception
- June 10 is the Carnival; Mrs. Flemming will not be able to attend.
- June 16 is the final RIF distribution and Kid Appreciation Day
- June 15 is the field trip to ACME Bowl for Patrol
- Mrs. Flemming thanks Laurie Medsker for the Reading program. PTA discussed motivation challenges.
- Amanda Bedsaul and Mrs. Flemming attended the Friends of Renton school breakfast. PTA contributed \$100. Still waiting for final state budget; PTA encouraged to call legislature to support the house versus the senate budget.
- Mrs. Flemming also thanked Naomi for the cookie dough sale coordination.

President's Report:

Allison Martz presented the following information:

- Newsletter deadline is May 11th.
- Committee chairs should return the Red Folders.

Treasurer's Report: Amanda Bedsaul brought the Treasurer Books, financial records and monthly financial report.

- The PTA reviewed the proposed Budget for the 2011-2012 school year including line item breakdown.
- Renton Superintendent will be on the King 5 "New Day" show on Wednesday or Thursday.
- The PTA reviewed the April Financial report.

Business

Budget: Laurie Medsker moved to approved the 2011-2012 Budget. It was seconded and passed.

Committee Reports

Staff Appreciation: Gypsy Darrow updated the PTA on plans for the week. Monday is massages, Tuesday a luncheon (sign-up sheet for salads), Thursday goodie bags and Friday a continental breakfast.

Carnival: Judy Dias presented the information re: the upcoming carnival. Question was raised on which PTA members would obtain or already have a food server permit. Volunteer sign-up sheet for carnival booths was circulated. There are many community businesses partnering with the carnival this year and they will be advertised on the PTA bulletin board and emails. Volunteers for the booths and cake walk donations are most needed at this time.

Renton PTSA Council: Lisa Edwards provided the update from the most recent Renton PTSA meeting:

- School district budget: cut days or cut programs
- Founders Day Auction was highly attended

Lisa will also be coordinating a dinner party for old and new Executive Committee members.

Cookie Dough: Naomi Onoda updated the PTA on the highly successful sale: 1,706 cookies sold! 91 students got to go in the money machine. May 11th is cookie dough delivery day. Discussion on logistics of delivery day (volunteers and where to store cookies) ensued.

Reading is an Adventure: Laurie Medsker said otter pops were given to participants, the school read 427,000 minutes. Laurie shared what the top classes earned for prizes and discussed incentives/motivation for the older grades.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm

Submitted by: _____
Liane Myers, Secretary