

Meeting called to order at 8:18 a.m. by President Sherri McCulloch.

Those present included President and Valley Communication Chair Sherri McCulloch, Vice President and Eighth Grade Promotion Chair Audra Nuttall, Treasurer and Volunteer Communication Chair Shannon Day, Secretary and Office Fundraising Chair Meghna Mathur, Event Fundraising Chair Libby Hammond, Library Chair Tracey Snyder, Student Recognition Chair Patricia Ogden, Athletics Chair Rick Harford, Staff Appreciation Chair Tami Evans, and Coyote Pride Chair Valeen Palomo. One guest was present.

Guest Comment:

Mrs. Wilber confirmed with the council members about the school keys. She acknowledged VAPO for the trophy case, also conveyed the parents' appreciation. Audra Nuttall was recognized for her work on the trophy case. Mrs. Wilber also thanked VAPO for the Staff Breakfast and for the new school year preparations.

A copy of the New Parent Survival Guide and ice cream order forms were sent to her.

President's Report:

The president Sherri McCulloch informed the council that the Valley Academy Board of Directors meetings were suspended for the Painted Rock start up. September 27, 2012 was confirmed as the next Board of Directors meeting.

The new sun shade behind the office block was appreciated.

Lost and Found volunteer sign-up sheet for each month for each committee was circulated.

The president asked for the 2012-2013 school year fundraising project suggestions. After deliberation a consensus was reached to raise funds for an Audio/Visual Projection System for the MPR. Audra Nuttall motioned and Libby Hammond seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

Shannon Day proposed to amend the bylaws of VAPO and change the VAPO tax return date to October 9, 2012. Audra Nuttall motioned for the changes, Tracey Snyder seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

There were some changes made in the curriculum budget. A general discussion was made on the entire budget for all the committees.

Secretary's Report:

The corrections in the July meeting minutes will be made and will be presented in the next meeting.

Birthday cards for the month of September were circulated.

Upcoming Events:

The president confirmed upcoming events.

Curriculum Nights have been scheduled

Kindergarten	Tuesday, August 28, 2012	6:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m.
1-4 Grade	Wednesday, August 29, 2012	5:30 p.m. -8:00 p.m.
5-8 Grade	Thursday, August 30, 2012	5:30 p.m. -9:00 p.m.

Valeen Palomo will be in charge of used uniform sales in the VAPO room for kindergarten Curriculum Night.

There will be a phone work meeting on August 28, 2012 starting at 8:15 a.m. All the members were asked to participate.

Committee Reports:Special Events

The post of the chairperson still needs to be filled. The council was informed on the progress of the lock down kits

A meeting needs to be scheduled for the Fall Family Fun Night.

Volunteer Communication

The chairperson Shannon Day informed the council that the Gear Up for School Night went smoothly and expressed gratitude to all the members for the help.

Valley Communication

The chairperson Sherri McCulloch informed about the Boo Hoo/Woo Hoo Breakfast. About 30-40 kindergarten parents attended.

Coyote Pride

The chairperson Valeen Palomo informed the council about the progress of ice cream tickets.

The committee raised a total of \$310 from the sales of used uniforms.

Staff Appreciation

The chairperson Tami Evans thanked the member volunteers for the Staff Breakfast. She suggested to change the menu according to the likes of the staff and also mentioned to scale down the menu. A storage problem was noted for the leftover food which will be taken care of. The next event is the Teacher's Dinner on October 25, 2012 between 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Eighth Grade Promotion

The chairperson Audra Nuttall informed about the planning meeting for the upcoming events and that the worksheet will be sent to the president for approval.

Office Fundraising

The chairperson Meghna Mathur informed the council about the Volunteer Box Tops meeting on August 30, 2012. From this year the school will be collecting the Prang Power points and will not be using Tyson points. Follow up alert will be send by the second week.

Cookie Dough sales will begin from August 30, 2012 and the packets will be sent to the teachers by August 29, 2012. To increase the sales the school will use the Go Gos incentive offered by Fiesta Fundraising.

Curriculum

The chairperson Donna Padilla was not present. The council was made aware that every teacher's request for the 2011-2012 school year was met.

Library

The chairperson Tracey Snyder thanked the members for stepping up for her while she was out for medical reasons. She informed about the August 29, 2012 volunteer meeting starting at 8:45 a.m. for the Fall Book Fair.

Athletics

The chairperson Rick Harford reported \$50 sales on the Gear Up for School Night. There is a meeting of the coach on August 22, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. The committee will inform the 5th-8th grade parents about the meetings to be attended. The council was updated about all the fundraising projects of the committee.

Student Recognition

The chairperson Patricia Ogden informed the council that the committee was working fine.

Event Fundraising

The chairperson Libby Hammond informed the council that the Talent Show try outs will be on Tuesday, October 9, 2012 and Wednesday, October 10, 2012. The flyers will be approved by September 1, 2012 and will be put out two weeks prior to the event. About three volunteers will be needed for each day of the try outs.

Next VAPO meeting is scheduled for September 11, 2012 at 8:15 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m. by the president.

The meeting was reconvened at 10:15 a.m. by the president Sherri McCulloch, to address the fund request of the Athletics Committee. The chairperson requested the amount of \$750 for the fundraising project of the Booster Club. Audra Nuttall motioned, Meghna Mathur seconded and the motion carried unanimously among those present.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Meghna Mathur

Valley Academy Parent Organization

Governing Council Secretary