

The Parent Organization of Valley Academy
Meeting Minutes
March 22, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 8:16 a.m. by VAPO President Mrs. T Lund. Those present included Library Chair Mrs. S. Romley, Staff Appreciation Chair Mrs. D. Rangel, Event Fundraising Chair Mr. E. Neuman, Coyote Pride Chair Mrs. L. Watson, Student Recognition Chair Mrs. S. Banjapally, Office Fundraising Chair Mrs. A. Wilson, Guests- Mrs. J. Combs and Mrs. Coleman, Administrators attending: Mrs. Wilber.

Administrator's Report: Mrs. Wilber

Mrs. Wilber reported the following items-

Issues with ice cream freezer was discussed

Alert Now will soon go out to inform everyone that Mrs. Neal is retiring and Mrs. Douthitt will not be returning next school year.

Communication to teachers should be going through the office first

Spring Festival was great, went smoothly, no major issues, thank you to Mr. Neuman and team

She distributed RSVP slips for the Volunteer Dinner

She hoped everyone had a nice spring break

Thank you for all your hard work

New Business

Mrs. Wilson made a motion to approve the books for the recommended reading list. Mrs. Rangel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The poster machine in the work room needs a dedicated computer and a dedicated super user. Mrs. Combs and Mrs. Wilson expressed that they would like to become super users.

Mrs. Lund reported that there is concern from some parents about the amount of fundraising that is conducted by the school. There was discussion about the amount and types of fundraising that could be done and/or eliminated.

President's Report

Mrs. Wilson made a motion to approve Mrs. Combs to replace Mrs. Sanchez as the Eighth Grade Promotion Chair. Mrs. Romley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Please submit information for the newsletter by tomorrow.

The next Board Meeting will be March 31, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at Reid Traditional Office. All VAPO council and parents are welcome to attend.

Secretary's Report: Mrs. L. Watson

January meeting minutes have been corrected and resubmitted. Website is has meeting minutes posted through December 2015.

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. D. Rangel

Subtotal of cash funds for February 2016 was \$52,998.69, Money market \$39,530.68 and checking \$13,468.01. Scholastic dollars total \$5,881.43. Earmarked funds total \$15,000.00. Self contained funds total \$232.68, \$264.97 for Booster club and -\$32.29 for Library. Subtotal of general funds is \$37,766.01.

Total upcoming expenses from current balance is \$250.00 for Spirit Day Ice Cream, \$4,875.00 from the Spring Festival, and \$900.00 from Harkins. The adjusted total from current general funds is \$31,741.01.

Committee Reports:

Curriculum: Mrs. D. McLemore

Chair not in attendance

Volunteer Communications:

Mr. Dabberu has stepped down from this position. Please be on the lookout for someone to fill this committee spot. Mr. Lund has been working on the monthly reports.

Staff Appreciation: Mrs. D. Rangel

The Staff Appreciation Lunch event will be April 5th. She is in need of Panini makers, volunteers, and bacon. She presented a possible staff gift- duffel bag with school logo. May 3rd will be the final staff appreciation meal for the year. Possibly BBQ or Hawaiian food.

Eight Grade Promotion: Mrs. V. Sanchez

Mrs. Combs reported that decorations are currently being worked on for the Eight Grade Promotion. The t-shirts are being printed with an expected delivery date of March 28th. There was discussion of VAPO financing curtains to cover lockers for events to behind stage-approximately \$400. Mrs. Wilson made a motion to approve funds to be provided to Mrs. Combs for curtains. Mr. Neuman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Office Fundraising: Mrs. A. Wilson

Mrs. Wilson reported that the Boosterthon raised \$24,362.10 in pledges. First collection was \$23,548.10. There is \$814.00 outstanding, and \$14,605.36 in profit so far. Mrs. Mettes' class collected the most and will receive \$10 McDonalds gift card for each student. 3rd grade was the grade that collected the most and will receive a pizza party. No class won the 100% participation award. There will be a check coming from Fry's for \$185.87. Box Tops are on schedule.

Special Events: Mrs. K. Libby

Chair not in attendance. Next event will be Family Fun Night.

Athletics: Ms. S. Barry

Chair not in attendance. Mrs. Chapin is taking care of Sports Recognition event.

Student Recognition: Mrs. S. Banjapally

Mrs. Banjapally reported that there were 104 students Caught Being Good in February. Honor Roll ice cream will be given next week. Honor Roll reception planning is on track.

Library: Mrs. S. Romley

Mrs. Romley reported that the next event will be the Spring Book Fair, April 25-29. The theme will be Feeling Groovy- Peace, Love, and Books. She attended a Book Fair Workshop on Wednesday, February 24th.

Event Fundraising: Mr. E. Neuman

Mr. Neuman reported that the Spring Festival went well. Attendance was down slightly from previous years. He had great volunteers, although he could have used more clean up help. Vendor issues discussed.

Coyote Pride: Mrs. L. Watson

Mrs. Watson reported that the Spirit Day went well, despite ice cream freezer issues. She again had all wonderful volunteers. Thank you to Mrs. McLemore and Mrs. Combs for assisting with getting ice cream issues resolved. Spirit Day t-shirts have been delivered, far fewer issues this time.

Valley Communication:

Please submit committee info to Mrs. Lund by tomorrow to be included in VAPO newsletter.

Upcoming Events

Caught Being Good March 24, 2016

School Board Meeting March 31, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

Spirit Day April 8, 2016

The next VAPO meeting will be held on April 12, 2016 at 8:15 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren Watson

Secretary and Coyote Pride Chair

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