

Meeting was called to order at 8:15 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, Library Chair Tracey Snyder, Student Recognition Chair Patricia Ogden, Staff Appreciation Chair Tami Evans, Special Events Chair Hiedi Chapin, Coyote Pride Chair Valeen Palomo, Athletics Chair Rick Harford, and Curriculum Chair Donna Padilla. Three guests were present including Mrs. Wilber.

Guest Comments:

No guest comments were made at this time.

Administrator's Report:

Mrs. Wilber sincerely appreciated and thanked the VAPO members for the hard work all year long.

She also asked the members to return the school keys.

Mrs. Wilber informed to the council that the Board of Directors meeting in the month of April went well and the board discussed the preliminary budget. The next meeting is scheduled for June 6, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. the Reid Traditional Schools Offices.

President's Report:

President Sherri McCulloch urged the members to update any notebooks of their committee and also to add the files with the flyers in the VAPO computer for the next committee chair. She also asked the members to return the VAPO binders to Audra Nuttall by June so as to be prepared for the new council.

Sherri sincerely thanked Mrs. Wilber for providing the school keys to the members as they proved very beneficial for all the members.

New Business:

President Sherri McCulloch explained the process of VAPO elections to the members including nomination and voting procedure.

The members reviewed the submitted nominee forms.

Audra Nuttall nominated JodyKay and Jennifer Brock as the council members for the year 2013-2014. Patricia Ogden seconded the nomination. JodyKay and Jennifer Brock were unanimously voted as the VAPO Council members for the school year 2013-2014.

Tracey Snyder nominated Audra Nuttall as the President of the VAPO council for the year 2013-2014. Tami Evans seconded the nomination. Audra Nuttall was unanimously voted VAPO President.

Patricia Ogden nominated Tami Evans as VAPO Vice President, and Audra Nuttall seconded the nomination. Tami Evans was unanimously voted VAPO Vice President.

Audra Nuttall nominated Meghna Mathur as the VAPO Secretary and JodyKay Combs as the VAPO Treasurer. Tami Evans seconded the nomination. Meghna Mathur was elected as the VAPO Secretary and JodyKay Combs was elected as the VAPO Treasurer.

The president confirmed with the officers their respective committees.

Audra Nuttall, chairperson Valley Communication

Tami Evans, chairperson Staff Appreciation

Meghna Mathur, chairperson Office Fundraising

JodyKay Combs, chairperson Event Fundraising

The other members also confirmed their committees.

Donna Padilla, chairperson Curriculum

Tracey Snyder, chairperson Library

Rick Harford, chairperson Athletics

Hiedi Chapin, chairperson Special Events

Jennifer Brock, chairperson Eighth Grade Promotion

The president welcomed the new members to the VAPO council and congratulated the new council. She also requested the members to help find new parents to fill in the remaining positions, Coyote Pride, Student Recognition, and Volunteer Communication.

Old Business:

Build My Kit Fundraiser:

President Sherri McCulloch informed the council that she is still working with the company and the order forms and the website for the kits will be available soon.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Shannon Day provided the members with their budgets.

Shannon also provided a form to the members to help them make the committee budget for 2013-2014. She explained the budget form and also indicated the column provided for any changes or adjustments.

Secretary's Report:

Secretary Meghna Mathur presented the April meeting minutes for approval. Audra Nuttall motioned for approval of April meeting minutes as presented. Rick Harford seconded the motion. The April meeting minutes were unanimously approved by the members.

Birthday cards for the month of June and July were circulated.

Committee Reports:

Eighth Grade Promotion

The chairperson Audra Nuttall mentioned to the council that the 8th grade dinner and dance went well.

Audra informed the council that on May 21, 2013 there is an 8th grade breakfast from the 8th grade parents in the MPR. There will be a rehearsal followed by lunch at the park. Thursday, May 23, 2013 is the 8th Grade Promotion Night at the North Hills Church and the committee needs volunteers for decoration in the morning hours. Audra also informed that the 8th grade gift to the school is a mascot head, and that the committee has raised the money to cover the total cost of the mascot.

Athletics

The chairperson Rick Harford informed the council that the sports awards ceremony went well. The committee plans on playing the video at Gear Up for School Night.

The committee is working on the bids for the basketball jerseys.

Rick also mentioned that the committee is working with Coach Ray for a fundraiser for the softball T-shirts with a school logo. President Sherri McCulloch thanked and greatly appreciated Rick for the hard work.

Student Recognition

The chairperson Patricia Ogden informed the council that the committee is ready for the Honor Roll Ceremony on May 21, 2013. The awards and trophies were ready. Decoration work is going on, but the committee needs help on the day of the ceremony. A small discussion was held regarding the sound system during the ceremony.

Patricia also informed the council that the last Caught Being Good prize giveaway will be on Thursday, May 23, 2013.

Staff Appreciation

The chairperson Tami Evans thanked all the members for the help during the Staff Appreciation Lunch. She mentioned special appreciation for Donna Padilla for wrapping up the gifts for all the staff members.

Office Fundraising

The chairperson Meghna Mathur informed the council that the committee has received a check of \$39.39 from Box Tops for Education. Label collections wrapped up in May and the top 10 label collecting classes were announced.

Mrs. Freeland's second grade class topped the collection and earned a pizza and an ice cream party.

Mr. Smith's sixth grade class came in second and earned a pizza party.

Mrs. Breshears third grade class came in third and earned an ice cream party.

Meghna also informed to the council that the committee is working on the Cookie Dough fundraiser for the next school year.

Curriculum

The chairperson Donna Padilla informed the council and administration that the committee has enough budget remaining to cover replacements of classroom sets if needed.

Donna informed the council that the committee will be purchasing a weekly newsletter for the sixth graders as requested by Mr. Smith and Mrs. Beisemeyer. It correlates with curriculum, and will be a wonderful tool for teachers and students.

The committee presented a book list for approval. Patricia Ogden motioned for the approval of the May book list as presented. Rick Harford seconded the motion. The book list for the month of May was approved unanimously.

Event Fundraising

JodyKay Combs represented the committee and presented a detailed report on the Spring Festival. She noted that the committee spent more but the income was more too and the net profit from the festival was \$7061.09 before teacher reimbursement for raffle baskets. JodyKay also mentioned that the committee will be working on money saving measures to increase profits.

Special Events

The chairperson Hiedi Chapin announced that the Spring Family Fun Night went very well. She also informed to the council that the band and the choir performances were wonderful. The committee observed that they needed more advertisement for the night

Library

The chairperson Tracey Snyder informed the council that the Spring Book Fair was a success. The committee had total sales of \$9800. The committee observed that having three cash registers was very helpful and the turn-out at the Book Fair was good. Tracey advised that the committee will be taking cash in place of Scholastic money as the Library wanted to purchase books from another source for specific titles.

Coyote Pride

The chairperson Valeen Palomo confirmed that the committee did well this year.

Volunteer Communication

The chairperson Shannon Day confirmed that the committee is working on screening incoming students for first through eighth grade.

Valley Communication

The chairperson Sherri McCulloch worked with the members and the new council for the summer meeting schedule. She also asked the members to work on the summer flyers now.

Sherri also mentioned the VAPO openings. Coyote Pride, Student Recognition, and Volunteer Communication chair positions need to be filled.

The next VAPO meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. in the VAPO room.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 a.m. by the president.

Respectfully submitted

Meghna Mathur

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Governing Council Secretary