

The Parent Organization of Valley Academy

Meeting Minutes

June 9, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m. by President Audra Nuttall.

Those present included President and Valley Communication Chair Audra Nuttall, Vice President and Athletics Chair Hiedi Chapin, Staff Appreciation Chair Lizette Johnson, Event Fundraising Chair Evan Neuman, Coyote Pride Chair Lisa Olsen, and Treasurer and Library Chair JodyKay Combs

By phone: Curriculum Chair Debra McLemore, and Volunteer Communication Prasad Dabberu.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed.

Administrators attending: Mrs. Browne, Assistant Principal

Guest: None

Administrator's Report:

None

President's Report: Mrs. Nuttall

Mrs. Nuttall welcomed everyone to the meeting. She thanked all the committee chair, for a great year and job well done this school year.

New Business: Mrs. Nuttall

Mrs. Nuttall made the motion to approve that we use our funds to purchase a color poster printer for the work room cost of \$3,500 and that we earmark \$15,000 to be used for shade and awnings around the school. Administration will be getting the bids for the shades and awnings. \$7,000 also was set aside for 2015-2016 startup funds. Mrs. Combs motion and Mr. Neuman second, all present were in favor.

Secretary's Report

No secretary was present at this meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Combs

All committees need to send Mrs. Combs their budgets for next year. Curriculum and Library purchased a total of five sets of encyclopedias. One set for each 6th grade classroom and two sets for the library. The Studies Weekly newspaper for 5th and 6th grade price is going up.

Curriculum needs to decide how to adjust the budget for the 2016-2017 school year. These newspapers are ordered and paid for in the spring for the following school year.

- Cash Funds in accounts \$29,065.47
- Scholastic Dollars \$1205.71
- Work room printer \$200.00
- Self-Contained \$1884.13
 - -booster 196.35, Library \$1687.78
- Subtotal General Funds \$26,981.34
 - -of which \$7,000 Start Up cash for 2015-2016 year
 - -\$3,500 for workroom printer
 - -15,000 earmarked for awnings - Administration to obtain bids

Curriculum: Mrs. McLemore

Mrs. McLemore informed members that the Studies Weekly is paid up until the end of next school year so, no changes need to be made at this time. Three sets of encyclopedias were purchased for sixth grade.

Special Event

Member was absent.

Volunteer Communication: Mr. Prasad Dabberu

The Hochhalter Family is the Volunteer of the Year. Valley Communication is purchasing them some kind of thank you gift or gift card. Mr. Dabberu is also going to recognize the top four volunteers with a small thank you gift or gift card. Mr. Dabberu wanted to recognize VAPO members for their many hours. We discuss how we are recognized and decided to focus on the parents at this time.

Staff Appreciation: Mrs. Johnson

Staff Appreciation Committee had a great year with lots of volunteer and happy staff.

Eighth Grade Promotions: Mrs. Brey

Mrs. Brey was not in attendance, but sent in that there was a lot of great feedback on 8th grade promotion and all her hard work.

Office Fundraising: Mrs. Gourgue

Boosterthon made \$17,103.98. This was way above projected earnings! It was a great year. All went smoothly and the kids had fun. Weather was on the hot side and teacher and parents were concerned. Looking at moving the date next year to earlier if allowed.

Library: Mrs. Combs

The Patterson grant is being reviewed for the library. The grant is between \$5,000.00 and \$7,000.00. The library purchased two sets of used encyclopedias.

Athletics: Mrs. Chapin

Great year. We purchased practice jersey for the sports.

Event Fundraising: Mr. Neuman

Next year's theme for spring festival will have something to do with the airplanes, helicopter or space. There is a scout troop that can bring a plane. Will need to talk with Mrs. Wilber for approval. This same scout troop would like to use our M.P.R for their events. This is something to discuss with Valley Administration.

Coyote Pride: Mrs. Olsen

Mrs. Olsen is excited to train our new chairperson Mrs. Watson. Additionally, she will be available to help out throughout the next year.

Student Recognition: Mrs. Lund

Honor Roll went smoothly. We loved the facility that was used. We could use more refreshments next year. The programs were too expensive, and we did not have enough printed. Two hundred were printed, next year it should be four hundred. Mrs. Browne liked the new location. First session was a little noisy during the ceremony due to the audience. Will ask to use same facility next year.

Valley Communication: Mrs. Nuttall

Mrs. Nuttall thanked everyone once again for a great year.

The VAPO members awarded her with a plaque for her six years of volunteering on the VAPO Council.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Chapin

Substitute Secretary, Athletic Chair and Vice President

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