

VAPO, The Parent Organization of Valley Academy
 Governing Council Minutes –September Meeting
 9/11/2018

Meeting called and facilitated by	A. Wilson (President)
Type of Meeting	Monthly
Attendees	D. Rangel (Special Events), JK. Combs (Library), D. Cooper (Treasurer), N. Reed (Coyote Pride), W. Stemmons (Staff Appreciation), W. Hunker (Vice President, Office Fundraising), H. D’Elia (Athletics) Not present N. Critz-Lane
Guests	V. Wilber (Principal) H. Chapin, A. Pierson, A. Maxey, D. Hunker, B. Gebhart, L. McGovern, S. Russell,

Meeting called to order at 8:15 a.m.

Administrator’s Report:

- Student representatives formed a written proposal of ideas for 7th & 8th Grade events. Ice cream social, Booster-fun run races at recess, and dance them ideas for fall dance. Theme ideas included Disney Princess and 50’s sock hop. 7th & 8th graders would like their voice to be heard regarding their events.
- Mrs. Wilber addressed 7th & 8th grade parents at curriculum night regarding the importance to having an 8th grade chair.
- Administration and coaches are looking forward to the Booster and concessions sales utilizing the new concessions area in the gym.
- WE are excited to have our new 7th & 8th Grade Teacher for Literature, Mrs. Rohr.

President’s Report:

- Applications for new council members reviewed. Mrs. Chapin for 8th Grade Promotion and Mrs. Maxey for event Fundraising. Mrs. Combs motioned, Mrs. Rangel second the motion, a unanimous vote in favor.
- Mrs. Pierson submitted an application to take Office Assistance. Mr. Hunker motion with Mrs. Stemmons seconding the motion. A unanimous vote in favor.
- Vote on the budget for every committee, except 8th grade promotion, was held. Motion to approve, Mr. Hunker, with Mr. D’Elia seconding the motion. A unanimous vote in favor.
- Volunteer Database is ready to go and will be handed to Secretary Mrs. Critz-Lane. She will get the information to each committee chair.
- Items that were voted on and passed are earmarked in the Treasurer’s Report.
- Soccer Goals and replacement 6 foot table’s quotes will need to be submitted for consideration.
- Lost and found sign up for council members set around and the empty date should be around the first of the month. However, this month it will be for August and September around the 15th.
- Reminder, no sharpies are to be out in the VAPO room.
- August meeting minutes motioned to approve by Will Hunker and seconded by Harry D’Elia. All approved.
- The VAPO council picture is Wednesday, September 19th at 8:00 a.m.

- Directly following that, council members will move Spring Festival and stuff out of play room and into storage unit.
- The council members who need a safe code are to stay after the meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

- \$ 33,155.57 in bank. Earmarked funds are \$18,500.00 for Team bench, silver bleachers, MPR Audio Equipment, Basketball poll covers, History Bee Finalist travel expenses, VAPO Conference table, Coach Pay supplement, boys and girls basketball uniforms.
- Self-Contained Funds: Booster Club \$264.97 and Library Funds \$3880.05
- Before Next meeting upcoming expenses: Spirit Day Ice Cream, Sprit Day shirts, Caught Being Good x2, 8th Grade Car wash, and the 7/8 grade dance.

Secretary's Report:

- No report

Committee Reports

Library: Enchanted Forrest Book Fair will start October 18th – October 25th. Set up will be after school October 18th on the ½ day. Previews will start the half day morning of the 19th. There is no School on Monday the 22nd. Previews will continue on Tuesday the 23rd. Book fair will close on Thursday, at 8:00 p.m. after family fun night. Tear down will happened Friday to allow for student to claim prizes from book fair during the morning. Also Teacher Breakfast will be on the Tuesday morning instead of the Friday due to parent teacher conferences.

Library/Curriculum Chair is looking to train someone this year on how to run a Scholastic Book Fair. This a great opportunity for someone interested in working with the students to learn to love to read, reading and getting books approved, or to work with our Librarian. This year the chair is unable to attend Family Fun night due to other commitments in education. Therefore, there is a big need for people to step up and cover the event.

Coyote Pride: Spirit Day T-Shirts should be here and delivered by the next spirit day. However, there were several late orders that did not make the processing. Unsure if the late orders can be filled or if they have to wait till the next order.

Ice cream price changes and other sanitary issues required Root beer Float pops and Ice Cream Sandwiches to no longer be available. However, we have more quantity of each flavor, so we shouldn't run out of a popular flavor, as was the case in the past.

Staff Appreciation: 1st Dinner is October 17th for Parent Teacher Conferences. It will be a baked potato and salad bar. Volunteers needed to run the event since Chair has a prior commitment to attend.

Special Events: Caught being good is today. Stuffed Animal prizes were found in the storage room and gleaned for Caught being good. The new system seems to be working well.

The ice cream social idea is something they would like to do for Family Fun Night in the fall. Discussion regarding having the games, playground and food trucks outside. Playground would be for parents to monitor and a maintenance request will be need to ensure the sprinklers don't turn on that evening.

Office Fundraising: Council Members are needed to stay after the meeting today and come in tomorrow to count. Note for next year, to have parents return packets even if they are empty due to VAPO being charged for each packet not returned. Possible idea proposed to give the packet to youngest student in a family. The dates

regarding the fundraiser were in mixed up due to the calendar from last year. The actual distribution day is Monday, October 17th. Volunteers needed to help.

Event Fundraising: New Chair Mrs. Maxey voted on to the council. Mrs. Combs and Mrs. Maxey moved a large portion of dangerous items that are prone to falling down and other items to the storage unit. A day where all members can help move the rest to storage is needed. Mrs. Rangel and Mrs. Reed tried to come in one day but were overwhelmed. The work is way too much for two people to do alone. A key was needed as well. It was decided that all members will work post the VAPO council picture; bring a change of clothes.

Athletics: Will need help with volunteers to run concessions a sign up genius will be created. Gathering ideas for Booster sale items.

Turkey Trot Schedule has to be tight in order to run on time and get everyone through. The council would like to have Kona ice come back. Last year we earned a free event. Mrs. Combs will speak to them and see if VAPO can purchase for all students. Mrs. McGovern has volunteered to set up the schedule for Turkey trot.

8th Grade Promotion: New Chair Mrs. Chapin voted on to the council and has committed to remaining the chair for 2 years. Mrs. McGovern is assisting. The drop box of all things 8th grade will be shared with them. Hiedi states there are a good group of parents that committed to helping Mrs. Chapin and Mrs. McGovern this year.

Office Assistance: New Chair Mrs. A. Pierson voted on to the council.

Valley Communication: Please submit your picture or spirit animal with your write up to Mrs.Critz-Lane. Get your newsletter articles submitted as well.

Next meeting is October 9th, 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JodyKay Combs

Library Curriculum Chair

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