



Board Members present: Molly Hayworth, Somya Bergman Charlotte Vrba, Dawn Scheck Deb Rempert, Marcie Mefford, Nancy Kerr, Jan Wright, Deb Nielsen

Board Members absent: Laura Milhousen, Kim Ambrose, Sue Sokolinski

PTO members:

Meeting called to order at 6:35pm.

Secretary-D.Scheck

- Deb Rempert motioned for the February board meeting minutes to be approved. Somya Bergman seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Ways & Means-D.Rempert

- Trivia Night, Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>: a poster has been created. We have a date, time and details.
- Clothing Resale
  - As of today, 80 sellers are signed up.
  - They are going to have more items
  - They don't have anyone for replacements/training for next year yet.
  - They need board members to volunteer.
  - They are going to purchase another scanning gun to make a total of 3 scanning guns.
  - WATCHDOGS will help with setup and takedown
  - They are going to update the signs for the fall sale.
- Movie Night
  - April 25<sup>th</sup> but we don't have a title picked. It may be Frozen.
  - There will be no movie night in March or May.
- Renee's Garden contacted us about fundraising.
  - They are an on-line organic seed company
  - They would give 25% of total order value.
  - This would be year round.
  - Possibly try for next school year.
- Funway Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports (PBIS) Skate Night, Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm.
  - Flyers will be going out tomorrow as well as an electronic flyer.
  - We need 75-100 kids to show. If there is less, then we have to pay the difference.
- Batavia Inter-school Council (BIC)
  - Brad Newkirk was the guest speaker and reviewed the 2015-16 calendar. Adjustments were made to have the high school trimester end prior to winter break.
  - The school board wants to better educate parents to understand snow days better.
  - Discipline policies are being reviewed regarding prescription medications primarily at the middle school and high school.
  - Common Core Math changes will be occurring within the next 18 months.



- An entire change to Common Core is anticipated in the 2015-16 school year.
- The district is at least 2 years out from textbooks for teachers.
- Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) assessments are to occur next spring (2015). This is to take place of the ISAT.
- Allison Blaetz, youth services librarian from the Batavia Public Library, discussed the difference between the book rating groups, Lexile and Accelerated Reader (AR). The Lexile score is based off of word frequency and sentence strength in a book while the AR score is based off the number of words in a book. Databases and websites are available to understand book scores.
- Various schools gave reports
  - J.B. Nelson FunFair: \$8 wristbands presale, \$10 at the door.
  - J.B. Nelson seems to be doing less fundraising and more with community.
  - J.B. Nelson will be doing a talent show with 25 acts and students will work as the stage crew.
  - J.B. Nelson is working with a mulch company for their flower sale.
  - Grace McWayne had their skate night already
  - Hoover Wood votes on which movie will be shown at their movie nights. Their last event generated \$500.
  - Hoover Wood had their principal act as maître d' during their Pal Joey's dine around.
  - Hoover Wood will be having a spirit wear fashion show to promote the items.
  - H.C. Storm performs an after school enrichment program lead by the parents. It is one hour long and based on parents' talents. Classes consist of 10-15 students and are held for four consecutive Tuesdays.
- Next BIC meeting is April 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### Treasurer-C.Vrba

- We reviewed the latest report
- FunFair produced approximately \$9593.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> VP- K.Ambrose

No Report

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> VP-S.Bergman

- The committee will be meeting on Tuesday, March 25<sup>th</sup> to discuss special appropriations.
- Applications for special appropriations are due March 21<sup>st</sup>.

#### President-M.Haworth

- There were two open positions for next year's board and we have nominees.
  - Treasurer: Amanda Davis and possibly Andy Mareska to be an assistant.
  - First Vice President: Jen Meiring
- The board decided to change the General PTO meeting from this Thursday, March 13 to Monday, March 24<sup>th</sup>.



- We reviewed an email with various suggestions to update our bylaws. After some review, the board decided each member should review these on her own and we could discuss at the next meeting. The email stated is attached at the end of the minutes.

Principal-J.Wright  
No Report

Communications-M.Mefford  
No Report

Classroom Support-N.Kerr

- Teacher Appreciation week planning meeting will be March 27<sup>th</sup> at Panera Bread, 9am.
  - Pencil sharpeners for every classroom is a great idea but may not be appropriate for ECC classrooms.
- FunFair
  - We had a good turn out
  - We had some glitches.
  - We received a lot of positive feedback
  - We had about 10 complaints and the committee will review.
  - See Nancy for the full report.

Teacher Liaison-S.Sokolinski, D.Nielsen  
No Report

Round Table  
No discussion

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Dawn Scheck



Kim Ambrose <kimambrose@comcast.net>  
at 12:55 PM  
To: Molly Addis-Haworth  
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Sun, Mar 9, 2014

Sorry, this may be long:

#### Article V

3. Change board terms? one year running from May 1-April 31?

5. Leave this? make it automatically?

#### Article VI

b. What is the goal setting committee?

for our school PTO should officers info state specifics? example under 1st VP should it list gallop?

yearbook? etc...

this would go for all specific positions listed then.

4. Secretary; WHO takes minutes when he/she is absent from a meeting??

5. Treasurer

i. has the treasurer known that they were always suppose to be a non voting member of the finance committee?

6. Director of Communications; let's add social media, change wording from Newsletter to Gazette etc...

what is Membership Committee-is that the directory?

11. Records? a copy will be on file at the school?? Not. People do need to keep some sort of record to pass along though.

#### Article VII

1. Maybe move January to December, to come up with a Nominating Committee?

Remind that 1st VP and

2nd VP will be also part of naming one person for this committee going forward.

2-6 need to be tweaked a bit; if this particular in regards to time frame etc... what do we do if we cannot find

anyone for a position? These items are VERY specific it really just needs to say that all nominations are

taken up until the close of the General Meeting in March (or April if we decide to change the terms)

Again, what do we do if we do not find someone?

#### Article VIII

1. Standing Committees; to serve one year terms? Change that to TWO years maximum.

We should reevaluate the listing of the committees:

a. What is the Goal setting committee??

b. Do we have a teacher on the Finance Committee?



- c. Do we have a Publicity Committee? Going forward I'd like to see the Board to have ONE Publicity person for all events:))
- d. Newsletter Committee??
- e. Membership Committee??
- f. Budget Committee??