

Briarlake Elementary School Summer PTA Meeting Minutes

Home of Leigh Harris

Meeting Date: July 14, 2010

Meeting Start Time: 6:00 PM

PTA Officers 2010-2011

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| Co-Presidents: | Vanessa Erens and Laurie Hobbs |
| Vice Presidents of Programs: | Heidi Carpenter and Elesha Mavrommatis |
| Vice Presidents of Fund Raising: | Michelle Lindner and Pat Schaefer |
| Treasurer: | Heather Leahy |
| Secretary: | Trish McElfresh |

Call to order: 6:42

In Attendance: 30 members

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| Beule, Michelle | Hobbs, Laurie | Pierson, Melanie |
| Blackmore, Whitney | Kirsch, Amy | Pilcher, Angela |
| Byrne, Stephanie | Kramer, Christy | Rigby, Sarah |
| Carpenter, Ryan Blake | Johnson, Tonya | Ritter, Caroline |
| Cook, Sarah | Leahy, Heather | Seufert, Irene |
| David, Randy | Lindner, Michelle | Smith, Alexi |
| Decker, Michelle | Mavrommatis, Elesha | Spivak, Lisa |
| Erens, Vanessa | McElfresh, Trish | Van Horn, Chuck |
| Fitts, Paige | Neal, Mary Margaret | Vogue, Stacy |
| Harris, Leigh | Owen, Jennifer | Weiss, Deb |

Principal's Report Dr. Culbreath not present

Co-Presidents' Report: Laurie Hobbs and Vanessa Erens

- CRCT surpassed expectations
- Going Green successful last year
- Teacher committee requests streamlined through home room teacher
- Open house THURSDAY, not wed set up 8/4.
 - Volunteers needed. A-L am, M-Z pm
 - Volunteers to sell spirit wear. Green short sleeve \$10, white long sleeve \$12, embroidered polo shirts \$16
 - Greeters needed for open house, can break up volunteer times
 - Babysitting for PTA volunteers to be donated by us, consider pitching in \$ for babysitter
- Seven teacher furlough days. Lost 2 paraprofessionals, and **media clerk** (1 rehire for special needs)
- New parent 7/30 6pm cafeteria.
- Weekly e=blast going out on Wednesdays
- 3 off site PTA meetings/parties, mix business with recreation
- Class parties: less is more, rules of class dues, do not put too many rules/restrictions upon classroom
- New Updated PTA registration form. Family activities ideas for fun family night.
- Consider extra monies in the family activity line item, pending approval by vote.

Fundraiser VP's Report: Michelle Lindner and Pat Schaefer

- Fundraiser will be Great **American**, magazines, flower bulbs, jewelry, photographs on canvas, chocolates etc. 50% proceeds to PTA (same as sally). Theme rubber ducks this year.

Programs VP's Report: Heidi Carpenter and Elisha Mavrommatis

- September 14, 2010 ice cream social more to come

Treasurer's Report: Heather Leahy,

- Treasurer report. See attachment New this year accountable persons per line item. Expense reimbursement through accountable person becomes more streamlined. New expense reimbursement form. Expect to submit requests 4 weeks after event. New guidelines for submission of requests. New drawer for submission in main office.
- Approval of proposed 2010-2011 budget.

Secretary's Report: Trish McElfresh

- The April 20, 2010 PTA minutes approved.

Committee Reports:

- Gala Committee: Expenses kept low. Initial numbers indicate approximately \$19,200 came in and after expenses the net profit was approximately \$15,700.
- Playground and Healthy Habits Sarah Cook. PTA raised \$43,000. Components shipped 7/19. Key to lock at field gate obtained. Thank you for all committee members and donors.
- Campus workday
- Field Day
- Safe Routes to School Randy David: Umbrella program from congress. Goal to walk to school. Exercise for kids, fight childhood obesity, better behavior, more successful academic day, exercise good for adults, clean air, reduce traffic, gas prices, and quality time with children, meet new people, and create culture of walking. Not "carpool" any longer. Skip "drive through" line. Distribution of maps, "Briarlake Walks" to school and/or home, rules/educate, ride share information. Need help. Need committee. Need incentives.... Erasers silly bands.
- Yearbook: Vanessa Erens and Carol Davis. New company called Tree ring this year cost \$25 for 56 pages. Collages, company, plants a tree for every yearbook sold. No minimum sales.
- Fall festival Angela Pilcher, October 16, 2010. VOLUNTEER, preplanning, huge event.

Unfinished Business

- There was no unfinished business.

New Business

- Edukalb Chamber of Commerce program not for profit, dollars driven. Investment Dekalb county. Many seats open for board of education this year and next, awareness of responsibilities and what makes a good candidate. Civic, business, education members. Allison Verts will be invited to speak at PTA meeting.
- Briarlake Foundation (BLF): private institution. Same goals of PTA, but able to do more. It will be the bank of the PTA. Contact alumni. Need \$1000 application fee from PTA is in proposed budget as onetime expense only. Foundations can be grouped to pursue large grants aimed at larger foundations that the BLF could not pursue alone.
- Foundation for Hospital Art (FFHA) discussion led by Christy Kramer. Website. Mission to quest for donating of painting to every hospital on earth. Bring families together and give back. Send canvas and paint etc. Have a family night. PTA pays for it in the budget, but no cost at the time of activity. "Give back" to the community.
- Approved \$700 for Hospital Art fund.

Adjourned 8:40pm