

**TUCKAHOE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
PTA BOARD MEETING MINUTES
May 2, 2011**

OPENING

PTA President-Elect, Meg Bryant, called the PTA Board Meeting to order at 7:06pm. There were approximately 20 people in attendance.

MINUTES

Minutes of the April 2011 meeting were reviewed and approved and will be posted on the PTA website.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

A. PRESIDENT ELECT'S REPORT – Meg Bryant

Plan have been made for the Ice Cream social on Thursday, May 19th – please come!

B. CORRESPONDING SECRETARY – Christy Holstenr.

Secretaries week this week --- secretaries got gifts right before Spring break. Dinners for 2 families with dads in Afghanistan have been organized through care calendar – working very well. Will send out a reminder through Suzie.

C. TREASURER'S REPORT – Tracie Gillenwater

Big news is that it looks like Spring Fling brought in \$11,000 (\$3000 over budget). Please remember to get expenses in and please cash any reimbursement checks before June 30th!

D. PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Suzie Hendricks

This is our busy busy busy season!

Several events since we last met --- Drama club performances,

Kindergarten registration, Chick-Fil-A Spirit night, Science Fair, Spring Fling. This week is Teacher Appreciation Week. Coming up: Spirit Night at Flinns on 5/9, Field Day 5/13, Book Fair/Ice Cream Social 5/19, 5th Grade Musical June 13-14, (proceeds fund Freeman/TES scholarships), 5th grade celebration, June 6th board meeting (installation of new officers and transition meeting afterwards so please get notebooks ready and year end reports to Suzie). June 9th will be the Chair/Co-chair year end celebration.

Nancy Volante was chosen at the PTA volunteer of the year.

Suzie and Meg heard Dr. Russo speak at a Henrico County Council meeting: Main topic was the budget. They are working on transportation issues, stressing “critical thinking skills” and making better nutritional choices.

E. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – (Cindy Patterson)

Thank you of support of teachers' this week.

Jeremy Seward was chosen Teacher of the Year (pier nomination) – and will be recognized at a reception at Glen Allen High School
Volunteer breakfast will be held on Wed. 5/11 – invitation to go out to connect ed.

Students and staff are heading into end of school testing.

Ms, Hammond – special education assistant – had a baby.

Continuing to look forward to end of construction project (3rd grade classrooms) – right on schedule or a little ahead (2-weeks doing a punch list). Have additional funds left over for renovations in the tin building (adding bathrooms), adding central heat and air in auditorium. New field is included in landscaping budget.

Working with an Eagle Scout who is going to do a shade/awning for the courtyard as one of his projects (will be done in the summer).

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Book Fair – Claire Newton

Flyer has been done and packet from vendor has been received.

Scheduling volunteers now (no shortage yet). Book Fair will be open from 7:00-7:30 on Wed. morning for teachers to shop.

Community Service / SCA - (Meg Bryant for Julie Flournoy)

The last Spirit Night for this year will be held on May 9th at Flinns.

Drama Club – (Meg Bryant for Mary Neary)

Performances were a great success! Cast party is May 16th at Meg's house.

Field Day – Leeann Neely

May 13th – rain or shine! T-shirts went home today. Volunteers still needed for 19 afternoon slots. Info will go out through room parents tomorrow.

Fifth Grade Celebration - (Meg Bryant for the committee)

Plans are well under way and under control.

Fifth Grade Musical – (Meg Bryant for the committee)

Committee is meeting with Casey Bradley on Thursday – good shape.

Lego Robotics – Meg Bryant

Flyer went out in backpacks today. Getting interest. Chris Cotropia is willing to head it up.

Science Fair – Nancy Volante

Event was a lot of fun. 156 projects were presented. Prizes were donated. Great volunteers – thank you. Cindy Patterson commented that it was fun to hear the kids talking about their projects throughout the school day.

Spring Fling - (Meg Bryant for Katie Harlow and Sue Proffitt)

Even was a huge success – the weather was beautiful and everyone had a great time.

Spirit Wear - Diana Alger

Indian head stickers are still selling like crazy. Spirit wear was sold at Spring Fling with great success. The \$5 bins were a big hit!

Teacher Appreciation - Karen Phillips

A lot of events are planned for the week:

Monday – sidewalks will be decorated with chalk messages and teachers will be treated to breakfast.

Tuesday - Cindy is hosting a luncheon and PTA is providing chair massages.

Wednesday - Bagels, juice and coffee provided and take-home dinners will be distributed.

Thursday kids bring in flowers and a letter to their teachers and Dr. Russo will be sending a cake.

Friday – PTA is providing a catered luncheon.

All teachers will get the Entertainment Coupon book and a \$25 Target gift card. Also, names will be pulled from a hat throughout the week for gift cards that have been donated by either local businesses or parents.

Volunteer Coordinator - Ashley Stalker

Volunteers are being secured to cover classrooms so that teacher's can get chair massages.

Website – Meg Bryant

Gordon Saunders will be working on the website for another year and will have 2 folks working with him

G. New Business

Two staff members are retiring this year: Mrs. Traynham (her class is doing something special for her and the PTA will give her a gift), and Mrs. Osborne (who doesn't want any special attention but Suzie will be working with parents to ask them to write a note if they have something special to share -- info will go in backpacks).

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm.

Respectfully Submitted
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