

PTA MINUTES

Oakcrest Elementary PTA Board Meeting
Thursday, July 10, 2008 5:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Aaron Larson
Julie Baird
Amanda Hamblin
Rebecca Hammond
Leo McCormick
Bethany Blackham
Holly Winn
Jennifer Higley
Amie Crawford
Sara Gunderson
Norm Emerson
Rebecca Bibo
Bobbie Evans
Pat Buske

Treasurer's Report: Given by: Julie Baird

- Total Checking Account: \$30,657.73. Total Income: \$0.0. Total Expenses Oakcrest: \$2,793.43. Falcon Ridge Elementary PTA Expenses: \$650.72. Ending checking account balance: \$27,213.58. Kristine also let everyone know that they needed to turn in their receipts for reimbursement no later than June 27th. We need to close our books on June 30. All receipts after that date will have to go to the next year's treasurer.
- Kristine motioned that Trista Bytheway audit the PTA Financial Records for the 2007-2008 school year. Becky seconded that motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Principal's Report: Given by: Mrs. Leavitt

- CRT testing is going on now. The Kindergarten Orientation was successful and well attended. Melody will be having their program this Thursday night so come and support them. On Friday the 6th grade will be coming to Oakcrest all day to have their Country Fair activity.

Teacher's Report: Given by: Mrs. Gudjenova

- The teachers wanted to express their thanks for the amazing Teacher Appreciation activities last month. The teachers weren't in a position to put on a big thank you spread like the one we gave them, but Mrs. Gudjenova wanted everyone to know how much the teachers appreciated everything. Can't say thank you enough.
- Would like to get the Field Day information to the teachers as soon as possible so that they can be prepared for those activities.
- Thought the awards ceremony was so fun! She now has the nickname "Spongebabe". Just a suggestion that it might be fun in the future to include a little spotlight on all the teachers and a few of the activities they might have going on. Teachers really appreciate all the time and effort that parents invest in their children's school. Even more than the gifts that they might receive.

President's Report: Given by: Camille Hendricks

- Camille highlighted the upcoming calendar events:

May 22 - Melody Choir Program 7:00 p.m. at Oakcrest

May 27 - Spring Carnival 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Oakcrest

June 3 - A Track Field Day

June 4 - Soaring Eagle Awards for A Track at 3:00 p.m..

June 6 - Last day of school for A Track.

June 11 - Post Convention Training

June 13 - Names due for Soaring Eagle for B/C/D track.

June 23 - 6th Grade Field Day for B/C/D Tracks at Sunset Ridge.

June 24 - B and C Track K-5 Field Day.

June 25 - D Track Field Day.

June 26 - Soaring Eagle Awards B/C/D Track at 3:00 p.m.

July 1 - Last day of school for B/C/D

- Camille noted that she was in charge of the Field day dates for B/C and D tracks. Any volunteer help will be appreciated.
- PTA State Convention was fun and we had a great turnout. If you were unable to attend, please go to the post-convention training at Eastmont Middle school on June 11 at 9:30 a.m. Camille is a presenter at this event.

President-Elect Oakcrest Succession Leadership Training: Given by: Aaron Larson

- Aaron provided a presentation regarding the importance of leadership. We are all leaders in the PTA no matter what commission we may hold. Aaron passed around handouts that talked about styles of leadership as well as practical ways to engage and motivate volunteers and what all volunteers need.
- Aaron also discussed putting together a procedure book. This will entail filling out forms for each activity the PTA conducts. This will include funds budgeted and expended, the number of volunteers needed, copies, grades involved, food and contacts. This will help future PTA members access and plan activities.

President-Elect Falcon Ridge Succession Leadership Training: Given by: Becky Hutchins

- Becky discussed the importance of expectations and communication. It's important for each board member to know what the expectations of their commission are. They cannot function as board members if they do not know what is expected of them. It is also important for each member of the board to communicate with each other. This is so important to help prevent little problems from becoming big problems. Both PTA Presidents welcome and encourage any and all forms of communication. We can't help fix problems if we don't know about them.

At this point everyone took the opportunity to introduce themselves and which commission they held currently and which one they would hold next year. The rest of the meeting was held in an open format where each of the commissioners spent time individually discussing events and training for next year.

Meeting Adjourned.

Falcon Ridge Elementary Board/Calendaring Meeting will be held Tuesday, May 27th at

9:30 a.m. at Oakcrest Elementary.

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Minutes Approved: _____

Secretary: _____

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