

COLLEGE GARDENS PTA MEETING

December 7, 2010

Minutes

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

II. REPORT OF OFFICERS

Treasurer's Report

- Ron Hays gave the Treasurer's Report.
- Presented the Budget.
- Best book fair ever!
 - Gave lots of books to students.
- Motion to adopt Treasurer's Report
- Seconded.
- Passed.

President's Report

- Breakfast was a success.
- February Family Fun Night needs a chair person.
 - February 25, 2011
- No general meeting in January
- In January: operating budget comes out. Forms available at BOE building. We will see cuts in the budget.

Membership Report

- No report

Communications Report

- Jen Green gave the communications report.
- 20 families dropped out of receiving Flash
- Flyers for “for profit” groups may only submit 4 times per year
 - Must submit the flyers electronically for posting on website on Tuesday’s by noon.
- Need to train the next communication person

MCCPTA Report

- Alice Alexander gave the MCCPTA report.
- The MCCPTA is discussing the Math Curriculum
- Meeting on November 9, 2010 for Math Curriculum review
- In depth inquiry
- Implement K-1st next year
- 2nd – 5th – not determined
- Slow roll out
- Designed to develop concepts based on basis of deeper knowledge
- “Elementary Integrated curriculum”

- Multiple elementary schools are piloting the program
- Questions were asked from the general membership regarding the impact of math curriculum and roll out.
 - Mr. Ewald addressed questions

Principal's Report

- Mr. Ewald gave the Principal's Report
- Principal Chat occurred from 6:30 to 7 p.m.
- Mr. Dushel gave a report for IP/PYP Evaluation Visit
 - Interviewed parents as part of the evaluation process
 - 3 year evaluation period
 - IB report due in Mid-Feb
 - Spent 1.5 years preparing for the IB evaluation visit
 - Very successful
- Winter Weather:
 - Closing schools is very involved process.
 - Once the decision is made, it is communicated to a variety of sources to ensure the population receives notice
 - ConnectEd—can sign up
 - If there is a delayed opening, opens at 11:15 am. Lunch served.
 - Early dismissal decision is made by 11 am. All students are fed before they go home. Early dismissal occurs at 12:55 p.m.

- Check the Flash
 - Power outages are also communicated through the Connect Ed
- Wednesday, December , 2010 at 3:47 P.M. will receive the monthly test message
- December 15, 2010, Superintendent Operating Budget Meeting at Richard Montgomery HS at 7 p.m.
 - Wear CGES clothing
- Mr. Ewald presented a power point presentation
- Portables:
 - 2 are open
 - Warm, not cleared for students
 - Key swipe door installed
- BOE is taking vote to overrule the MCPS. Contact City of Rockville for Fire Marshall inspection

III. Committee Reports

- None.

IV. New Business

- None.

V. Old Business

- 5th Grade Lunch

- At last PTA meeting, was requested to go back to parents to try to get additional information related to request.
- Parents continue to seek reimbursement.
- Discussion ensued.
- A motion to reimburse the remaining funds that were not reimbursed by the 5th grade parents was made.
- **The motion was seconded.**
- **The motion passed.**
- The Idea of the Listserv
 - Mr. Ewald has participated on Listserv at his former school.
 - Has a lot of applications
 - Requires one primary contact to be moderator
- BOE voted and invited to participate in the RM #5 ES for planning and feasibility
 - Selecting Architect as part of feasibility study. Jen Green CGES rep. to attend.
 - All community members participate in designing phase with architect to determine school
 - Julius West current students to participate in feasibility study

VI. Adjournment

- Motion: A motion was made from the floor to adjourn, which was seconded. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.