

Snoqualmie Valley PTSA Council 2.18
~ Board Meeting Minutes ~
April 15, 2009, North Bend Library

Proper notice was given to all members. A list of those in attendance follows.
A quorum was present.

Present: Ahn Lee Horn, Beth Burrows, Laurie Edwards (Treas '09), Cathy Renner, Lori Cobb, Alice Romano, Sue Korol, and Liz Piekarczyk

Absent: None.

Inspiration: We are people of all ages improving the education, safety, and health of our children. March issue of "The Child Advocate" has been posted. http://www.wastatepta.org/programs/child_advocate.htm

I. Approval of Minutes (Sue)

- A. 3/11/09 board meeting minutes were read and approved.

II. Correction of Minutes

- A. No corrections noted to above.

III. Treasurer's Report and website updates (Alice)

A. Budget Report for April, 2009

1. Liability insurance premium paid out.
2. Service fees in budget are going up .25 next year.
3. Each unit PTSA budget will need to be reviewed with the supported school principal, this is a reminder for the upcoming General Meeting.

B. Projected Budget for 2009-2010 -- \$1305.00

1. **Administration** line item needs an **increase of \$20** to cover Charitable Solicitations renewal.
2. Next year's GMs (4) could all be scheduled as evening/dinner meetings to encourage better attendance. **<Hospitality line item is raised to \$250 to cover this planned expense.>**
3. **Awards & Recognition** budgeted at \$250 is enough for an award (Golden Acorn) at each level: K-5, Middle School, and High School.
4. **Bond & Levy Support** (line item kept per Kelly Munn) amount is \$200, for VVFE contribution annually.
5. SVSF Donations – discussed but not budgeted for currently, they are in-kind with council.
6. **Reflections Program** – **add \$50** to cover cost of printing certificates on card stock/ ribbon. (May move \$50 from Awards & Recognition?)
7. With changes, net activity for the year comes to: Budgeted out = 1995.00; Net = 1305.00.
<Total of proposed changes = \$120.00>

C. Council website

1. Current website maintenance is cumbersome; we need a better software solution.
2. At convention, try to attend a web seminar to be able to serve as backup for website updates.

IV. President's Report (Cathy)

- A. MSHS PTSA has four additional members: Rudy Edwards, Caroline Loudenback, and the Poppes.
B. For additional updates, see Action Items report.

V. Vice President's Report (Ahn Lee)

- A. Council Golden Acorn Award – 5 nominations received plus a few more verbal inputs. We need to select one recipient per our last meeting discussion on this topic. May try to come to consensus over email, or devote 5 minutes during next board meeting to readdress/select.
B. Ahn Lee needs **two weeks to order and receive printed certificates for winner(s)**.

VI. Action Items

- A. Two Rivers High School (council involvement)
 - 1. Jack Webber may be added as MSHS voting delegate to council if approved at next GM.
 - 2. Other HS delegates will need to be sure that he is aligned with their voting preferences.
- B. SVSD Board Members Voters Forum – council to host
 - 1. 4 of 5 school board members are new, so this forum is again relevant.
 - 2. Will begin planning **after August primary election.**
- C. Council Budget 2009/10 – **need to rework, adopt at GM in June**
- D. School Board budget review 4/16/09 – hearing additional public input regarding ed. budget cuts.
 - 1. Budget cuts as outlined in survey and on school district website may need to be reinterpreted out of “legalese” to facilitate meaningful dialog.
 - 2. Vote to adopt SVSD budget at special school board meeting, Monday 4/20 at 6:30 p.m., D.O.
- E. Parent ed. opportunities (2)
 - 1. Pre teen seminar by Julie Metzger offered as a three-part series at a cost of \$1200-1500, CVES to host. Open to all interested schools, with suggested donation from each.
 - a. Question on fees compared to Bruce Brown seminar.
 - b. **Cathy will ask Cliff for Julie Metzger testimonials.**
 - 2. May 11 – community presentation by Phoebe Terhaar, Friends of Youth, for HS and MS families only (advertise at Elementary schools)
 - a. Beth will invite Phoebe Terhaar to speak at Monday (4/20) GM.
- F. Fundraising Partnership with SVSF – under discussion
 - 1. Can PTSA fundraise using SVSF leverage? Current budget gap is \$4M at the district level.
 - a. Fundraising at the council level would equalize monies raised across our schools.
 - b. Any SVSD/PTSA funds raised would be expected to specifically show __ improvement at __ school (from past experience).
- G. General Meeting Agenda for 4/20/09
 - 1. Endorsement of candidates – we agreed to No council endorsement of WSPTA candidates, although we could allow them to speak beginning at 9:00 on Monday (4/20) for about :15. Scott Allen (Bellevue) and John Stokes, both off the slate, have asked for time.
 - 2. Minutes
 - 3. Budget
 - 4. Guest Speakers (Phoebe, Carolyn)
 - 5. Legislative Update (HB/SB)
 - 6. Membership Awards (100% award for Council and CVES!)
 - 7. Support for local units – will be revisited after Convention. TFMS PTSA needs officers and has asked the council for help. SES, NBE, OES parents should be able to step up, especially since even though this is a new PTSA, council is here to offer guidance. “Wanted” signs could be posted at the feeder elementary schools, their principal could be approached for suggestions...
 - 8. SVSD Budget update (Joel)

VII. Committee Reports

- A. Legislative (Liz)
- B. Emergency Preparedness/Safety (Liz and Beth)
- C. Broadhurst Community

VIII. Correspondence – None.

IX. Motions

- A. Beth motioned approval of 3/11/09 minutes, Ahn Lee and Alice seconded the motion. All were in favor, and minutes are approved and moved into the Secretary's file.
- B. Ahn Lee motioned, Sue seconded changes to current budget. All in favor, changes as outlined by Alice are approved for this year; no GM review is necessary, as changes total less than \$250.

X. Programs

- A. Upcoming meetings/events:
 - April 16 – School Board meeting, 6:00 p.m.
 - April 20 – Council General Meeting, 9:30 a.m. (District Office Board Room)
 - May 1-3 – WSPTA Annual Convention (SeaTac Doubletree Inn & Conference Center)
 - May 13 – Council Board meeting, 10:00 a.m. (Fall City Library)

Adjournment: 12:25 p.m.

Sue Korol, Secretary