

Van Buren PTA Minutes
September 20, 2016

Meeting called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Stephanie Monson.

A quorum of 14 attended.

Secretary's Report: Presented by Lexi Monroe. Motion to approve, Jeni Bier, 2nd Tiffany Torres, All in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Angie Hoium. Motion to approve, Melissa Dettman, 2nd Tami Bliss, All in favor.

Membership Report: 65 members, Motion to approve, Sara Schumacher, 2nd Lexi Monroe, All in favor.

GAS CARD DRAWING - winner Gina Johnson - chosen by Sara Schumacher out of a raffle bowl.

Programs/Old Business:

- New board introduction
- During the summer, the board completed the audit
- PTA purchased a poster maker, there was a summer vote
- Picture day - volunteers helped out and everything went smoothly
- 60 kids/parents showed up at the Kindergarten Ice Cream Social
- \$230.56 was received from popcorn day
- Popcorn day possibly looking into different popcorn that is food allergy friendly
- New bank, BMO was charging fees, so the PTA will now be using Blackhawk Credit Union
 - Members appreciate the quick turnaround on check deposits
- Motion to approve, Tami Bliss, 2nd Sara Schumacher, All in favor.

New Business

- **Bylaws** - Vote to approve bylaws
 - Motion to approve, Sara Schumacher, 2nd Jeni Bier. All in favor, Yes.
- 55 responses on our survey regarding fundraisers
 - 18.2 % of people chose local business discount cards
 - 18.2 % of people chose frozen cookie dough
 - Cookie dough has been a fundraiser in the past, so this year we will go with local business discount cards
 - 58.2% of people chose family fun night as an event they would like to see at VB
 - 56.4% of people chose the Halloween dance as an event they would like to see
 - Followed by... Holiday Hoopla, Box Top wars, Penny Wars, Walk A Thon
- The PTA freezer is no longer working
 - Motion to hold off on freezer Melissa Dettman, 2nd Cathy Dennis.

- Stephanie will email regarding Robert's Rules of Order.
- Stephanie and Angie are attending Leadership training
- **Fundraiser - LOCAL BUSINESS DISCOUNT CARDS**
 - 300 have been ordered (minimum order)
 - Students will take home an order form to determine the quantity they will sell
 - Profit is 50%
 - \$4185 will be earned in profit from the 300 purchased
 - 60 extra cards
 - \$15 per card - selling price
 - We can order more in quantities of 100
 - Year long discount - expires September 30, 2017
 - Forms will go out mid October
- **Yearbook extension to September 30, 2016 as many students did not receive them initially**
 - 100 orders have been processed thus far
- **Halloween Dance - October 25, 2016 6 - 8 p.m.**
 - Budget = \$300
 - DJ = typically costs \$300
 - Could we possibly not have a DJ
 - Food - previously we have sold pizza
 - Marco's - could we sell pizza for \$2 per slice, rather than having people RSVP, but this is exclusionary to certain families
 - Popcorn would still be for sale
 - 6 - 8 p.m.
 - Oriental trading - selling pieces
 - Goody bag so everyone could leave with something
 - Possibly an art section where they can decorate a bag and take it home, or have it ready when they leave
 - Costumes - NO WEAPONS
 - Trunk or treat - In question??
 - We need a chairperson for this event, or perhaps a CHAIR TEAM!!
 - What does a chairperson do for this event?
 - Coordination of pizza, dance, volunteers
- **Pods** - barn fans?? It is very hot in the Pods.
- **Teacher Meal - 1st night of conferences**
 - Rumor has it, Texas Roadhouse will donate rolls and salads for teachers
 - Jeni Bier will follow up on this for 60 staff
- **Box Top War - October 15th**
 - Melissa Dettman has volunteered for this
- **Milk Moola Caps**
 - Milk caps from Kwik Trip and we get money back from them
 - Becky Barritt has volunteered for this
- **Shoparoo**
 - Free App

- Take pictures of your receipts from ANYWHERE and VB gets cash back
- **Scrip Cards - another way for VB to earn money**
 - We get a percentage back from gift cards that are purchased
- **Scoopie Night - October 4, 2016 4 - 8**
 - Culver's Scrip Cards will be sold at VB when school lets out that day
 - Culver's, Kwik-Trip, and Woodman's are always available
 - Bags of Hope - fundraiser for identified families in which bags of groceries are delivered to families in need, Ms. Bauer has asked if we could have one night designated to Bags of Hope for the School District of Janesville, or ask for a 5th date, or collaborate with other schools on this side of town.
- **Picture Retake Day - October 21, 2016**
- **Spirit Wear - no report**
- In our budget for field trips \$3500, staff are requesting \$3630
 - Angie is asking if we approve the \$3630
 - Motion to approve, Melissa Dettman, 2nd Jeni Bier.
 - Do we want to pay for the teachers and chaperones?
 - Pajerski reports that the teachers are for the most part free
 - Chaperones will need to pay their fare
 - Could we raise the budget to \$4,000?
 - Sending in extra money for students who need field trip money - put in an envelope in the box and it will be designated to the appropriate person
- There will be a BOX hanging in the hallway for PTA stuff

Motion to approve New Business Lexi Monroe, 2nd Tiffany Torres. YAAAAYYYY - Stephanie Monson

Principal's Notes

- PBIS kickoff - September 9, 2016
 - Students completed their passports walking around different parts of the buildings
 - SOP's - Standard Operating Procedures - reviewing expectations and creating a contract for appropriate behavior in certain areas of the building
 - Picture day - 3rd Friday county - highest attendance for funding per pupil
 - New student lunch last Friday with Mrs. Pajerski
 - YWCA Basics Program - September 21, 5:30 - 7:30 celebration at Rotary Gardens
 - Promoting leadership this year - engaging learners, building leaders, creating community is the school motto this year. 7 habits of highly effective people is where this was adopted from --- BE PROACTIVE is the first habit...

Meeting adjourned by Stephanie Monson at 7:35 p.m .

Next PTA Meeting at October 18, 6 p.m. at Van Buren Staff Lounge.