

KENT GARDENS PTA MEETING MINUTES

November 15, 2011

Approved

Welcome

Rich Sargent, President, opened the meeting at 7:04 p.m. (Approximately 15 people were present.)

Old business and approval of last meeting's minutes:

Approval of meeting minutes

A motion was made and seconded and passed to approve the October 2011 PTA minutes.

Principals Report

Chris Faye- Homestretch; Described the mission of Homestretch- supports families who are victims of domestic violence, trafficking, and war-torn countries. These individuals are poor, homeless and often riddled with debt. Helps families build the skills, knowledge and help to get themselves on the right path. Help them with education, finances, childcare needs, and employment. Families can be adopted for the holidays by the community. (contact tel:703-237-2035 if interested in adopting a family). Volunteers help with family needs, construction needs, getting the homes ready, tax filing, debt counseling, tutoring, etc. They are part of the combined federal campaign. The school is participating in a toiletry drive in support of Homestretch.

5th grade teacher, Alexandra Wong has been hired to replace Ms. Lynn; teachers will arrange a parent meeting opportunity in the near future.

On site training was provided by the county to help implement the new math programs.

Treasurer's Report

Monthly financial review

Shella Holmes, Treasurer, presented regarding: (1) cultural arts had a performance; (2) PTA provided a retirement gift for Ms. Baker; (3) receipt of audit; will be reported to the state PTA and posted online; (4) Fun Fete. Audit suggested the board to review state and national PTA guidance on fundraising and reach a consensus on the approach made toward fundraising.

Motion to adopt the audit as presented was made. Motion was adopted.

Committee Reports

Fundraising

Heather Tuttle reporting the status of popcorn club, box tops, arm chair fundraiser and membership recruitment. Made suggestion to use Amazon link on website which will provide support to PTA;

Fun Fete- Committee provided an outbrief on the Nov. 5th Fun Fete. Photos were taken, Request photos for website from families. Silent auction was big success. Food vendors will provide percentage back to the school. All activities went well and volunteers were recognized! Thank you to the teachers for the teacher silent auction items.

March Madness (March 15) planning has begun. Details will begin to go out after Thanksgiving.

Square 1 Art orders are rolling in. Due Nov. 18

Mentioned Food for Trees effort

Book swap Bingo-Dec. 16th

New Business

- Directory company sent advertising email to the community and has been asked not to send again
- Request to get new French Videos and possibly invest in videos for older children.

Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded and passed to adjourn the meeting.
Adjournment was at 8:20pm.

Upcoming Events:

- Tuesday, December 13th, 7pm, PTA meeting

- Friday, December 16th – Family Fun Night – Book Swap Bingo!