

KENT GARDENS PTA MEETING MINUTES
November 9, 2010

I. Welcome/Month in Recap

Erika Keough, President, opened the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

II. Presentation from Kent Gardens teachers and staff on the Math program at school

Mr. Romain began the presentation by introducing the Math Council members. Mr. Romain presented regarding the math program at school, including: how students are grouped; explanation of and positive impact of advanced/compacted math curriculum; and data collection method.

Other Math Council members then presented regarding grade-level specific math programs (including how students are grouped, rotation of teachers and students, curriculum used, etc.).

Ms. Joanne Leme presented regarding how to help children approach and solve math problems (homework and everyday life), including example problems available on www.glencoe.com and other websites (see teacher blackboard sites for lists).

Mr. Romain entertained questions during post-presentation question and answer session.

III. Old business and approval of last meeting's minutes:

A. Approval of last month's minutes

A motion was made and seconded and approved to accept the last PTA meeting notes (October 12, 2010) with the change of 7:06 p.m.

IV. Principal's Report

Dr. Hooker, Principal, spoke as to a few issues, including Veteran's Day event and parent teacher conferences

V. Treasurer's Report

Anne-Marie Walker, Treasurer, presented regarding (1) assistant treasurer position, and (2) INCOME items, including (a) fall after school academies and hoops (number (\$15,121) will shrink because salaries not paid yet); (b) arm chair (at 78% of goal; approx. 26% of family

participation); (c) fall enrollment at 94 students; (d) drama (Alison and Wonderland this year); (e) Entertainment Books (will not reach goal this year); (f) family fun night (last Tuesday at Chicken Out – not as well attended as Fudruckers); (g) French videos (participation strong – have asked for any surplus to replace laptops; (h) Sally Foster (1100\$); (i) membership (at 75% of income goal); (j) spirit wear; (k) square one art; (m) summer academies (look for survey in KIT message and also have purchased software to possibly upgrade registration software); (3) EXPENSE items, including: (a) author visit coming up; (b) field trips; (c) directory (rolled out last week; were under budget by eliminating tabs); (d) International Night (on Saturday; one of expenses is 512\$ for custodian wages).

(Ms. Gavin mentioned that WEE DELIVER will have induction ceremony next week)

VI. Committee Reports

A. Fundraising (Armchair, Membership, Entertainment Books, S1Art, Sally Foster, Auction)

B. Events (Reflections, FFN, International Night)

Skipped.

VII. New Business

A. Fairfax County Budget meeting recaps/Legislative liason

Erika Keough presented regarding attendance at Fairfax County budget and school board meetings.

John Foust, Supervisor, will be at next meeting.

NOVA Council of PTAs – pension funding

Next meeting: December 14.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion made and seconded and passed to adjourn meeting. Adjournment was at 8:17 pm.

UPCOMING EVENTS: International Night, November 13th, 5-8pm