

KENT GARDENS PTA MEETING
MINUTES
MARCH 9, 2010

The meeting was opened by Rich Sargent, President, at 7:00 p.m. A motion was made and seconded to approve the following amendment wording to the Kent Gardens PTA By-Laws: ***The nominating committee shall nominate an eligible person for each office to be filled and report its nominees at a regular meeting no less than twenty eight (28) days prior to the election meeting. At the election meeting, additional nominations may be made from the floor.***

A report of the Nominations Committee was made (members: Richard Sargent, Margaret Alessi, and Rebecca Boyer).

President	Erika Keough
VP1/Events	Mariasol Herrera-Garcia
VP2/Fundraiser	Orchid Rushenas
Treasurer	Anne-Marie Walker
Secretary	Adrianna Marks

Motion made and carried to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2010 PTA meeting.

Legislative Update was presented by David Edelman. David spoke about the recent developments of the FY2011 FCPS Budget. The governor has proposed in the range of \$731-750 million in cuts to Education Funding (SOQ). According to school board member, Stuart Gibson, that represents about a 30% deduction in K-12 education. In summary, nothing is solidified in terms of State funding of education. Budget information can be found on the FCPS website: <http://www.fcps.edu/news/fy2011.htm>

A rally is scheduled for April 6th at 4:30 p.m. at the Fairfax Government Center, 12000 Government Center Parkway, in the Board of Supervisors auditorium.

Dr. Hooker spoke to the group and discussed recommendations from the local business partners that no tax increase be accepted in response to the education budget cuts.

Anne Marie Walker, Treasurer, briefly reviewed the Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual dated 3/6/10. There are 530 members of the Kent Gardens PTA. Magnets and flags are for sale and Summer Academies are in full swing.

A presentation by Will Bruno, AXA Equitable on College Funding Options.

Orchid Rushenas, VP/Fundraising, made remarks and mentioned the PTA has realized a profit of \$16,619 to date from the armchair fundraiser; 222 families have contributed. This amount has exceeded the \$15,000 budgeted.

Erika Keough, VP/Events, spoke about the success of the recent March Madness on March 12.

8:20 p.m. Meeting adjourned.