

Minutes
April 11, 2012
PTO Board Meeting

Board Members in Attendance:

Holly Shilstone-President
Paul Heyburn-First VP
Liz Palmer-VP Finance
Margaret Young-VP Development
Meredith Maierson-VP Internal Relations
Kef Wilson-VP Public Relations
Tina Salem-Secretary
Frances Davidson-Past-President
Sandra Ahlhorn-Chair, Budget and Finance
Christine Rodriguez-Ways and Means Director
Ann Guerra, School Life Director
Amie Canfield-Volunteer Coordinator
Madhuri Chilakapati-Volunteer Coordinator
Teri Gerber-Teacher Appreciation Director
Janann Pittman-Specialist Representative
Linda Elmer-5th grade Representative
Stephanie Moll-4th grade Representative
Colleen Morris-3rd grade Representative
Nicole Andrews-2nd grade Representative
Georgi Silverman-2nd grade Representative
Stephanie Slobin-1st grade Representative
Kathryn Hensey-Kinder Representative
Becky Smith-Faculty Representative
Dr. Keri Fovargue-Head of School-Ex-Officio Member

PTO Members in Attendance:

Maria Onufrow-Directory Team
Ann Tanabe-School Supplies

1. Meeting called to order by Holly Shilstone, President.
2. Approval:
 - A. February Minutes-Motion by Tina Salem, Secretary, seconded by Teri Gerber, all in favor, motion passed and minutes are approved with no substantive changes.
 - B. March Minutes-Motion by Tina Salem, Secretary, seconded by Teri Gerber, all in favor, motion passed and minutes are approved with no substantive changes.

- C. Bylaws Revision-Kindergarten Representative-discussion with Meredith Maierson, Motion made, seconded, all in favor, motion passed and bylaws revision is approved.
- D. 2012-2013 Board of Directors-discussion/presentation by Paul Heyburn, members of nominating committee were grade reps, Vice Presidents, volunteer coordinators, and President. Led by First Vice President-Paul Heyburn. Motion made by Paul. Second by Janann Pittman, all in favor, motion passed and Board approved by voice vote.
3. Updates by the Chairs, Vice-Presidents and/or Directors:
- a. Finance-Liz Palmer-ROE store continues to be in a deficit balance and we are looking to reassess the inventory/store for 2012-2013. With Kinder t-shirts and caps as part of the Kinder school supplies, there was a reconciliation with the ROE Store yet deficit continues for the ROE School. Noted that \$680 was raised in sales at the carnival – thanks to Mrs. Goodman’s class overseeing the sales. The carnival exceeded expectations in revenues and await the final revenue amounts once expenses and revenue are reconciled.
4. Update by Dr. Keri Fovargue- Dr. Fovargue updated visits with the Nature Center Committee re: the Nature Center and working with her and HISD on funding to support the Nature Center. Dr. Fovargue is able to allocate \$2500 funding to support the Nature Center from the activity fund account along with the continual support of HISD and its Grounds and Facilities management to assist in the cost and maintenance for the Nature Center. Board was reminded that PTO has funded over \$40,000 through the years on the Nature Center. Dr. Fovargue will work in collaboration with the teachers in alignments of the TEKS especially as related with science in the Nature Center and the Nature Committee agreed that this space and coordination would be under Dr. Fovargue and HISD with collaboration and assistance as needed from volunteers.
5. Any other business:
- a. Donation received for new risers for Music as requested by Mrs. Hicks and President allocated difference from the President line item budget.
 - b. Greenwood-King has agreed to be the ROE Fun Run main sponsor for \$3000 for 2012-13.
 - c. Discussion of proposal on standardized school start times-current HISD proposal is 7:30am-3:00pm with no Wednesday waiver. SDMC recommended a teacher survey which had varied results. Collecting data and monitoring HISD activity.
 - d. Discussion of recess proposal going to HISD board-some idea that it only applies to schools that don’t have recess and P.E.-discussion of state requirement of exercise. Board was updated that this does not apply to ROE and the Board of Trustee –Harvin Moore along with a meeting at the SPAC with Dr. Grier – this was brought up with our SIO Mr. Spencer and

this email that was being distributed amongst our parent community this week is not related to ROE.

- e. Holly Shilstone thanked to members serving and noted we have made great achievements this year as a team and appreciate the continual work for ROE. Holly acknowledged Paul Heyburn for his leadership and serving at PTO President along with another great slate and team moving forward.

- 6. Adjourn-Motion made and seconded, meeting adjourned at 6:46pm.