

Mount Vernon Exploratory PTO Executive Committee

Minutes of Meeting

October 2, 2017

OFFICERS PRESENT: Jessica Taylor, President; Holly Owens, Vice-President; Jenny Floyd, Past President; Tara Perry, Treasurer; Kimberly Robinson, Secretary; Jennifer Westbrook, Principal; Kristi Crumpton, 2018-19 Teacher of the Year

CALL TO ORDER: The President, Jessica Taylor, called the meeting to order. Observed: Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence.

- I. WELCOME: President, Jessica Taylor welcomed us and called the meeting to order.
- II. PRESENTATION OF MINUTES AND BOARD APPROVAL: The minutes from September's meeting was voted electronically, as well as the amended August minutes. Tara Perry made the motion to approve and Jenny Floyd gave the second motion.
- III. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:
 - a. Great job on Fall Festival!
 - b. Ms. Westbrook thanked the PTO for our Core Essentials program for character education.
 - c. Ms. Westbrook was very appreciative of the new stage curtains.
 - d. School-wide requests to consider in future PTO budgeting: playground benches, STEM consumables, garden design, and Waffle House teacher appreciation lunch.
- IV. TREASURER'S REPORT:
 - a. Tara Perry gave a projected budget for 2017-18.
 - b. The technology budget was decreased to \$100.00 and the remaining \$900.00 moved to playground.
 - c. The Promethean and Professional Development was removed.
 - d. Chick-Fil-A spirit night can be given as a 10% check or 25% food credit, which we decided to use the food credit for the previous spirit night for Fall Festival, as well as Staff Appreciation Week.
 - e. Everyone agreed to reduce teacher allotments for the "specials" from \$1,500 to \$1,300 since there is no longer an EIP or computer teacher.
 - f. "Explore Time" will be increased from \$500 to \$700.
 - g. Tara Perry revised the budget based on this meeting, and was voted for electronically. Everyone was in agreement.
 - h. The laptops will soon need be replaced, as they are going on 5 years.
- V. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a. Gym curtains look great!
- IV. NEW BUSINESS:
 - a. Jessica Taylor mentioned the leak in the ceiling of the PTO room. Ms. Westbrook will make a maintenance request.

- b. We need finalized spirit nights for all MVES events.
- c. Ms. Westbrook will send thank you letters to parent volunteers, E2 and FBLA volunteers for Fall Festival.
- d. A new company needs to be identified for the larger rides/games/inflatables due to incompetency issues this year. Kristi Crumpton suggested “Just a Jumpin” in Cleveland.
- e. In regards to the slide that had to be taken down, the committee decided to hold funds in account and not replace it until a proposal is provided by Kyle Taylor regarding future playground equipment needs/purchases.
- f. Ms. Westbrook mentioned the teachers would like more benches in the playground area.
- g. Everyone agreed to not replace the benches in the amphitheater area due to the lack of use.
- h. Jessica mentioned having a fundraiser for bench sponsorships-committee to investigate further.
- i. Ms. Westbrook mentioned that the “Buddy Bench” needs to be repainted.

Next meeting will be November 6. Jessica Taylor adjourned meeting.

Submitted by Kimberly Robinson, Secretary