

MARINERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOUNDATION

April 2011 Board Meeting Minutes

SCHEDULED TIMES		ACTUAL TIMES		LOCATION
Start 7:00 pm	Stop 8:00 pm	Start 7:09 pm	Stop 8:42 pm	Monday, April 4, 2011 Penne Ferrell Theatre

ATTENDEES

Officers

Mike Huntley (Chairman)	X	Jaime Weber (Vice President)	X	Jana Kalinowski (Secretary)
X Dianne Wells (President)	X	Lori Williams (Treasurer)		

Board Members and Committee Chairs

X John & <u>Dana</u> Agamalian	X <u>Christin</u> & Jon Gurka	X Michael & <u>Patricia</u> Stark
X Jason & <u>Meredith</u> Cagle	X Eric & <u>Susan</u> Marking	X Chris & <u>Nanci</u> Terry
David & Teryn Clarke	X <u>Jon</u> & Valerie Minken	X Vince & <u>Cindy</u> Valdes
X <u>Brian</u> & Laura Cox	X <u>John</u> & Julie Patterson	Matt & Julie White
Rick & Jami Delgado	X <u>John</u> & Georgia Richards	
Brian & Georgina Forbath	Doug & Melissa Robinson	

Principal/Teacher Liaisons

X Pam Coughlin	Cathy Blue	X Bill Buchman
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Additional Attendees:

Jeff Herdman
Catherine Snarr
Stephanie Henry
Pam Lucier
Assim Babovic

MINUTES

1. Welcome (Dianne Wells)

- Welcome – Call to Order at 7:09 p.m.
- 2011/12 Board and Intentions: Dianne asked that members and potential members please e-mail their intentions for next year to Jana Kalinowski by the June meeting. We are looking for people who want to actively be involved in committees.
- Budget: We will be voting on the proposed budget for next year on or before the May meeting.

2. Reminders (Jana Kalinowski)

- The March minutes were passed.
- Dog Bag Dispenser: The Foundation purchased 1 dog bag dispenser, 2 signs, 1 lock and a case of bags to help the "dog" situation at the Pembroke Gate. We are waiting for the school district to install it.

3. Principal's Update (Pam Coughlin)

- Clean-up Day: Mrs. Coughlin thanked everyone who participated in cleaning up our school on April 3. We had families, as well as high school students and 10-15 Ensign students.
- Technology: Mrs. Coughlin invited Assim Babovic from the district tech. support division and Pam Lucier, our technology expert at school, to tell us about Mariners technological needs for the future. Renaissance Learning is the system that we use for Accelerated Reading and Math. As of September, we will not be able to use this system on our Mac computers. The system is upgrading and 190 of our 240 computers will not be compatible. Therefore, we are looking at switching to PCs. A group of people will be going to Newport Heights Elementary to see what technology they have at their school. We are looking at Netbooks and PC desktops. Our district has a contract with Hewlett Packard, so it is recommended that we purchase refurbished HPs.
- Cost: Refurbished PCs cost approximately \$350 and Netbooks cost \$540 a piece. The lifespan of an HP is 4-5 years and we get a 3-year warranty through the district. Netbook carts are costly, but that is what some other schools are using.
- Responders: Mrs. Coughlin is also looking into purchasing some hand-held responders for Accelerated Math. Other schools in the district are finding success with them.
- Questions: Do we receive tax incentives for purchasing computers for our own student? Are we able to lease computers?
- Our school goal is:
 - Kindergarten – First Grade: 3 computers, fewer than 5 years old
 - 2nd – 3rd Grade: 5 computers, fewer than 5 years old
 - 4th, 5th, and 6th Grade: 7 computers, fewer than 5 years old

4. Treasury Report (Lori Williams)

- Proposed Budget: The Executive Board met to work on the proposed budget for 2011/12. Prior to the May meeting, Lori will be sending out the proposed budget for all board members to approve. We are projecting that we will begin around \$30,000 above what we normally do. There will be some expected increases in staffing.

5. Art Walk (Nanci Terry & Lori Williams)

- "Dream Big" is the theme. The event is Friday, May 13th the ENC.
- There are 12 project ideas turned in so far.
- Underwriting will be promoted after Spring Break.
- The band will be Edday, which also played at the Fall Fundraiser.
- TK Burgers will provide food.
- The ticket prices are not increasing, although there are some additional costs this year:
 - Site Fee: \$500
 - Additional Bartender: \$250
- Party of the Year: On a side note, Nanci shared that due to city regulations; the Party of the Year will be cancelled. John Richards offered to chair the event to save it. It will still be on June 4th, but the venue will change.

6. Independence Day (Meredith Cagle for Melissa Robinson & Lizzy Reese)

- Sponsorship: OC Family and the Daily Pilot are confirmed as media sponsors. So far, they have \$4000 agreed in sponsorship and \$1500 pending approval. Lizzy's goal is \$15,000. She is sending out a personal e-mail to potential sponsors and will then follow-up with a phone call.
- Celebration: Jolly Jumps is confirmed and the deposit has been paid.

7. Penne Ferrell Theater (Meredith Cagle and Dana Agamalian)

- Chairs, Dollies and Partitions: School Outfitters is the company we purchased 300 chairs and 6 dollies from. We also ordered 2 - 19 ½ foot partitions and 2 - 14 foot partitions. Meredith has researched online and also received a quote from Signature Rentals, through Jaime Weber's connection.
- Upgrade to Sound System: Dana met with her audio/visual provider and received a quote (see attached).

MOTION

Nanci Terry moved to approve the funds, based on the quote provided, for sound system upgrades for the Penne Ferrell Theatre.

Seconded by: John Patterson

Result of vote: ADOPTED

- District Upgrades: Mrs. Coughlin met with Tim Marsh from District Maintenance. There was a measure passed to make improvements to the multi-purpose rooms in our schools. Presently they are working on 2 high schools and then the funds will go to the elementary schools. In 3 years, we will possibly get a cosmetic upgrade.

8. PTA Update (Meredith Cagle)

- Jog-A-Thon: The Jog-A-Thon brought in \$100,000 between underwriting, pledges, and the bake sale. There were \$10,000 in expenses and they were only budgeted to make \$80,000.
- Old Copier: The Foundation's old copier is finally being picked up and donated, which will create more room in the storage room in the PFT.
- 2011/2012 Calendar: Due to January 1st falling on a Sunday next year, the winter break may change.
- Sacramento Safari: Meredith went to Sacramento as a PTA representative. The Governor has proposed \$14,000,000,000 in additional cuts. Newport-Mesa has 3 possible scenarios, which are cuts of \$19 per student, \$349 per student or \$570 per student. Paul Reed thinks that NMUSD will see no change next year, but in 2012/13 there will be significant cuts. We will begin seeing 30 students in K-3 again.
- KTLA News: Newport Dunes wants kids to film to publicize their camps. Please contact Meredith, if you are interested. The filming will be 5 – 8 a.m.

Next Meeting, Monday, May 2, 7:00 p.m. in the Penne Ferrell Theater.