

**Valhalla PTA
District 9
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**Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 8, 2010
6:30 pm**

In Attendance: Monty Potter, Vicki Chandler, Jack Chandler, Jaelene Moore, Sue McIntyre, Stephanie Nguyen, Michele Cordi, Jason Smith, Colin Nelson, Claire Wilson and Rachel Jorren

Back To School Night – Wednesday, September 15th

PTA will purchase the hot dogs and condiments for \$166.00 for the back to school BBQ. The money will come from the budgets ‘programs and services’ line item.

The schedule for the evening will include a short general membership meeting at 6:00 after dinner has been served (5:30-6:00). Chairs will be set up in the commons area. Vicki and Monte will host the meeting and Mr. Smith will address the families and introduce new staff as well. After the brief meeting families will visit classrooms. Focus will be on introducing what PTA is and what PTA does to those in attendance. There will also be a short presentation on the budget and a few words from Mr. Smith.

Interpreters will be available. PTA will have tables for membership, E-Script Sign-up, and Shirt/Sweatshirt and Comfort Kit sales. Talking points will be available along with a one-page handout about PTA. Teachers will be asked to include a few minutes in their presentations to families about PTA. Classroom lists of current PTA members will also be posted outside classroom doors.

There will also be sign-ups for volunteering for upcoming PTA events.

Membership Update –

To date there are currently 103 members. Goal for the year is 180.

Review Movie Night/Book Fair Dates for October & November –

Decision not to have a movie night in October. November movie night was moved to November 5th. Book Fair will run November 4th to the 10th.

Walk-A-Thon -

Date is set for October 15th. Committee members to work on details include Mr. Colin Nelson, Mr. Trevor Nelson, Mr. Smith, Sue McIntyre, Stephanie Nguyen, and Rachel Jorren.

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2nd PTA Meeting – Program?

Ideas include student body reports and information on MSP scores. Stay tuned.

Budget Reports at General Membership Meetings

Idea was presented to think about developing a one-page report at our general membership meeting that simplified the information on the detailed financials that are usually presented each month. Claire volunteered to send Vicki a template form that she uses in her work.

Committee Reports -

Carnival (Rachel Jorren) - Rachel had the idea of having either classrooms or families design a game and then ‘sponsor’ the game at the carnival. It would be one way of updating our games that are getting old and have been the same for the last few years. Rachel is also working with the union and seeing whether the carnival might be a volunteer opportunity (community service) and even sponsor the bouncies. More to come.

Newsletter (Sue McIntyre) – first edition of this years newsletter will be October 2nd. Please get information to Sue by September 27th.

Garage Sale (Claire Wilson) – the date has been set for Saturday, May 14th. The event will again this year be on the same day as TAF Academy Garage/Rummage Sale.

Meeting adjourned 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Claire Wilson