

Montgomery Site Council Minutes
March 19, 2009

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Comment [01]:

Meeting starts: 7:18 p.m.

Attendance: Ryan Bezerra, Amanda Walsh, Shelly Wickwire, Karen Wallender, Cheri Burau, Howard Kornblum, Bob Bain

Public Comment: None

Approval of January 2009 Minutes

Motion: approve the minutes

Proposed by Cheri Burau, seconded by Karen Wallender

Approved 6-0

Approval of February 2009

Motion: approve the minutes

Proposed by Karen Wallender w/correction of Nora's last name, seconded by Bob Bain

Approved 6-0

Member Reports: Minutes for all MME meetings will now be posted on the school website (i.e. Site Council/PTA/ELAC).

ELAC- ELAC members have participated in a series of classes funded by a grant through First Five of Yolo County. The first class parents visited the school library and filled out applications to receive Yolo County library cards. The second class ELAC parents took a tour of the Yolo County library and received library cards. In the last two classes ELAC parents will work in the MME computer lab and learn how to access the Yolo County library on the web. ELAC will also attend the PTA Math Night.

GATE- Not attended by Site Council member.

PTA- See attached minutes for both March and April.

School Climate- Shelly reported that there was some discussion on the affect that GATE transfers have on the MME school climate. Parents of GATE identified students are asked to choose between two programs. The decision making process creates competitiveness between schools and can become very personal to staff/students/ and parents-which is not good for the school climate. There was also more discussion on the Yale research study. A new survey was created and will be given to students in grades 2-6.

Spanish Immersion- Next Spanish Immersion meeting will be held on March 30th.

SAC- No Report.

DAC- No Meeting.

Announcements:

*The Yolo County Book Drop is open!

New Business:

*None

Continuing Business:

Budget Projections: Staff morale is good, we only have 3 lay offs this year which is much less than last year.

Agenda Development:

- *Concept level approval of budget
- *Review goals on Site Plan
- *Site Council Elections

Meeting Adjournment:

Shelly Wickwire motioned to adjourn.

Amanda Walsh seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Addendum

March 9, 2009
Marguerite Montgomery PTA Meeting
Minutes

Call to order:

Meeting called to order by Tracie Bezerra at 7:08 PM.

Present: Elizabeth Moon, Stacy Lovitt, Rachel Riely, Liz Shorts, Rebecca Keller, Tracie Bezerra, Susan Shepps, Catherine Brooks, Lauren Clancy, Shelly Wickwire, Eloisa Klementich, Trish Bosco, Amanda Walsh, Anna Otto, Ali Gosende, Amy Lemmo, Stephanie Rubinstien, Melinda Grow, Charla Kordana, Michelle McKim

I. Welcome

- ◆ Tracie Bezerra called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

II. Approvals

Meeting Minutes- Charla Kordana made a motion to ratify February's minutes and Catherine Brooks seconded. Motion was passed.

Ratify Check Disbursements- Stephanie Rubinstein made a motion to ratify disbursements made in February. Amy Lemmo seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Box Tops Collection Box (Nugget)- Birch Lane PTA president has requested we allow them to have the one at the east Davis Nugget. Perhaps, we can have them request one for themselves or have a discussion between the box tops coordinators.

III. Member Reports

Principal(Shelly Wickwire)

- ◆ Thank you to everyone for an amazing auction.
- ◆ Star Testing has begun with the 4th grade writing sample. The rest of the testing begins April 24 – May 8. We have a two week window to provide the testing. The 3rd grade is not going to have to take the CAT6, giving them a little bit of a break from all the testing.
- ◆ Open House is the 15th of April from 6:30-7:30 PM
- ◆ Spring Beautification is beginning to be organized, probably after spring break.
- ◆ Budget at this point, we have only 4 layoffs, but also all temporary workers have received a letter letting them go. The district is allowing for an extra year of leave. Staffing will not be settled for some time.
- ◆ Kinder registration on the 18th of March. Kinder tours are the 16th & 17th. Perhaps adding some PTA fliers or information for incoming families. Also, perhaps some t-shirts or sweatshirts.
- ◆ PE program money looks to be cut for next year. There are some possible options that may be looked at for next year. A possibility of an Activity Director through the budget process.

Teachers (Lauren Clancy)

- ◆ Teachers thank everyone for the Wednesday Lunch and treats.
- ◆ Every teacher at the auction had a great time.
- ◆ Thank you for the book fair money. All the teachers really appreciated the donation.

VP Fundraising (Liz Shorts)

- ◆ Trish Bosco wanted to thank all the teachers being at the event and everyone had a great time.
- ◆ Collaboration with Pioneer worked really well.

- ◆ Stephanie Rubinstien really enjoyed how everyone worked together and did their jobs.
- ◆ Rough numbers \$61,000 + is revenue before expenses. Raffle sales were about \$7,000, but would have preferred \$10,000. There were about 225/200 people attended. People brought neighbors and in-laws which worked out really well.
- ◆ Formation of next year's auction and the date is beginning now.
- ◆ Projectors from fund an item in conjunction with grants and technology money has enabled our school to buy enough for the school along with carts.
- ◆ Mustang Run needs to be organized and put together. A discussion of whether to utilize Jamba Juice or t-shirts ensued and upon consensus more information would be brought to the next meeting in April.

VP Community Events-(Catherine Brooks)

- ◆ Math Night has been graciously taken on by Mary Betty Stevenson from UC Davis after contacting Shelly Wickwire about doing some student teaching at Montgomery. She has some math interns that need some volunteer teaching hours. She has a pirate themed family math night activities already designed. She has enough interns to help along with the volunteers Catherine Brooks has organized to run each station.
- ◆ Catherine Brooks has also purchased a special book of family math activities that will be donated to the school for future years.
- ◆ Friday June 5th at Montgomery is Carnival Day and Talent Show.

VP Communications-(Charla Kordana)- no report necessary.

Treasurer (Diane Muller)

- ◆ Auction and Book fair are in the report. Need to begin with looking at how we're going to use the money for next year.

Other Important People

- ◆ Should we do Innisbruck for fall fundraiser? Overwhelming yes.
- ◆ Liz Shorts suggested we also do flower bulbs and will look into what that may entail.
- ◆ Book fair made just under \$7,000. The kids really have a great time. Rebecca Keller says it's a great event for all the students, teachers and parents.
- ◆ Michelle McKim reported that boxed tops made over \$2600 as of February 28th. One student is responsible for 10% of all the boxed tops from a family effort.

IV. Announcements

- ◆ Math Night April 1st
- ◆ PTA Meeting April 13th

- ◆ Spring Break April 6-10

V. **Adjournment-** Tracie Bezerra adjourned the meeting at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Elizabeth Moon

April 13, 2009
Marguerite Montgomery PTA Meeting
Minutes

Call to order:

Meeting called to order by Sue Shepps at 7:10 PM.

Present: Elizabeth Moon, Rebecca Keller, Tracie Bezerra, Susan Shepps, Catherine Brooks, Lauren Clancy, Amanda Walsh, Charla Kordana, Susan Rivera, Diane Muller

I. Welcome

- ◆ Sue Shepps called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

VI. Approvals

Meeting Minutes- Charla Kordana made a motion to ratify March's minutes and Catherine Brooks seconded. Motion was passed.

Ratify Check Disbursements- Catherine Brooks made a motion to ratify disbursements made in March. Susan Rivera seconded the motion and the motion passed.

New PTA Board Slate Announced: The nominating committee met on March 2, 2009 to consider all eligible candidates for the 2009/2010 term of office. On behalf of the nominating committee, I, Catherine Brooks, present the following slate of officers for the association's consideration:

PRESIDENT	TRISH BOSCO
VP FUNDRAISING	AMANDA WALSH
VP COMMUNICATIONS	TRACIE BEZERRA
VP COMMUNITY EVENTS	ALI GOSENDE
TREASURER	GAIL MURRAY
SECRETARY	SUSAN RIVERA

PTA Budget Ideas – Proposal from teacher's are needed before the end of the school year for next year. A discussion ensued concerning various ideas. One idea is to give grade level money, a larger amount, in order for grade levels to decide on something special for their whole grade level. Other ideas were generated concerning after school clubs and ideas outside the box were encouraged.

VII. Member Reports

Principal(given by Lauren Clancy)

- ◆ Baskets for change were kicked-off today. Ms. Fleenor presented a slide show about working with a special group in Uganda.
- ◆ Beautification Day is April 25th. Plenty of tasks will be lined up for everyone to be involved.
- ◆ April 27th is the start of STAR testing on campus. Each grade level will be setting up their own schedule. www.cde.ca.gov website will provide practice questions.
- ◆ Preliminary Staffing looks at a 1/ 2 combo and possibly a 3 /4 combo.
- ◆ May 1st is the deadline for t-shirt contest. Kids will be judging drawings in the library.
- ◆ LCD projectors information is being gathered.
- ◆ Spring performances are going to start taking place.

Teachers (Lauren Clancy) – no report necessary

VP Fundraising (Liz Shorts) – no report necessary

VP Community Events-(Catherine Brooks)

- ◆ Math night went really well. It was very impressive and looking into science for next year. They are part of a club at UC Davis and they are advised by Mary Stevens at UC Davis. It was the most organized family event at night with diverse activities. Donated the decorations for the pirate theme to them.
- ◆ School Carnival is June 5th. Vendors are lined up for this year. Discussion of what we can offer to all students. Looking into volunteers for running the carnival games, possibly university students.
- ◆ Back to school picnic was up to discussion about how to make more meaningful connections. Ice-cream socials for the in-coming kindergarteners and their teachers. Meeting of teachers before the first day of school was discussed, with caveats about no discussions about placement issues. Further discussions were had about gathering a PTA committee to help teacher's with classroom set-up. Also, a change of Sunday to Tuesday of the first week of school was discussed.
- ◆ Mustang run is still up in the air. Looking at Jamba Juice opportunities.

VP Communications-(Charla Kordana)- no report necessary.

Treasurer (Diane Muller)

- ◆ There are a lot of budget categories that still have money. Now is the time to ask for any funds that have been used or funds that teachers or clubs are thinking of using.

Other Special People

- ◆ Yearbook discussion took place at climate committee, looking at yearbook club with a teacher/parent advisor.
- ◆ Looking at getting the Mustang T-shirt to sell for the carnival.

VIII. Announcements

- ◆ Next PTA Meeting: Monday, May 4th
- ◆ School Beautification Day April 25th
- ◆ Mustang T-shirt drawing contest over April 29th/May 1st

IX. Adjournment- Tracie Bezerra adjourned the meeting at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Elizabeth Moon