

Cub Run Elementary PTA

General Meeting Minutes January 10, 2012

I. Call to Order

The meeting of the Cub Run Parent Teacher Association was held at Cub Run Elementary School, Centreville, Virginia, on January 10, 2012. The meeting convened at 7:04 PM. President Beth Haubach presiding and Jim Bolton Secretary. A total of 8 attendees were present.

II. Secretary's Report

a. PTA Minutes

The minutes from the November 2011 meeting were approved.

b. Sales Tax Exemption Certificate

Bolton completed filing via www.tax.virginia.gov/NPO on 12/28/11 for obtaining the certificate. The board can expect to wait up to 90 days. Bolton will report any updates as warranted.

c. 2012-2013 PTA Webmaster

The Cub Run parent who previously expressed interest in serving as the new PTA Webmaster has not responded to Bolton's query. Bolton will contact this individual one more time. If he is not interested, then we will need to publicize the opening when the nomination committee begins promoting potential new board members.

III. Treasurer's Report

a. General Update

After cutting the donation check to Cub Run for the purchase of the Senteo systems, the PTA treasury has ~\$11,000.00 in available funds.

IV. Vice President's Report

a. Movie Night

1st VP Liz Knabe is exploring options and fees by which the PTA would host a free family movie night. 7 – 9 PM March 2 is a proposed event date. The event would likely take place in the Cub Run Gymnasium. Because seating will be limited, a means of recording pre-registrants will likely be needed.

b. Cub Run Night at Chik-Fil-A

2nd VP Bev Basham will finalize arrangements for this fundraiser event. 5 – 7 PM March 7 will be the proposed event date.

V. President's Report

a. Box Tops for Education Check

The PTA received a check for \$946.80 as our return for all of the Cub Run families who participated in this program. These funds were used as part of the PTA's donation to Cub Run for the purchase of new Senteo systems.

b. Literacy Night

With Cub Run volunteer with Pam Watson, Haubach continues to explore options and features for this event. She plans to present a program proposal for this event to Principal Coakley in the near future.

c. Senteos

With the coordination of PTA monies from the Box Tops program and \$5900 from the general PTA treasury, Cub Run was enabled to purchase 4 new Senteo systems. The new systems arrived at Cub Run on December 20, 2011, were installed, and are now in use by teachers and students.

d. Spelling Bee

The Bee is scheduled for February 16. Unfortunately, due to the increase in the popularity of this event, actions need to be taken to ensure the event remains manageable within a single evening. Thus:

- While k-2 teachers may run their own bees independent of the Cub Run Bee, the formal Bee will no longer host K-2 students.
- If the registration for 3-6 still remains large, using the gym instead of the cafeteria may be a feasible alternative.

Prior to the PTA's January 10 meeting, Cub Run 3-6th-grade teachers were asked if they would be willing to conduct hour-long, in-class qualifier Bees – that would thus yield the top 2-5 students from each class to compete in the formal Bee. As class schedules are already maxed-out, in-class qualifier bees were deemed unfeasible. Volunteers are needed for this event and should contact event chair Nancy Render at therenders@aol.com.

e. Spring Fling

The January 5 interest meeting coordinated by Haubach was successful. Thus, this event will be held on April 22. The board is agreeable with a proposal to alternatively expand the fun run to include a 5K, some inflatables, a food module, silent auction, and possibly a band. Also, the balloon guys, face painter, and airbrush tattoos that were popular at the 2011 spring fling may also be offered. But the extensive low-cost games of the traditional spring fling – requiring setup within the school and lots of volunteers – will not be included.

f. Kid Art

There is no chairperson for this event. Volunteers are requested to contact Haubach.

g. Original Works

Co-chairs Sabrina Morin and Katrina Koons already have this program underway. Morin and Koons are program veterans, having already run the program when they were at Virginia Run ES. Program materials are expected to arrive soon. Participating students will soon be creating their own unique items suitable for Mother's Day and Father's Day gifts.

VI. Principal's Report

- The new student progress report – that eventually will replace traditional report cards outright – will be sent home with the next standard report card.
- 5th graders will be taking an SOL test in March, which will be preceded and followed by online field tests.
- The NRO desires temporary use of a Cub Run T-shirt for display at one of their upcoming events. The PTA will put Vice Principal Tapper in touch with the Cub Run Spirit Wear chair.
- So that she may care for her ailing husband, Mrs. Steiffer has taken leave of Cub Run. Mrs. Wilson is substituting for her.

VII. Old Business

a. Chairs Needed

To date, no volunteers have come forward to chair the 2 proposed talent shows. Interested parents should contact Haubach at bhaubachpta@verizon.net.

VIII. New Business

a. Nomination Committee

A nomination committee must be put together to produce nominees for the 2012-2013 PTA board. If there are no nominees, the board will likely be dissolved.

IX. Upcoming Events (firm dates)

A separate attachment, 2011-2012 Calendar of Events, was available and distributed at the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 PM

Minutes submitted by Jim Bolton

Date of approval: February 21, 2012