

Cub Run Elementary PTA

General Meeting Minutes February 21, 2012

I. Call to Order

The meeting of the Cub Run Parent Teacher Association was held at Cub Run Elementary School, Centreville, Virginia, on February 21, 2012. The meeting convened at 5:33 PM. President Beth Haubach presiding and Jim Bolton Secretary. A total of 13 attendees were present.

II. Stone Middle School Introduction

Mr. Scott Phillips, Principal, Ormond Stone Middle School, provided attendees with a brief introduction of upcoming events developed to support the needs of Cub Run families with 6th graders headed to Stone in the fall of 2012. Highlights of the events:

- March 15 at 6:30 PM: Stone will host a special parent's orientation to the school.
- Week of March 19: Rising 7th-grade students from schools feeding to Stone will visit the school.
- August 7, 9, 14, & 16 (NOTE: Dates are tentative, to be confirmed soon): On each of these days, 2 Project Panther sessions will be conducted – one from 9 AM – 12 PM, and one from 1 – 4 PM. (The panther is Stone's mascot.) Project Panther is a highly successful 3-hour preparatory orientation for incoming students. NOTE: Student pre-registration for Project Panther is required. A special pamphlet outlining the details of the events will be mailed soon to all appropriate families.

Mr. Phillips also called for volunteers to join the next Stone MS PTA board. Mr. Phillips indicated that at the middle school level, PTA responsibilities were considerably lighter compared to elementary school, and that the recent board has enjoyed a strong performance. Roughly 75% of the current board will be staying on for the 2012-2013 school year, and they are welcoming new members.

Mr. Phillips has been working at Stone for 10 years and has served as the school's principal for the last 4. The number of students expected in the fall will be about 850, which is a more reasonable level than the high of 1350 supported in the past. The school currently has a strong honors program and recently received upgrades to its PE facilities.

III. Secretary's Report

a. PTA Minutes

The minutes from the January 2012 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. Bolton spoke 2/13/12 with Mr. Richard Tyree at www.tax.virginia.gov/NPO; coincidentally he is the agent assigned to the Cub Run PTA case file. He indicated that all looked well but, because of the need for support of contributions solicitation, he mailed the PTA a request of documentation confirming that Cub Run PTA is a member of the Virginia PTA. Bolton contacted an associate with the Fairfax County PTA for this information, and then emailed it to Mr. Tyree. An update will be provided as warranted.

c. 2012-2013 PTA Webmaster

The Cub Run parent who previously expressed interest in serving as the 2012-2013 PTA Webmaster has not responded any of Bolton's queries. Haubach has advertised the position in the February PTA newsletter.

IV. Treasurer's Report

a. Donation to PTA

A former Virginia Run family, new to Cub Run, has presented the Cub Run PTA with a donation check in the amount of \$500.

b. Bingo

The PTA's February Bingo event at Stone Middle School was deemed a success. The event was well-attended and netted the PTA over \$1000.

c. Donation to Cub Run Library

Treasurer Rohland announced that a PTA check to Cub Run – representing the proceeds from recent Scholastic book sales – was recently presented to Principal Coakley. This donation will go towards Cub Run's library.

V. Vice President's Report

a. Movie Night

The Cub Run PTA will host a free family movie night 7 – 9 PM March 16. The movie, *How to Train a Dragon*, will be shown in the Cub Run Gymnasium. Families are welcome to bring blankets and will sit on the floor. Because seating will be limited, a pre-registration flyer need to be completed and submitted prior to the event. Haubach will finalize the flyer with Knabe, have it go home in Wednesday folders, and also will give to Bolton to post to www.CubRunPTA.org.

b. Cub Run Night at Chik-Fil-A

2nd VP Bev Basham will finalize arrangements for this fundraiser event, which will take place 5 – 7 PM on the finalized date. At present, the event may be held either March 22 or 29.

VI. President's Report

a. Thanks

The PTA gratefully expresses thanks to contributors for their efforts in the following:

- Rhonda Crane – Ice Skating event
- Angela Mitolo – Bingo event – This event was successful in part due to the new event location at Stone MS. There was plenty of room for all who attended, and the gracious custodial staff were exceptionally helpful.
- Nancy Render – Spelling Bee event – Sarah Elliot was the winner; she will advance to the county bee held at Hayfield High School.

b. Literacy Night

Haubach and Pam Watson have put together an outline proposal for this event and have given it to Coakley. As comments from teachers are requested; e.g., help define what teachers involvement in the event may be, Coakley will present to the teachers and will try to have a general consensus by March 1 on final program details. At present the event may take place at the end of / last week of April 2012.

c. 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.

d. Spring Fling

The Spring Fling committee has been meeting and plans are underway. The fun run will be amended to also include a new 5K run. Committee members are currently working through all of the county paperwork required to support safety and other factors for the 5K. The Spring Fling will be April 22 and will be held rain or shine.

e. Kid Art

Melissa Verbel has agreed to chair the Kid Art program and will run this event in the Spring of 2012.

f. Original Works

Co-chairs Sabrina Morin and Katrina Koons [sp?] began this program in Cub Run this week. Student creations are expected to begin arriving in mid-March. Morin and Koons are program veterans, having already run the program when they were at Virginia Run ES.

g. Cub Run Mardi Gras Night at Rita's

This event, a fundraiser for the 6th grade end of year party, begins at 6 PM this evening. PTA meeting attendees were encouraged to support the event after meeting adjournment.

VII. Principal's Report

a. Senteo Donation

The local SYA chapter has donated a new Senteo system to Cub Run. This latest addition brings Cub Run's Senteo support to 9 systems.

b. Systems Migration Update

Cub Run today began its phased migration from the SASI platform to the iSIS platform. Soon, all administration of student attendance will be fully online; all grading will be included in the next phase. Target date for migration completion is February 21.

c. Girls on the Run Update

Ms. Kathy Moore and Ms. Tongarm have volunteered to coach Cub Run's Girls on the Run program. A flyer announcing the program will soon go out to all families.

VIII. Old Business

a. Committee Chair Needed

To date, no volunteers have come forward to chair the Talent Show # 1 of 2 for May 4; this show is for Pre-school/HeadStart, 1st, 3rd, 5th graders. Interested parents should contact Haubach ASAP at bhaubachpta@verizon.net.

b. 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. New Business

No new business was discussed.

X. Upcoming Events

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM

Minutes submitted by Jim Bolton

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