

Brea Country Hills PTA Minutes September 5, 2017

Melinda Gutierrez called the Association meeting of Country Hills PTA to order at 7:00 pm in the MPR at Country Hills Elementary School.

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Introductions

Principal's Report: Mrs. Walsh-School Report

- Enrollment continues to grow with 50 new students and total of 575 students
- 19 General Education classes and 2 Special Education Classes
- 2 new teachers Mrs. Morrill (2nd grade) and Mrs. Rollins (Special Education)
- P.E. Started this week and is very successful
- Music classes from Stagelight starts on Wed, and are 30 minutes each and 8 sessions which is up from 6 last year
- Band is also starting soon with info sessions to see what students will be interested
- New additions to front office, Mrs. Ortiz and in health Mrs. Houston

Teacher Representatives: Mrs. Morrill (primary grades) Mrs. Raish (upper grades)

- Mrs. Morrill is very excited to come to Country Hills and is really looking forward to working with students and staff.
- Good start to the school year so far.
- Want to continue the Discovery Science Speaker from last year as it was a great success.
- Starting the Flexible grouping/learning in several classes and students seem to enjoy it
- Would like to have same music and cultural assemblies as they were very much liked last year.

Minutes from June Meeting:

- Minutes from June PTA meeting approved as read

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Treasurer: (Lindy Hunhoff)

- June ending balance of \$19,386.93. Kendee Gardner motioned to ratify check #2407 through check #2426 in the amount of \$10,119.21. Anna Huemoller Second.
- Review 2017-2018 PTA Budget and Approval. Items include Accelerated reading, Mystery Science, STEAM Night, and Grade level Assemblies. Christine Denbo motion to approve and Second by Deana Miller
- Confirmed there were no transactions from July 2017- August 2017

Auditor Report (Kendee Gardner)

- Kendee confirmed that the Year-end Report was true and accurate. Christine Denbo motioned 1st and Second by Deana Miller.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

President (Melinda Gutierrez)

- Reviewed new cash count procedures that state all cash and checks will remain in the office and will be recorded on cash verification form then locked in safe.
- Possible beginning of year expenditures
 - New foldable tables (10) at \$40/ each table to keep total cost under \$500
 - New carpet cleaner to cost \$200-\$250 not to exceed \$300
 - New bouncy balls for classrooms
 - New signage around campus
 - New laminator if current one cannot be repaired
- Still looking for a volunteer to the Art Masters Program that will consist of 4 assembly this year

1st VP Membership (Mrs. Chute)

- New theme this year is "PTA is Sweet" and open enrollment ends on September 15th
- Goal is 100% participation so the first class to hit 100% will get an Ice Cream Party, and each subsequent class that hits 100% goal will receive a popsicle party

2nd VP Way and Means (Bubble Run) and 4th VP Ways and Means Treasurer

Bubble Run Info (Deana)

- Bubble Run will be October 27th and cost to be shared with other schools to help
- Will have very similar prizes that they had last year for color run
- Goal is to raise \$30k and to spread word to get as many sponsors as possible
 - Sponsor packages range from \$250-\$750

Updates to Bubble Run money Collection (Cara)

- Will be using Pledge Star again, and will have a hard deadline to accept the cash and checks for prize distribution

3rd VP Programs

Assemblies (Jodi) – Jodi was not in attendance, but Melinda gave an update.

- There will be anti-Bullying assembly, Character Show and Cultural Dance Show Assemblies.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Hospitality (Jessie)

- Morning mingle was a success, however the PM mingle did not have a large attendance.
 - Idea to move the morning mingle inside to get more exposure, and to possibly have a separate one for the Kindergarten classes

Reflections (Nina)

- The new theme this year is "Within Reach" will have art contest that all the students can enter in different categories
- Top 3 winners in each category will move on and compete higher levels and each student will be recognition for participation.

Spirit Wear (Stacey)

- Flyers went home with students and sales will be between September 11-15th with a Table set up at Back to School night

Community Promotions (Natalie)

- Box Tops to be placed in the Robot in main office
 - Important to include the Box Top order form, and important to put name on them to give credit to correct students
 - Make sure that the Box Tops have the expiration date visible and are not expired
 - Important dates to have Box Tops turned in are November 1st and March 1st
 - Monthly prizes for top students and Ice Cream Party

Fund Raising (Christine)

- Father/Son Event on Friday Night November 3rd at 7pm. Friday Night Lights more information to follow regarding event.
- Book Fair is October 20th-27th with the preview date on Oct 20th, which is only way that library can get new books.
 - Volunteers needed and Sign up Genius will be available

Announcements

September

5-15: PTA Membership Drive
11-15: Spirit Wear Sales
12: Back to School Night
13: Teachers Luncheon
20: School Picture Day
29: Flag Ceremony 8:45an in loop/ Bubble Run Kick Off
TBA: Dine Out for September

October

3: PTA meeting at 7:00 PM in MPR
16-20: Red Ribbon Week
23-27: School Conference Week and Book Fair
27: Flag Ceremony and Bubble Run
31: Halloween Parade
TBA: Reflections Art Contest
TBA: Art Masters Assembly