



**Cedar Grove ES PTA Meeting  
Tuesday, June 7, 2016**

In Attendance: Michele Tregoning, Annie Karp, Chris Jansson, Anita Young, Lori Andrus, Jen Coakley, Lee Derby, Courtney Jones, Karina Hirschhorn, Lori Marshall, Jodi Wilbanks, Nicole Shulman, Rona Han.

**Presidents Report (Michele Tregoning):**

- Michele Tregoning called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

**Secretary's Report (Lori Andrus):**

- We received several thank you notes from the 1<sup>st</sup> grade team, Ms. Gordon, Ms. Cromwell, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade team thanking us for all of the wonderful treats, raffles, & the luncheon during Teacher Appreciation Week. We also received a thank you note from the 1<sup>st</sup> grade team, thanking us for helping supplement the Rosehill Manor field trip. I also received several emails thanking me for the Cello Fury Cultural Arts Assembly.

**Treasurer's Report (Anita Young):**

- Anita reviewed the Profit & Loss statement for May 2016. She then also reviewed the working Budget for this current year, from July 1, 2015-May 31, 2016.
- The Mom's Club of Germantown raised money and donated \$50.00 to our PTA. We have decided to use that money to purchase popsicles for the last day of school for all of the students, as well as for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade picnic.
- We also discussed some last items that will be added, deleted, finalized, etc. to the budget, and we will have final details for our PTA Budget meeting, which is scheduled for the end of June.
- It was requested that the PTA use some money from the "Family Assistance Fund" line item from our budget to help some needy CG kids be able to go to Summer School. We discussed how many children this would benefit, if the County is able to supplement these needy families, how this would affect future budgeting, etc. We were assured that these kids qualified to receive assistance. There was quite a bit of controversy about whether this was the appropriate place to take this money from, and we then discussed that there was extra money not yet spent in the "Activity Sneak Preview Bus" line item. Michele Tregoning then made a motion to change the budget line item "Activity Sneak Preview Bus" to "Summer School Program", and the remaining money from that line item would go toward this need. The motion was seconded by Annie Karp, it was voted on, and all were in favor. This didn't quite cover the deficit that was needed to assist these kids in going to Summer School, so it was then brought up that the Rodell Lee Scholarship was not going to be used this year, so we could possibly use that money for these kids. Michele Tregoning made another motion to use the money from the Rodell Lee Scholarship and use it toward a Scholarship for the kids in need for the Summer School program. Annie Karp seconded the motion, it was voted on, and all were in favor.

### **Staff Liaison's Report (Karina Hirschhorn):**

- Mrs. Gross wanted to thank us profusely for the Teacher Appreciation week. Mrs. Anderson thanked us for the teacher reimbursement funds which are always appreciated.
- Thank you to Lori Andrus for the Cello Fury Assembly – the kids thoroughly enjoyed it and received a lot of positive feedback from it.
- Love having the Book Fair in the Media Center – it really runs well
- Thank you for funding the media center and allowing me to order more popular books. Was able to re-purchase some of the “great/popular” books that take a beating throughout the year.
- Would love to receive some feedback in regards to the Volunteer picnic. We discussed changing the time, to hopefully get a larger turnout, but everyone seemed to agree that the late afternoon was the best timeframe.

### **Principal's Report (Lee Derby):**

- Thank you to Jen Coakley for all of her help with Kindergarten Orientation.
- The Band & Choral concerts were very successful, so thank you to everyone for your help & participation with that.
- Thank you to Mr. Jansson and all of the volunteers for your help with Field Day – it was a lot of fun.
- Family Reading Night is tomorrow night (6:30-8:30pm), along with having the Book Fair open. We are hoping a lot of people will come out to Family Reading night and help prevent the “Summer Slide”.
- The kids will be visiting their next grade level on Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon.
- The 5<sup>th</sup> grade promotion will also be on Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup> in the morning, followed by a reception. If the weather is nice, the reception will be in the courtyard, otherwise held in the APR.
- Mrs. King had some serious health issues and will be out for the remainder of the year. She is planning on being back next year.
- Our baseball field is up for adoption. Clarksburg Baseball wants to adopt our baseball field. They will maintain it to a status higher than we are able to afford, but this also means that they get top priority in using it when they need to.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Spring Dance (Dawn Frazier - read by Michele Tregoning):**

- The event went well and the kids had a great time. There was a bit of a hiccup with another group showing up and claiming they had reserved the APR that night, but it was discovered that they hadn't rented it, and everything worked out.

#### **Silent Auction (Rona Han):**

- This was my first time doing the Silent Auction, so all in all it seemed to go well. Thank to Mrs. Hirschhorn for directing people to the Silent Auction, since we were off on our own. Glad that we were next to the Book Fair so that people at least stumbled upon us.
- An email went out about the prizes, but it wasn't advertised to all as well as it should have been.
- It was also discussed that the Chair for the Silent Auction and the Chair for the Spring Picnic should work more closely together to make sure they are all on the same page.
- Tried out bidding over the phone, only had a couple people do it, but it seemed to work well.

### **Spring Picnic (Keri Bonnett – read by Michele Tregoning & Karina Hirschhorn):**

- Considering the event had to be completely moved from outside to inside at the last minute, the event went extremely well and the kids had a blast. Mrs. Hirschhorn brought up that we need to figure out what to do about reserving extra space, just in case of inclement weather. Unfortunately it costs money to reserve multiple rooms, and we do not receive a refund if any of the areas are not used. We also should figure out having breaks in between things (ie: the Dunk tank, Cake Walk), so that announcements can be made and kids/parents have more of an opportunity to hear what's going on and know where things are located.

### **Old Business / New Business:**

- Thank you to Jen Coakley for chairing the Nominating Committee.
- We now need to vote for our new 2016-17 PTA Board:
  - The nomination for President is Nicole Shulman. Would anyone else like to nominate anyone for the position of President? (No response). All in favor of Nicole Shulman as President? All voted in favor.
  - The nominations for the Co-Vice President positions are Annie Karp and Jodi Wilbanks. Would anyone else like to nominate anyone for the position of Vice President? (No response). All in favor of Annie Karp and Jodi Wilbanks as Co-Vice Presidents? All voted in favor.
  - The nomination for Secretary is Lori Andrus. Would anyone else like to nominate anyone for the position of Secretary? (No response). All in favor of Lori Andrus as Secretary? All voted in favor.
  - The nomination for Treasurer is Mary Cox. Would anyone else like to nominate anyone for the position of Treasurer? (No response). All in favor of Mary Cox as Treasurer? All voted in favor.
- Our bylaws state that any person can only hold a position for 2 consecutive years and our current Vice President, who has been in office for two years, would like to run for a third year. So we would like to amend our bylaws stating so. Jen Coakley made a motion to amend the bylaws. Lori Andrus seconded the motion. No one was opposed. All voted in favor.
- Mr. Derby, Mrs. Jones, and Mrs. Hirschhorn thanked all of us for our time devoted to the PTA Board and welcomed our new 2016-17 PTA Board.

**Michele adjourned the PTA meeting at 8:45pm.**