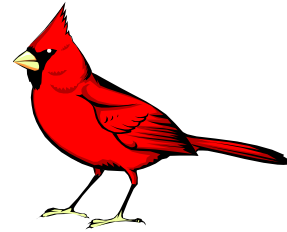


Clifton Elementary School



Clifton Elementary PTA – Meeting Minutes Monday, April 19, 2010

This meeting was called to order by PTA President Patti Hopkins at 3:07 pm

Attendees:

Sydney Sawyer, Ann Jones, Patti Hopkins, Annette Abutayeh, Arthur Polton, Ellen Colter, Lisa Graine, Elizabeth Vittori, Melanie Lessard

Agenda for today's meeting was approved.

Minutes from the March 2010 meeting were approved.

President's Report – Patti Hopkins

- Administrative Appreciation Week – PTA presented flowers to Donna Bradford, Julie Gohl and Marietta Julianne, office administration and Millie Brock (Clinic Aide Appreciation Week) Lunch will be provided for these 4 individuals on Thursday
- Wish List – PTA funded \$12,000. We funded the #1 item for all classroom teachers and for PE, library and technology.
- Fundraising – Considering new ideas – Parent/Staff Basketball games? Volleyball? Discussion centered around safety issues, excessive competitiveness, etc. Would consider an off-site location due to size of the gym. Softball game – parents vs staff? Could include spirit wear. Bake Sale. Will continue to explore possibilities.
- Southwest Regional Planning Committee – Two of the four community engagement meetings have taken place. Two more this week – Monday and Tuesday. Feedback to the committee has focused on 2 issues: 1. “Why are you trying to close a high performing school?” and “Why build a school in an area that won't address the overcrowding?” Participants are broken up into focus groups, most have been well attended by Clifton parents. Reports due to School Board on May 10. Still unclear as to what will be included in the vote that will take place after May 10.

Treasurer's Report – Ann Jones

- Balance: Checking - \$339.92 Savings - \$30,944.45

Principal's Report – Arthur Polton

- Wish list – Items not covered by the PTA will be able to be covered using school funds.
- Staffing - Human resources meeting will take place next Friday. Class size will not be increased next year based on the budget. Not sure what staffing will be next year. Can change over the summer with families moving in/out area
- Administrative Appreciation Week and Clinic Aide Week – Lunch will be provided Thursday.
- Teachers Appreciation Luncheon – May 3
- Kindergarten Orientation – May 10. Enrollment may be up to 40.

- Enrollment - Current enrollment at 367. Many families have transitioned into the area, However, enrollment is down – previously at 370-380. Need to encourage families to enroll now as it can effect staffing for the 2010-2011 school year.

Assistant Principal's Report – Ellen Colter

- Silent Auction – Thank you Lisa and Carrie for a fabulous evening
- Fun Fair – Fantastic! Thank you to all who coordinated the event. 50/50 raffle went well. Many new games – Football, Dart Game and Operation Game.

First Vice President's Report – Annette Abutayeh

- Filling the chair positions for next year

Second Vice President's Report - Elizabeth Vittori

- The rep for Virginia Diner has left – will consider other options in addition to continuing with Virginia Diner.

Committee Reports

- Pennies for Patients– Sydney Sawyer Give amount
- SCA Baby Supply Drive -_Melanie Lessard starts this month. The Kate Hanley Shelter has 20 children under age of 4 – need diapers. Cribs, strollers. Also adult hygiene April 26-may 14
- Crazy Hair Day - Melanie Lessard – April 30
- Turn of fthe TV Week – Sydney Sawyer Starts this week. Poster contest added this year.
- Fun Fair – Concerns that the change in the calendar lead to a reduction in attendance, but revenue was only \$300 difference and Fair was well attended. Silent Auction worked out better in the earlier day. May consider moving fair to Fall – late November/Early December. This year, eight grade civic hours were already completed by the time of the Fair. Other groups needing service hours – Boy Scouts, NHS,

New Business

- PTA Meetings – PTA considering changing the 3:00 pm meeting to 9:30 in the am. Mr. Polton recommended avoiding Wednesdays. Monday am could work.

Old Business - None

Announcements – Next meeting Will be May 10** although subject to change based on school board meeting and the report that is due from SRPC.

Adjournment – Meeting adjourned.3:53 pm.