

MINUTES
Shady Grove Elementary PTA Board Meeting
April 19, 2012

Present: Kaje Stuckey, Stacey McKenna, Tracy Teal, Sally Raderer, Julie Lang, Angela Roupe, Beth Clark, Sue Manley, Melissa Taylor, Shannon Johnson, Sarah Westmoreland, Mary Jordan, Christine Shamus, Justine Sherman, Andi Elliott, Regina Schwab, Crissy Rhyne, Debbie Taylor

Absent: Branton Smith, Esther Black, Lucille Lindamood, Vicki Parlantieri, Brian Levitin, Alison Crowder, Stephannie Marcus, JoElle VanRoekel, Kelly Plageman, Penny Sellers, Deborah Vuturo, Laura Girard, Jennifer Conklin, Deb Holden, Michelle Bone, Lisa Weisner, Colleen Bohlman, Penny Ohman, Delphine Hartsel, Amy Foy

Guests: Mary Wilson

Call to Order (Time - 6:37pm) – Kaje Stuckey

Approval of Minutes-Kaje Stuckey

Motion made by Melissa Taylor to approve the minutes from the March 2012 meeting. Sue Manley seconded the motion. No one opposed. Motion carried.

Correspondence-Stacey McKenna

Board members were reminded to check their mailboxes and to let Stacey know if supplies are needed.

President's Action Items/ Announcements-Kaje Stuckey

*Kaje expressed thanks for being nominated Volunteer of the Year.

*The Nominating Committee has determined a slate of candidates for next year. The slate was presented to the Board. Additionally, the Nominating Committee is proposing a change to the by-laws to reduce the number of County Council positions from 3 to 2 and to increase the number of VP Finance positions from 2 to 3.

Motion made by Sally Raderer to accept the slate of candidates and present them to the general membership to be voted on. Christine Shamus seconded the motion. No one opposed. Motion carried.

Motion made by Beth Clark to accept by-law changes for the County Council & VP Finance positions and present these changes to the general membership to be voted on. Sue Manley seconded the motion. No one opposed. Motion carried.

Principal's Update-Dr. Regina Schwab

*All Henrico County schools received an extra Student Holiday on Friday, April 6.

*The Fourth Graders had their Virginia History Play on Thursday, April 5.

*Information was sent out regarding submitting parent feedback for classroom placement. Letters are due by May 1st.

*Projected enrollment for next year is approximately 638 (down from approximately 730 this year). Dr. Schwab has decided to delay sending out teacher letters until August in case changes occur over the summer.

*Hoping to have information regarding changes to the length of our school day by mid-May.

*Kindergarten registration and the 5th Grade Science Fair are both being held today.

Treasurer's Report- Tracy Teal

*Reviewed and discussed financial report.

*Estimating an excess of \$12,000 at the end of the year. Discussed wish list items.

*Top item on list received from Dr. Schwab is financial support for a new Reading Resource Room. This Reading Resource Room is being organized by a teacher committee and will contain leveled readers to support differentiation in reading levels. It will be shared among all teachers. Teachers will also be doing fundraising to raise money for this effort. Discussed possibility of having a Papa John's Pizza Delivery Night (which would rely on teacher participation) to raise funds specifically for this cause.

*Also discussed using some funds to support our PE Program (including the purchase of a Ga-ga Pit).

NOTE: Significant committee items were discussed during the meeting. All other information was submitted via report. All items are included below.

Executive Committees:

1st VP Programs- Sally Raderer/Julie Lang

*Many thanks to Mr. Brady and the Fourth Grade Team for a wonderful April program, featuring our fabulous fourth graders.

*We will cap our year and celebrate Shady Grove's 20th birthday with a family picnic and concert on May 17. Families are invited to bring their own picnic to enjoy on the grounds starting at 6:00. PTA will provide a celebratory treat to cap off the meal. At 7:00, SGES's Syncopations and Soundsations will perform a casual concert in the Multipurpose Room. Rather than setting up chairs, we invite families to bring their picnic blankets and lawn chairs into the Multipurpose Room for the concert. We will remind families that no food or drink will be permitted inside.

2nd VP Finance- Angela Roupe/Beth Clark

*Papa John's: We won the Massanutten contest by \$3.00. We earned a total of \$273. All of the lead teachers and our principal received mini vacations for two nights and either free golf, 4 water park passes, or 2 lift tickets. Our next PJ nights are May 8-10th.

*Spirit Nights: Our Next Spirit Night is Silver Diner "Run The Diner" Night this coming Monday, April 23rd from 5-8 p.m. We have about 15 teachers that will be there to seat, bus tables, and refill drinks. We are going to have a table set up in the lobby so everyone can sign up for the Eat Well Do Well card. This allows SGES to earn an extra 5% on every sale that night and thereafter every time it's swiped. There will also be a \$10 gift certificate given to you when you sign up to use whenever you want. Silver Diner has graciously offered to host our next teacher luncheon, next month's teacher breakfast, and the teacher breakfast at the beginning of school next year. They have also offered to possibly serve milkshakes at our End of Year picnic if we would like them to. Also, they have given us a check over \$200 to be used toward our P.E., fitness programs from the proceeds that come from their annual fundraiser that they do every August. This centers around their Eat Well Do Well Program. All of the proceeds that come from EWDW profits throughout the year from people swiping their card and from the card being swiped at the Run The Diner Fundraiser are supposed to be used for our P.E. and fitness program. We get a check once a year from these proceeds.

*Box Tops: We are now over \$2,700 for the year.

3rd VP Volunteers- Branton Smith/Sue Manley

*Kaje won volunteer of the year with 15 out of 25 votes. Thank you everyone for helping us out with your nominations and your votes.

*Have met with Mrs. Reynolds about Field Day. The room parents have set up nLists to get volunteers. We agreed that having the PTA Board man a volunteer table out front helped a lot with "crowd control." Sue will be sending out an nList request to the Board. The table will be up from 7:15 a.m. to 1:40 p.m. Mrs. Reynolds usually has a crew that comes help her set up in the morning. If you would like to volunteer to help, please let Branton or Sue know.

4th VP Communications – Melissa Taylor

*No report.

Lay Advisory- Esther Black/Lucille Lindamood

*No report.

County Council- Vicki Parlantieri/Brian Levitin

*No report.

Standing Committees:

After School Programs- Alison Crowder/Stephanie Marcus/JoElle VanRoekel

*No report.

College Scholarship Fund- Kelly Plageman/ShannonJohnson

*Our first annual Rock-A-Thon was a big success. Raised approximately \$6,700 to be used for scholarships. Additionally, approximately \$250 was raised from the sale of t-shirts to be donated to the STEM Lab.

*Over 375 students attended.

*Committee is interested in continuing this event next year, instead of doing the Talent Show.

Cultural Arts/ Education Enhancements- Penny Sellers

*Mary Wilson, who will be leading this committee next year, was introduced.

*Have completed all our cultural arts/science programs for the year. Continue to receive great feedback from the teachers and some parents about these programs. Last month, in addition to several Science Place presentations, the third graders saw “Tales of the Griot”, and the fourth and fifth graders saw “Harriet Tubman”. Both programs follow the SOL guidelines, and present the facts not only in story form, but musically as well. This week, an email was sent to the lead teachers soliciting their ideas for cultural arts/science programs for next year. When we hear back, we’ll work with Dr. Schwab to complete the Cultural Arts Schedule.

Historian-Deborah Vuturo

*No report.

Hospitality-Laura Girard/Jennifer Conklin

*No report.

Legislative-Deb Holden

*No report.

Membership- Michelle Bone

*Membership is currently at 704. We need 720 to reach our goal. Please consider adding a spouse or grandparent so we can reach our goal of 100%.

Outdoor Classroom-Sarah Westmoreland

*The clean-up/workday was a huge success.

*Need to address issues with dying trees and heavy-duty maintenance.

Parliamentarian-Lisa Weisner

*No report.

Reflections- Colleen Bohlman/Mary Jordan

*No report.

Room Parents-Penny Ohman

*Field Day information is being distributed through room parents.

*Fifth Grade Graduation meeting was held and Heidi Collier and Tracy Teal will be the committee chairs.

School Store- Christine Shamus

*No report.

Special Events-Delphine Hartsel

*No report.

Yearbook- Justine Sherman/Andi Elliott/Amy Foy

*The yearbook is done and has been submitted to Jostens for production.

*All yearbooks have been sold. Jostens likely will send additional copies, so Amy is keeping a waiting list for anyone still interested in purchasing. Currently, there are 14 people on the list.

*The books should arrive by early June.

Teacher Reps- Mrs. Rhyne/ Ms. Taylor

*No report.

Time ended: 7:35 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,
Stacey McKenna, Secretary**

**Next Meeting:
Thursday, May 10, 2012
6:30pm**