

**MINUTES**  
**Shady Grove Elementary PTA Board Meeting**  
**November 8, 2012**

**Present:** Sue Manley, Stacey McKenna, Tracy Teal, Sally Raderer, Andrea Wright, Beth Clark, AnnMarie Lobred, Deana Collier, Amy Foy, Anett Crumley, Melissa Taylor, Lucille Lindamood, Cheryl Bemis, Brian Levitin, Karen Wakefield, Alison Crowder, Stephanie Marcus, Laura Girard, Kelly Plageman, Shannon Johnson, Mary Wilson, Carrie Sweeney, Michelle Bone, Diana Tittermary, Amy Jessup, Sarah Westmoreland, Kaje Stuckey, Colleen Bohlman, Esther Black, Christine Shamus, Jenny Conklin, Susan Schools, Justine Sherman, Andi Elliott, Debbie Armstrong, Regina Schwab, Crissy Rhyne, Debbie Taylor

**Absent:**

**Call to Order (Time - 6:32pm) – Sue Manley**

**Approval of Minutes-Sue Manley**

*Motion made by Christine Shamus to approve the minutes from the October 2012 meeting. Lucille Lindamood seconded the motion. No one opposed, motion carried.*

**Correspondence-Stacey McKenna**

\*Several thank you notes from students and teachers were circulated during the meeting.

**President's Action Items/ Announcements-Sue Manley**

\*Bylaws vote needed between Nov. 21 and Nov. 27 (cannot be by survey monkey). Will include in current blast a note that meeting will occur Nov. 20th – need 25 members to get a quorum

\*Status of redistricting: School board met today to review 3 options: Option #1 has Shady Grove as-is; Option #2 removes Nuckols neighborhoods and adds Dominion Hills & Hampshire; Option #3 removes Nuckols neighborhoods and adds Dominion Hills & Shady Ridge. Newspaper article says there will be another community input forum Dec. 6 but HCPS website does not. School Board to make final decision Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>.

\*Mrs. Daniels has agreed to be in charge of the pop tops collection for this year.

\*Acquisitions: New bylaws will require GM vote for anything over \$300. Things we need to consider:

1. Basketball hoop installation = \$900 (\$50 hoop). Will put info in blast asking for a contractor who can help.
2. Walkie Talkies – probably \$50/set

*Motion made by Tracy Teal to allocate \$150 towards the purchase of 3 sets of walkie talkies for the teachers to use on the playground. Christine Shamus seconded the motion. No one opposed, motion carried.*

3. Gaga pit flooring – depends on material used

4. Chargers for iPads - will need approximately \$2,000 for a charging cart.

*Motion made by Ann Marie Lobred to move \$800 to STEM Lab support in order to start funding the chargers. Amy Foy seconded the motion. No one opposed, motion carried.*

\*Henrico Citizen's "Top Teacher" nomination period open until Nov. 30th

\*Change in original schedule for Dec. PTA meetings. Now, no Board Meeting, but a GM meeting Dec. 13th with 5th grade musical. Next PTA Board Meeting will be January 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Principal's Update-Dr. Regina Schwab**

\*Great response to parent conferences.

\*Veterans Day assembly was held on Monday.

\*Pep rally will be held on 11/16.

\*Students will have a half day on 11/21.

\*There will be a parent coffee on 11/30 regarding the SOL waiver.

**Treasurer's Report- Tracy Teal**

\*The monthly financial report was distributed.

**Executive Committees:**

### **1<sup>st</sup> VP Programs- Sally Raderer/Andrea Wright**

\*STEM Night was a huge success!

### **2<sup>nd</sup> VP Finance- Beth Clark/AnnMarie Lobred/Deana Collier**

\*Upcoming Barnes and Nobles Book Fair – set for Wednesday December 5<sup>th</sup>; Syncopations will be performing; Teachers will be reading in 10 minute increments.

\*A total of 17,694 Box Tops were submitted, which is more than we submitted last fall at 17,571. Ms. Venueza's class won the challenge for K-2 and Ms. Smallwood & Ms. Dugger's classrooms were both declared winners for 3-5. We are now collecting for the Spring Challenge. New collections sheets will be sent home this week. If you have not already done so, please sign up at [boxtopsforeducation.com](http://boxtopsforeducation.com).

\*Check Writing Campaign: \$30,156 without matching donors, a record amount collected; 77% of our students participating, a record percentage participating; 220 Cardinal Donors this year, a record number of Cardinal Donors; Mrs. Smallwood and Mrs. Daniel's classes have won free ice cream parties with 100% participation

### **3<sup>rd</sup> VP Volunteers- Amy Foy/Anett Crumley**

\*No report.

### **4<sup>th</sup> VP Communications – Melissa Taylor**

\*Remember to get information to Melissa for blasts.

### **Lay Advisory- Lucille Lindamood/Cheryl Bemis**

\*The County is establishing a Math Advisory Council that will be comprised of parents, teachers, administrators and college professors. Their first meeting is Nov. 19th. The council will research and review how Henrico County Public Schools is delivering the math program.

### **County Council- Brian Levitin/Karen Wakefield**

\*October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Autism awareness month, Dyslexia awareness, and Bully Prevention month

\*Next week is National school lunch week and they passed out a flyer about it, they are encouraging family meals eaten together (just realized the flyer was actually for Middle and High schools)

\*Next week will also be school bus safety week.

\*Reflections Workshop Info: Only need participants name, grade level, and category... they've changed the form(s) to be filled out; They switched from a handwritten form to online due to difficulty in reading submissions; There can be no ties for the 1st place winner; There CAN be a tie for 2nd and 3rd place (or even multiple winners)

\*Membership Workshop Info: Payments for dues are recommended to be Dec. 1st, March 1, and June 30th

### **Standing Committees:**

#### **After School Programs- Alison Crowder/Stephanie Marcus/Laura Girard**

\*No report.

#### **College Scholarship Fund- Kelly Plageman/Shannon Johnson**

\*The Rock-A-Thon will be held on Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup>.

\*It will work the same way as last year as far as , times, pledge forms, same D.J., photo booths etc...

\*New Concept this year, "Own the Stage", an opportunity for Third thru fifth graders to perform in group ensembles in front of their peers. More info is coming home to the third/fifth graders starting next week.

\*We will be selling Rock A Thon spirit wear, (researching "elite socks" for boys and something else for girls. Last year proceeds went to STEM lab, this year we would like to have funds go to either a charging cart for ipads or ga-ga pit flooring.

#### **Cultural Arts/ Education Enhancements- Mary Wilson**

\*No report.

#### **Hospitality-Carrie Sweeney/Michelle Bone**

\*Our October Tailgating Luncheon was a huge success! The PTA provided baked and fried chicken and our wonderful volunteers provided lots of yummy side dishes, desserts and raffle items.

\*Our next event is the annual Thanksgiving Luncheon. We are providing the turkey and have lots of volunteers ready to bring in all sorts of family recipe dishes.

**Legislative-Diana Tittermary (absent, report read by Stacey McKenna)**

\*Legislation voting is done and information was sent in on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. We had 101 voters.

**Membership- Amy Jessup**

\*Still encouraging people to join. We are 41 members short of our 100% goal.

**Outdoor Classroom-Sarah Westmoreland**

\*Our fall activity will be bulb planting (Journey North)

\*Our winter activity will be the bird feeders (Cardinal Café). Looking for volunteers to help out with this.

\*Need help reviewing signs that have been drafted for the outdoor classroom.

\*Need a committee to help assess the trees on our property.

**Parliamentarian-Kaje Stuckey**

\*The new/updated bylaws are on the website for review. They must be available for 30 days before approval by the general membership. Sue Manley can speak to that time frame as she has been in contact with the State PTA on what we do next. Thank you to Jody Floegel, Lucille Lindamood and Melissa Taylor who served on the bylaw review committee.

\*Hope to have the directory done in the next few weeks.

\*Redistrictin: The Committee presented 3 different maps to the School Board today at 2pm. Right away the School Board removed the 3rd suggested map due to some of the funding changes it would create for Ridge Elementary. They are now having the HCPS staff look at those 2 maps and possibly do some combining to make a possible 3rd map. December 6 at Hermitage High School will be an open comment forum to the school BOARD (not us committee) -- prior to that possible maps will be put on the Redistricting website for the public to review and prepare suggestions/comments.

**Reflections- Colleen Bohlman/Mary Wilson**

\*Entries are due to Henrico County by 4:30 PM on Friday - our 10 first place entries were turned in on Wednesday afternoon. This year we had 148 total entries - up from 91 last year. This is back to normal, so the lighter theme seems to have helped. We had entries in 6 of 7 categories (no Special Artist). Participation in Literature and from our younger students is down.

\*The online system created for registering our participation as a PTA and capturing student entry paperwork seems to be having a lot of challenges.

\*Reception is next Thursday - We are working steadily to get all the art ready for display and may need some additional volunteers.

**Room Parents-Esther Black**

\*No report.

**School Store- Christine Shamus**

\*No report.

**Spirit Wear-Jenny Conklin**

\*No report.

**STEM Lab Coordinator-Susan Schools (absent, report read by Stacey McKenna)**

\*STEM Lab is in need of photos from the STEM Night in October. Please forward any photos directly to Crissy Lynn.

**Yearbook- Justine Sherman/Andi Elliott/Debbie Armstrong**

\*No report.

**Silent Auction – Angela Roupe, Mary Sue McClintock**

\*An nList has been set up for donations.

**Teacher Reps- Ms. Lynn/ Ms. Taylor**

\*Crissy Lynn expressed her appreciation for the PTA's help with the STEM Night in October

**Time ended: 7:33 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Stacey McKenna, Secretary**

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