

**MINUTES FROM THE 10/4/2011 PTA Meeting
Sleepy Hollow Elementary School**

Board Members Present:

Craig Rowland, Alison Oleson, Katherine Bates, Sally Masri, Sue Kampschorr, Caoilfhionn Machabee, Miranda Thomas, Karen LaCrosse, Kiersten Van Hooser

Committee Chairpersons Present:

Debbie Ratliff, Caroline Morel, Jane Cheek

Principal's Report: Craig Rowland

-Specialist Night Tonight – parents invited to visit specialists' classrooms and meet the teachers.

-Calendar:

-Custodian Appreciation Week (10/10 – 10/14)

-Marine Band – Quartet (free for the school) (10/14)

-School Pictures – (10/25)

-Magical Math Tour Assembly (10/27) – this is the first cultural assembly for the year. Will also recognize Summer Reading students. Original assembly was canceled because of the hurricane day.

-New Staff:

-Amber Curtis

-Stephanie Wishmyer – Kindergarten Instructional Assistant

-Kendra Chapman – Instructional Coach (shared with Little Run ES)

-We now have 2 full-time PE teachers.

-Building and Grounds

-Dolphin Cove Quad classrooms for the 3rd grade this year.

-a vinyl curtain was purchased to separate classes on the days it is necessary to split the gym for 2 classes.

-School Bond on Nov Ballot – other schools supported us in the past, please support them on the school bond.

-Progress Report

-a new report card system will be implemented – being field tested at 10 schools (not at SHES), full roll out in 2012-13. Samples distributed at meeting.

President's Report:

-thank you for the work on the Back to School Picnic, although it had to be canceled due to rain.

-new principal selection panel (10/5)

-send information for newsletter to Rachael

-new date for ADA walk (Nov. 4)

-Partners in Print and Barnes and Noble Night – date is possibly 11/22 or Thursday before Thanksgiving...

-pros and cons of List Serv/Yahoo Groups discussed. Focus is on reaching out not only only PTA members, but community at large.

-Auction: need to find new Auction Committee Heads. Possibility of a second Dollars for Dolphins-type fundraiser was discussed, instead of auction.

-plans for evening events: meet the new principal after PTA meeting in December, will attempt to have a parent workshop/speaker every other month at meetings.

1st VP Report:

-Odyssey of the Mind – upcoming introduction meeting scheduled for October.

2nd VP Report:

-Directory: last chance to be in the Directory – Friday. Implemented a new tear-out coupon page.

Treasurer Report:

-Budget: year's budget was handed out and voted on and unanimously approved as is. There is a lot of money carrying over - we budgeted last year to lose money, but actually made money instead. Budgeted \$16,000 last year and made \$35,000. One change is that the printing of the Odyssey will cost money this year.

Dolphin Academy:

-might need to cancel one or two, some might split into groups. There are 177 slots this year. Tennis is a new vendor.

Membership:

-Currently there are 193 members, last year there were 200.

Dollars for Dolphins:

-Our goal was \$8,000. We have already received \$8,680, thus reaching our goal. Last year's grand total was \$10,000.

Teachers Report:

-Mrs. Howell needs parents to help with the garden.

[minutes taken by Caoilfhionn Machabee]