

HOME & SCHOOL

River Woods Elementary School

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GENERAL MEETING **MINUTES**

May 9th at 7:00pm

Volunteer Appreciation

- I. Secretary's Report - Becca McIlwee
 - A. [Review Minutes from General Home & School Meeting on April 11th](#)

Approved by: Julie Wolk and Huma Adnan

- B. 2024-2025 Executive Board Slate Vote
 - a. Co-President- Jacki Chaidez
 - b. Co-President- Meredith Pollack
 - c. Vice President- Dawn Gambini
 - d. Secretary- Becca McIlwee
 - e. Treasurer- Becky Wolski

Approved by: Meghan Grimley and Aneta Zhang

All were in favor

- II. Treasurer's Report - Becky Wolski
 - A. [April Budget Activities](#)

Had a lot come in this month because of Adult Social

Approved dirt for the Garden Club

Last Carnival payment was made

15 Staff members have not submitted receipts and the deadline is tomorrow (5/10))

Ordered 56 fifth grade signs

B. [Treasury Details to Share](#)

Questions:

Meghan Grimley asked for clarification on the different packet numbers in regards to funds earned from Adult Social. On the monthly budget packet it shows Adult Social earned \$6,505 and on the treasury details packet it shows Adult Social earning \$11,280.33

- They will not be the exact same yet because the Zeffy payout hasn't been given to us yet so it won't reflect in last month's updates

Denise Manansala had a Spirit Wear question between the two packet numbers(monthly budget and treasury details) and the discrepancy between the numbers.

- Becky was going to look into the discrepancy and get back to her but at the end of the meeting it was already determined by Becky that the discrepancy had to do with the bulk of kindergarten shirts that were ordered.

She would like to see what the numbers were for last year to compare. She also has a few ideas for next year to better market Spirit Wear to increase sales.

Veronica Gordon asked how much will Carnival have to run the event?

-\$5,000

C. Money Market Account Update

Switched from BMO Harris Bank to Huntingtown Bank money market account which is doing much better on earning money

D. New [Deposit Form](#) and [Cash Disbursement Form](#)

New forms for both

Disbursement form now includes Zelle

E. [Proposed Budget](#) and Vote

Approved by Dawn Gambini and Huma Adnan

Majority were in favor
1 was opposed (Meghan Grimley)

III. Vice President's Report - Meredith Pollack

IV. President's Report - Jacki Chadez

A. Teacher Appreciation Week

B. Field Day

C. Bylaw Updates and Vote

Motion to approve by Alisha Waters and Meghan Grimley

D. Open Chair Positions

- Book Fair/LC Volunteer Coordinator
- Carnival (at least 2)
- Dine Out
- Veteran's Day Co-Chair
- Watchdogs

V. Principal's Report - Gina Baumgartner

A. Appreciation

B. Field Day (May 17/May 21) Popsicles, Volunteers

C. End of Year Activities:

- a. Yearbooks ~ May 20 (Maybe 21st delivery)
- b. Fly Up Day ~ May 22
- c. Grade 5 Breakfast ~ May 23
- d. End of Year Assembly ~ May 23
- e. Clap Out Day ~ May 23

D. Start of 2024-25

- a. K Connections ~ Aug. 1 Aug 1st sell tshirts?
- b. New Student Tours ~ Aug 7th (9-10 & 3-4)
- c. Meet & Greet ~ Aug 12 (2-3)
- d. First Day of School ~ August 15
- e. Fun Run!

VI. Teacher Liaison

1. Appreciation

VII. Chair Updates

Yearbook:

- Could raise the price to make a profit since we do not currently make a profit (many felt that it wasn't needed)
- Julie Wolk has a co-chair finally and will be utilizing volunteers to capture certain events throughout the year that will be add to the completed yearbook

Hospitality:

- Spoke on a better way of asking families for donations

Other discussions:

Veronica Gordon expressed that she felt fundraiser fatigue this year and many expressed feeling the same way. The group had a discussion on how to rectify this which included a few ideas:

- Dine Outs once every three months
- Creating a predictable schedule for Dine Outs (ex 1st Monday of every month)
- Dine Outs should not be scheduled on Thursday evenings since many school related functions are schedule on Thursday evenings (Meghan Grimley expressed that she tried to eat at Lazy Dog for a Dine Out fundraiser and get to the school for Game Night on the same evening)
- To include what was made off of the month's Dine Out fundraiser in the School News email
- Some how make the Dine Outs more connected/meaningful such as focusing on a culture

Motion to adjourn by Alisha Waters and Meghan Grimley

*After the meeting it was brought up that the Spirit Wear chair and Hospitality chair could benefit from becoming admins on the Home&School Facebook page

Attendance:

Dawn Gambini, Meredith Pollack, Becky Wolski, Jacki Chaidez, Denise & Jack Manansala, Aneta Zhang, Julie Wolk, Becca McIlwee, Alisha Waters, Huma Adnan, Meghan Grimley, Aubrie Ferguson (zoom), Erin Hammons (zoom)