

Nevada PTA Minutes ~ September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
6:00 p.m. Central Elementary Library



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1 **Call to Order:** Emily Coussens called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

**Attendance:** Emily Coussens, Kristen Wall, Kedra Hamilton, Lisa Johnson, Charmi Geerdes, Courtney Kline, Teresa Wheelock, Heather Petersen, Amy Clore, Beth Safranski Derrick, Mindy Buyck, Kristin Hanson, Ashlee Lamberson, Renae Lindemann, Ashley Moffitt, Emily DeYoung, Emily Hambly, Billie Welch, Katie Baker, Maryann Ryan, Angela Fritz

**1.1 Welcome**

Introductions were made and attendees were asked if the summer was long enough for them & their family.

**1.2 Approve Agenda**

Motion to approve the Agenda made by Courtney Kline, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Renae Lindemann. Motion passed.

**1.3 May Minutes**

Motion to approve the May Minutes made by Courtney Kline, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Heather Petersen. Motion passed.

**1.4 Treasurer's Report**

Tabled to discuss along with agenda item 3.2.

**1.5 Teacher Drawing**

Lisa Johnson won a \$20 gift certificate to Amazon.

2. **Unfinished Business**

**2.1 Summer Events Committee**

Charmi Geerdes provided an update on the Summer Events. The pool party had almost 130 kids in attendance with their families. Based on feedback from last year's event the time for the movie was earlier. There was a concern it was too early however around 135 people were able to attend & watch The Lego Movie. The PTA also had a large crowd in attendance to participate in the Lincoln Highway Days parade where this year a truck was used along with new PTA signs donated by Nevada Vision Clinic. Any feedback is appreciated and can be sent to the PTA e-mail address.

**2.2 Fall Kick-Off Membership Committee**

Kedra Hamilton provided an update on the Fall Kick-Off Committee. The goal was to have 100 members this year and we are currently close to 70 members which is an increase from last year. New this year is the Nevada PTA business partnerships. There is no cost for the business to participate with the hope this would help increase membership while at the same time help support local businesses. Nevada PTA is currently partnered with 7 businesses & details for each can be found on the Nevada Iowa Facebook page.

Members will receive a membership card this year that they can present to these businesses to receive the special offer. Membership cards will be passed out at meetings or arranged to be picked up/sent home with children to save on postage.

### **3. New Business**

#### **3.1 Halloween Costume Swap**

Decision was made at the May meeting to hold another Halloween Costume Swap with a date of October 14<sup>th</sup> set. Request extended at this meeting for co-chairs with Heather Petersen, Charmi Geerdes & Billie Welch volunteering.

#### **3.2 2014-2015 Budget**

Angela Fritz presented the 2014-15 budget proposal. Discussion centered around the Cub Pride t-shirts with thoughts of needing numbers of new students/preschoolers, possibly doing a t-shirt swap and also reintroducing the t-shirt sales. If t-shirt sales were to be brought back Courtney Kline expressed interest in being a co-chair. Renae Lindemann made a motion to approve the budget with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Courtney Kline. All approved, motion passed.

#### **3.3 Open House**

Open House is October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 and a request was made for co-chairs for this event. Amy Clore, Courtney Kline & Kedra Hamilton volunteered.

#### **3.4 Butter Braids**

Maryann Ryan will be chairing the Butter Braids for 2014 with Emily Coussens as co-chair. Samples will be provided at the Open House on October 2<sup>nd</sup> with a request of more due to running out early last year. The envelopes are already at the office to be distributed to teachers but will not go home with students until October 3<sup>rd</sup> with a due date to be returned of October 17<sup>th</sup>. Delivery night will be November 11<sup>th</sup>. A few changes will take place this year with the hopes of increased efficiency as the office staff have agreed to help with some items. They will print labels that will include all the necessary information to go on the forms as well as they will be doing the data entry of the forms after Maryann performs her review. Thus, the need of a data entry night for this year's event was not necessary.

#### **3.5 Looking Forward**

Emily Coussens reminded all members that this is the final year for the PTA board in their present positions. If anyone expresses interest in finding out what the board members do then Emily expressed this year is a perfect opportunity to shadow or learn. Emily stated all events will need to have at least two chairs and if it is an event involving the PTA receiving money either the President or the Treasurer would need to be a chair. All future events for this school year as well as binders were shared with attendees to start thinking about any they wanted to be involved in. Renae Lindemann suggested a list be gathered of all events along with any that still need chairs.

#### **3.6 Meeting Meals**

Reimbursement for meeting meals is \$45 and a sign-up sheet was passed around to gather volunteers to supply this year's future meeting meals.

### **4. Announcements**

**4.1 Next PTA Meeting:** October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**4.2 Next Meal Provided by:** Courtney Kline

#### **4.3 Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn at 6:59 p.m. made by Renae Lindemann, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Courtney Kline. Motion passed.