

Nevada PTA Minutes ~ May 1, 2017  
6:00 p.m. Central Elementary Library



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1. **Call to Order:** Emily DeYoung called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Attendance:** Emily DeYoung, Beth Safranski Derrick, Stephanie Spence, Lisa Johnson, Teresa Wheelock, Kim Stephens, Gentri Barton, Tanya Sorem, Maryann Ryan, Amber Olson, Allison Boswell, Emily Coussens, Cindy Wooledge, Mickolyn Clapper, Christina deNeui

**1.1 Welcome**

Attendees introduced themselves, sharing names and favorite thing about PTA this year. We met the new Central Elementary Principal, Christina deNeui. Welcome back to this former Nevadan!

**1.2 Approve Agenda**

Teresa Wheelock moved to approve the agenda; Lisa Johnson seconded. Motion passed.

**1.3 April Minutes**

Correction to attendance/allergy speaker--last name is "Wooledge". Courtney Kline moved to approve April minutes; 2nd by Gentri Barton. Motion passed.

**1.4 Treasurer's Report**

After-Prom Committee will leave about \$4,000 to start next year's committee. Teacher Appreciation and Memory Book outgo of around \$1,630--not yet paid. \$1,750 has been collected for Memory Books, which will cover the estimated \$1,088.50 to AEA for printing them. Courtney Kline moved to approve treasurer's report; Emily Coussens seconded. Motion passed.

**1.5 Teacher Drawing**

Mickolyn Clapper won the \$10 teacher gift card to Fareway.

2. **Unfinished Business**

**2.1 Teacher Appreciation**

All teachers and the bus barn received Dottie's Donuts on Monday. Both the middle school and elementary received a Keurig coffee maker this morning; the high school got a microwave. Tuesday teachers will get gum ("thank you for 'chewing' Nevada"); Wednesday 20 dozen snacks each for the middle and high schools and 30 dozen snacks for the elementary donated by parents through the SignUpGenius will be distributed. Thursday they will receive magnetic notepads. Friday the Nevada planner calendars, printed with the cub paw, will be given to each teacher. Calendars cost \$1,649.52 (\$1,700 budgeted). NCRC will get \$5 gift cards. Next year, planner refills can be purchased, which will save money (no special printing for cover).

## **2.2 After-Prom**

Committee Treasurer/PTA Liaison Emily Coussens reported the April 29-30 event went well. Attendees had fun, playing human foosball and other games. Food was distributed from “cute” ‘food trucks’. Although the hypnotist was popular, some teens thought the performer should be advised to be more “politically correct” next year. Emily Coussens will create the notebook to help advise next year’s parents.

## **2.3 PTA Scholarship Committee**

Courtney Kline reported applications due April 28 were picked up today. The committee will go through them Wednesday and choose up to six to interview. Selected applicants will use a SignUpGenius to choose a May 17 slot for interviews.

## **2.4 Central Yearbook**

Amber Olson said 350 memory books have been ordered for \$5.00 apiece. AEA will charge \$3.11 each. Amber asked about providing memory books to Central teachers and staff--around 100 people. Emily Coussens made a motion to use profits from the memory book--up to \$350.00 total--to buy teachers and staff copies of the book. Teresa Wheelock seconded. Motion passed. Amber will work on finding total number of teachers/staff who want a memory book.

## **2.5 Summer Events Committee**

Budget for summer events was \$500, according to Chair Stephanie Spence. The rental alone is \$200 for a mid-July pool party. Stephanie would like to expand it to include some food like hot dogs. After discussion, Courtney Kline moved to raise the budget up to \$1,000 with the stipulation that the committee would seek donations from businesses and parents first. Teresa Wheelock seconded. Motion passed.

## **2.6 Fall Kick-off Committee**

Fall Kick-off is scheduled for September 17. Although not yet planned, Chair Kimberly Stephens said we may repeat last year’s potluck.

## **2.7 End-of-Year Disbursement**

President Emily DeYoung presented several options for how PTA could award end-of-year disbursements. Possibilities included PTA keeping half our funds as seed money for next year, and dividing the remaining half among the three buildings. Perhaps half to the elementary and a quarter-each to the high school and middle school. We have a total of \$9,100 to disburse, around \$4,500 to award. It was suggested we could disburse a particular amount per building by number of students. One-third could be awarded to each building. PTA will receive the City of Nevada grant in July for \$4,600. If PTA kept \$3,900, we could divide the rest among the schools and still have operating capital to start next year. Courtney Kline moved to divide \$5,100 by giving each school \$1,700 and PTA keeping \$3,900. Emily Coussens seconded the motion. Motion passed.

## **2.8 New Officer Elections**

Vice-President Stephanie Spence resigned to run for PTA President. There were two candidates for Vice-President and one for Secretary on the ballots handed out by Nomination Committee Lisa Johnson and Teresa Wheelock. Members voted and returned their folded ballots to the committee for counting.

## **3. New Business**

### **3.1 Dates for PTA Events 2017-2018**

Emily DeYoung presented PTA dates for next year, for which she submitted facilities requests. Meeting reservations are first Monday except for non-school days. Conference times are assigned at each building. Other events PTA traditionally hosts such as pool party; back-to-school night booth; Lincoln Highway Days parade; Fall Kick-Off activity; Snowflake Party; and Carnival are on the calendar (can be changed with facility availability). Butter Braids need to be added; Chair Maryann

Ryan will check about Open House for tasting or if we will not cue dates off that this year. Other events such as costume swap, book swap, etc. can be added with volunteers.

### **3.2 PTA Officer Election Results**

Nominating Committee announced PTA Officer Election results: President Stephanie Spence (two-year term); Vice-President Gentri Barton (one-year term); Secretary Courtney Kline (two-year term). Kimberly Stephens will continue as Treasurer, completing her term in May, 2018. Congratulations and thank you!

## **4. Announcements**

PTA received a thank you from Step Into Storybooks for their assistance with the recent event.

### **4.1 Book Fair**

Sales are scheduled for Thursday, May 4; Monday, May 8; and Tuesday, May 9. A SignUpGenius will be available to help with shifts from 3:00 pm-8:00 pm. Set-up is the most labor-intensive if people want to come help for a short but really helpful time.

### **4.2 May Conference Meals**

Allison Boswell said we still need a few things for the "May the Fourth Be With You" theme high school conference meal. Emily DeYoung volunteered to clean up. Courtney Kline will make pasta noodles. Allison gave her some coupons for Barilla pasta provided by a parent who wanted to help. We could also use breadsticks and a "Star Wars" theme snack if you are so inclined.

### **4.3 Central Elementary Parent Night**

Dr. Warren Phillips returns for a May 16 event about ADHD. Assistance would be appreciated serving pizza and providing childcare during his 6:00-7:00 talk.

**4.4 Next PTA Meeting:** September 11, 2017

**4.5 Next PTA Meeting Meal:** TBA

### **4.6 Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn made by Teresa Wheelock; 2nd by Courtney Kline. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.