

## Highlands PTA Meeting April 3, 2008

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm  
18 people present

Minutes approved from March 6<sup>th</sup> meeting  
Brief introductions around the room

**Treasurer:** Mark Hinman

- \$78,000 between both accounts
- \$16,000 expense on K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade computers
- \$12,000 expense for Bellworks
- \$2000 left to pay on Yearbook
- Teacher Appreciation Week expenses?
- May have \$45,000 after all expenses
- Ratify Checks # 3802 – 3839 (April). **Motion made to ratify Checks # 3802 – 3839. Motion Approved.**

**Principal:** Ms. Tucker

- Welcome back from Spring Break!
- STAR Testing begins April 28<sup>th</sup> – children should get to bed early and eat a good breakfast
- “Turn off the TV Week”
- May 17<sup>th</sup> - Beautification Day (several Brownie Troops want to participate)
- Would like to purchase the Renzulli Learning System, a web-based program that assesses the students’ strengths, interests, and learning styles. Beneficial for both GATE and non-GATE students. Parents would also be able to access this program at home.

**Teacher’s Report:** Rena Burks

- Very thankful for the Teacher Wish Lists (Amy La Sala)
- When will the Teacher Funds be opened up?

**Old Business:**

- Nominating Committee- Sarah Hinman  
Second VP position is still open
- Reading Incentive Program- Liz Marigold  
The children are enjoying the prizes, will extend through April 18<sup>th</sup>
- Audits- Angie Muniz  
Everything is reconciled but they still need to get done.
- Author Assembly was great! PTA funded the event.
- Petting zoo- Kids loved it per Vi Ibarra
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Camp- Mrs. Batesole

We are one of the few schools that go to Camp. It was a great experience. Let's keep it!

### **New Business:**

- Teacher's Fund opens up on April 14<sup>th</sup> and ends on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Open ended amount
- Teacher Appreciation Week- Jo Newbigging  
April 14<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> (There will be a breakfast on Monday and a luncheon on Friday.)
- After School Enrichment Programs- Natalie Stark  
Starting Little League Basketball
- Brandon Mull- Author Assembly for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades
- Constant Contact- Thank you Kristin Kupsh!  
Training was held today. We will begin sending newsletters via e-mail with specific notices. We will eventually have one teacher per grade trained on the system. No more paper pollution!
- The District received a grant to house our P.E. equipment in a shed. Tuff Shed is to set up on the blacktop. It will be 10' x 10', about \$3000 per the District.
- Art Room may be taken away if we need the additional classroom space.

### **Upcoming Events:**

- April 4<sup>th</sup>- Family Movie Night- Evelyn Wullner  
"Alvin and the Chipmunks" will be featured and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students next year will be selling pizza, water, and soda. Doors open at 6:30 pm.
- April 4<sup>th</sup>- Mountain View Elementary Silent Auction, Vi Ibarra  
Supports the Sensory Integration Room for Special Needs children
- April 11<sup>th</sup>- Scrap booking/Craft Night from 4 pm – 9 pm
- May 23<sup>rd</sup>- Stargazing Night and BBQ
- May 29<sup>th</sup>- Basket Raffle/Open House

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm