

Minutes from the PTA Meeting, Sept. 29, 2009 at Beacon Hill International School

6:30 PM Potluck Dinner

6:55 PM Meeting called to order by PTA President, Maythia Airhart

Dr. Susie Murphy, Principal, directs children to the gym.

She reminds the group about Wednesday's early dismissal.

She talks about the school's commitment to health and safety, emphasizing pick-up areas and one door for entry into the school building.

She reminds the group about November Parent-Teacher conferences. There will be no school on Nov. 23-25, 2009.

Finally, Dr. Murphy reminds the group about the New Student Assignment Plan. She urges parents to attend a public meeting and find out about new boundary lines and the change in sibling policy for attendance area schools.

7:10 PM Maythia introduces the officers of the PTA: Jill Davies, Membership Chair, Allison Delong and Erin Musser, Fundraising Committee Co-Chairs, Leslie Stewart, Treasurer, and Dave McGeoy, Legislative Chair, also vice-president elect. He has helped in the lunchroom composting project.

She also acknowledges Jason Zinschlag for his help on the school's website, Curtis Bonney for taking over the school's newsletter, and Nancy Fujimoto for being an awesome Volunteer Coordinator.

7:18 PM Leslie Stewart discusses the budget. She also answers a question about Annual Fund Campaigns that allow donors to contribute to the school or the school's PTA. She says PTA, definitely.

7:24 PM Jill Davis discusses PTA Membership.

7:26 PM Allison Delong and Erin Musser discuss the next fund raiser, the first Walk-a-thon. They urge families to get involved in this event.

They also point out the Chinook books for sale, that \$10 out of the \$20 price goes to the school's PTA.

7:35 PM Noemi discusses Latino Family Involvement meetings. Guadalupe is introduced.

7:38 PM Dr. Murphy introduces staff and Vista Corps volunteers in attendance.

7:45 PM Maythia names vacant positions in the PTA and two are filled.

Motion to vote Sung Lee as secretary, was seconded, and all was in favor.

Motion to vote Dave McGeoy as VP, was seconded, and all was in favor.

7:48 PM Dr. Murphy discusses BHIS' former sister school in Nicaragua.

Several staff members have visited this remote school.

Natalie Long, Family Support Worker, talks about her experiences there and shows a slide show. She concludes with funny, personal stories.

7:56 PM Meeting is concluded by Maythia. She encourages families to stay and chat, and buy BHIS logo wear and Chinook books, before picking up their children in the gym.