

**Bonita Canyon PTA
General Association Meeting Minutes
February 1, 2008**

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order in the MPR at 8:30am by President Jan Hilliard.

Meeting Attendance:

The attached sheet shows attendees.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from the November 7, 2007 General Meeting were approved as presented.

By-Laws Approval

A motion was made by Melanie Shane to accept the newly revised By-Laws as presented. Motion seconded and carried.

BOARD REPORTS

Treasurer: Jan Hilliard for Donna Saito

- The Treasurer's Report through December 31, 2007 was presented. The ending balance for the checking account was \$92,139.49. The ending balance for the money market account was \$4,136.17. The ending balance for the business savings account was \$95,976.61. Total assets as of December 31, 2007 were \$192,252.27. **A motion was made by Melanie Shane to accept the Treasurer's Report as present. Motion was seconded and carried.**
- **A motion was made by Melanie Shane to approve the payment of expenses through March within the limits of the budget. Motion was seconded and carried.**

Ways and Means: Kristen Bush

- The Spring Fundraiser will be held on March 7, 2008. Donation and underwriting forms are available. Classroom baskets are being eliminated this year; a wine auction will be held instead. Donations for the wine and live auctions are being solicited. A raffle to "Send a Staff Member Packing" to Palm Springs for Memorial Day will be conducted and there will be the usual bidding for the Teacher Time items. Invitations will be going out sometime in the next few weeks. Tickets will be \$60 this year to cover costs. Volunteers are needed to help that day and evening.

President's Report: Jan Hilliard

- Leah Hess is the new VP of Curriculum, replacing Leslie Ross who recently relocated.
- IPSF will be holding its annual House Raffle. The kickoff is this weekend.
- IPSF announced that Jerry Mandel will be the organization's new President/CEO.
- Parents were urged to continue to report their volunteer hours.

Guest Speakers on Modernization: Vern Medeiros, IUSD Deputy Superintendent, and Lloyd Linton, IUSD Director of Facilities and Construction Services

- An overview of the modernization process was presented. State money is available for modernization only if the district can match funds. \$6.4 million has been approved for project costs at this site; approximately \$1.78 million will come from the state.

- We are currently in the Planning Process stage. The district is working with the architects. Plans have been submitted to the State Architect's office, but the approval process takes 6-8 months. In addition, the process has been delayed because some of the plans had to be resubmitted. The district is hoping to have the plans approved by May or June so that Phase I work can begin this summer and Phase II work can begin the following summer.
- The first priority items will be upgrades for required ADA and other safety compliance work. This will use about 20 percent of the budget. The second priority items are for maintenance needs including roof and floor replacement, electrical upgrades, painting and other repairs. Approximately \$3.4 million has been budgeted for this. Remaining money will go for Priority 3 items such as the relocation of the computer labs, the addition of some portable classrooms, and acoustical improvements in the classrooms.
- Phase I and Phase II work is scheduled to begin in the summer months due to storage/relocation costs. It is anticipated that the staff will pack everything beginning in May 2009 so that Phase II work can begin immediately after school has ended in June and be completed before the new school year begins.
- The district is pushing to get approval for the State Architect's office so that we can request the funds from the state as soon as possible since there is always the chance that funds could run out or become unavailable.
- Parents questioned whether a local Bonita Canyon initiative to provide funds for additional modernization or an MPR improvement would be acceptable to the district. Local initiatives could be permitted with board approval. The local community would need to first work with the district to see if the proposed project would be viable then submit any plans to an architect for other considerations. An approximate budget for planning purposes would be approximately \$500/square foot plus 30% for "soft costs."
- The district would be willing to further discuss a local initiative with a planning committee of interested parents from Bonita Canyon.

Principal's Report: Robin Beacham

- A first grade Bonita Canyon student, Michael Haley, is currently a critically ill patient at CHOC. The family is asking for prayers.

The next PTA General Association Meeting will be held on April 2.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00am.