



Miraloma Elementary School General PTA Minutes

April 27, 2011

8:00 a.m. – Miraloma Auditorium

The meeting was called to order by Meryl Bennan.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the general meeting on 3/23/11 were postponed for approval until 5/25/11.

Treasurers Report

Karen Mackey presented a new format of the Treasurer's Report. Expenses were presented along with explanation of purchase of Apple iPads (pilot program for lower grades). Jennie Rose motioned to ratify checks written as presented. Julie Wise seconded and the motion was adopted.

Principals Report (SSC/PTA Budget Report)

The proposed budget for 2011-2012 was examined. Ron Machado specified the school budget does not get used until after the 10 day count.

New Business

- Elena Lipkins suggested everyone sign in so the list could be forwarded to the membership committee for follow up.

Old Business

- Brief discussion and recap of the over raised funds in years past. There is no specified amount due to turnover in Treasurer position. Meryl Bennan addressed tightening up the process in the future and spending/saving responsibly.
- Katherine Young addressed PTA funds should be raised and used in the current year. This has been discussed in prior meetings. She stated this was in the bylaws but did not have documentation.
- Jose Ramirez clarified unallocated funds, its meaning and where these funds will be. Jose Ramirez and Karen Mackey are currently creating a plan, awaiting budget approval in September.
- Discussion held on next year's budget – healthy budget was proposed with combined reserve.
- Spencer Weisbroth quoted from the PTA Toolkit – It is not uncommon for the PTA to hold funds – save funds for summer program or unexpected budget cuts/crisis, or unforeseen expenses. He could not locate Katherine Young's statement in the PTA Toolkit issued by the National PTA.
- Julie Wise motioned to roll over the unallocated funds from the past two years to combine with this year's unallocated earnings to be used for the 2011-2012 expenses and Rainy Day Fund. Spencer Weisbroth seconded. The motion was adopted by a majority vote.
- Meryl Bennan reminded everyone we have a Budget Committee, SSC, and survey to help Ron Machado and the teachers allocated funds raised to the appropriate areas.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 by Meryl Bennan.