

**GOVERNOR'S RANCH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL UNAPPROVED
PTAMINUTES**

January 13, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

1st Vice President Tamra VanNorstrand called meeting to order at 7:12pm.

ATTENDEES

1st Vice President Tamra VanNorstrand, 2nd Vice President Marnie O'Connor, 3rd Vice President Principal Will Morton and Secretary Jayme Piegat were all present from the Executive Board along with 7 members. President Tom Stipp and Treasurer Kristen Colonell were absent.

APPROVAL OF MEETING

MOTION

Will Morton moved to start the meeting.
Motion was seconded.

VOTE All in favor

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1st Vice President Tamra VanNorstrand asked the PTA for permission to move around on the agenda and start with a few of the smaller items first.
The PTA granted her permission.

MOTION

Missy Stipp moved to approve the agenda as is.
Motion was seconded.

VOTE All in favor.

MINUTES APPROVED

The minutes from the December meeting were read. There were six corrections to be made.

1. 2nd Vice President Marnie O'Connor was not present.
2. Ken Carl changed to Ken Caryl
3. Jeffco website changed to jeffcopublicschools.org
4. Change projectors to installed projectors
5. Change membership to 219 members, 282 members last year.
6. Add info about what the word vote is reflecting.

MOTION

Missy Stipp moved to approve the amended minutes.
Motion was seconded.

VOTE All in favor.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The projectors and document cameras have been ordered. It could take up to three weeks to have them installed once all the equipment arrives. They will be stored in a secure place. The gift from the PTA freed up the school fund, which will now be used for a new computer lab, it will be replaced in the spring. The new lab will have the newest model of computer.

The School board met and looked at the Facilities Usage proposals. They decided changing the boundaries and closing Ken Caryl Middle School would be premature. The Board decided it needed to look at these items more closely. Because of the events that have unfolded 1st Choice Enrolment has been extended to March.

SPELLING BEE

On January 28, 2010, GRE will be hosting the Spelling Bee. GRE has twelve students competing. If anyone would like to assist in setting up a reception for all competing students and their families please notify Principal Will Morton. The reception will have light refreshments.

TALENT SHOW

Committee Chair Katie Sheehan reported that Jan. 29th is the date for tryouts. Each performer gets a two-minute slot, each time slot allotted is five minutes for set up, performing and judging. Tryouts start at 2:40. The Talent Show is scheduled for Feb. 26, 2010 at 7pm. It was put in the evening so everyone has the opportunity to enjoy it. Katie asked for the PTA and school to help advertise since it is an evening event.

REFLECTIONS

Amy Schneider headed up Reflections. State was held the first weekend in December. GRE had no one advance to the state level. A banquet will be held in the cafeteria on January 21, 2010 at 6pm. This is to honor all competitors.

MEMBERSHIP

2nd Vice President Marnie O'Connor reported that membership is at 219 and still counting. February 2, 2010 is the deadline for the final count to be submitted to the Local PTA. The pizza party went to Mrs. Price's class.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

SCIENCE FAIR

The Science Fair is still without a Committee Chair. The deadline is January 25, 2010. If no one has stepped up by the deadline there will be no Science Fair. The Science Fair is scheduled for March 24th & 26th. A phone message will be sent out to all GRE families notifying them of the need.

SPAGHETTI DINNER

The spaghetti dinner will happen regardless of the Science Fair. It will be held on March 25, 2010 from 5-7:30pm. The cost has always been around \$5-\$8 per person. A phone message will be sent out to all GRE families on January 18 as a reminder.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

It is that time of year again. The PTA is in need of a Nominating Committee. This group is in charge of presenting all people who are interested in running for an Executive Board position. The new nominees will be presented in March, voted on in April and sworn in in May.

Positions that are vacant are as follows:

1. President
2. President Elect
3. 1st Vice President
4. 2nd Vice President
5. Treasurer
6. Secretary

Parliamentarian is open, this is an appointed position. The current Principal always holds the 3rd Vice President position.

Anyone interested in being on the Nomination Committee or on the Executive Board please contact President Tom Stipp.

DIRECTORY

Many apologies for the delay in getting directories to all the GRE families.

FINANCE

MOTION

3rd Vice President Principal Will Morton moved to table the Finance topic of \$17,000 until February.

Motion was seconded.

Voting results for current motion on the floor, subject: tabling \$17,000.

VOTE

All in favor.

TEDFORD RECONGNITION

This topic has been tabled since the September meeting.

1st Vice President Tamra VanNorstrand led the group in a discussion of a plaque/plaques for the Tedford family.

Tedford Recognition – Membership decision waiting vote because of lack of members.

Part I

- A. Present a recognition plaque to the Tedfords, thanking them for their continued contributions to Governor’s Ranch. The plaque will be “wrapped” in an artful object designed by Mrs. Jones and personalized with each GRE student’s signature/handprint/thumbprint. Design to be created and decided on by Mrs. Jones. This plaque and personalized student body object will be presented to the Tedfords at the Volunteer Reception scheduled for May 2010.
- B. A “Tedford Award” will be given to an outstanding GRE volunteer annually at Volunteer Reception and noted on a plaque displayed at GRE.
- C. Annually, the student body will create and send a large Thank You card to the Tedfords, along with a note stating the Tedford Award winner.

Part II

- A. Create line item “Tedford Award”
 - a. Budget
 - b. Chairperson
- B. Assign “Tedford Award” to another committee
 - a. Hospitality
 - b. PTA Exec. Board
- C. Expense
 - a. Initial
 - b. Future

NEW BUSINESS

2nd Vice President Marnie O'Connor mentioned that there use to be a President's Plaque hanging in the school to honor all past presidents. Principal Will Morton said he would look for it. If found it should be updated.

MOTION

Will Morton moved to adjourn the meeting.
Motion was seconded

Meeting adjourned at 8:55pm.

LOOKING AHEAD

The next PTA meeting is scheduled for February 24, 2010 at 7:00pm in the Library.