

ABC BOARD MEETING  
October 10, 2006  
Quest Quad

The meeting was called to order by President Carmen Bryant at 6:08 PM.

**ATTENDANCE**

Mary Amery, Cindy Soulier, Kathleen Nelson, Hina Parikh, Carmen Bryant, Kim Cornely, David Berg, Kiera Mann, Janelle Burger, Nancy Velazquez, Lisa Johnston

**WEBSITE**

David Berg reported the redesign of the website is underway. Interested board members will be alerted when the preview is available. The website had more visitors in the month of September than in any previous month. Any flyers or notification of events should be sent to [dbberg@gmail.com](mailto:dbberg@gmail.com).

**SECRETARY**

Dovey Zukowski was not present. Minutes were approved with one correction: the software program purchased for the website is Macromedia. The board is looking for a secretary as Dovey is unable to complete the year.

**TREASURER**

Hina Parikh reported we were not moving our banking to Washington Mutual as they did not have an option to get additional credit card machines during peak usage. It was suggested to use Boeing Employees Credit Union. This idea was rejected as there were not enough branches to make it easily accessible for any future board members. Hina will check out Columbia Bank based on a reference by Zeiger PTA. The audit was completed on Oct. 8, 2006. The following items were suggested:

1. Money is not being deposited within 48 hours;
2. Copies of the minutes were not in the treasurer's notebook;
3. No copies of the legal documents are in the treasurer's notebook.

It was also suggested we examine how many signatures are on each check, possibly making it contingent on the dollar amount.

**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Kiera Mann reported 12 families attended Fun Day at Bradley Lake Park on Oct. 8. Leftover food is becoming part of the emergency food for the Quad. The following events have been scheduled:

- Speaker Night Brian Fox, Director of Student Learning Nov. 14 at Quest Quad
- Gingerbread House Night Dec. 14 at Zeiger Elementary
- Creative Kids Night Mar. 15 at Maplewood

Rogers High School pool is not taking reservations for January until later in October. No response on the building use request has been received from Puyallup High School for the auction. The requested date is May 18, 2007.

### **COORDINATOR**

Nancy Velazquez reported Pam Miller was in and is planning on chairing the Read-A-Thon. Five district employees have been selected to attend the NAGC. They will depart Oct. 31 to Charlotte NC. District cancelled pullout so all Quest staff could attend WAETAG. 15 are going, including junior high teachers and a psychologist. It was suggested that after the winter holidays a panel of those who attended present a speaker night. Gifted Coordinators met last Thursday regarding funding changes. Feb. 9 is Gifted Education Day in Olympia. It is being considered to have Quest families go and meet the legislators. The school district has placed the Quest building second on the list of items to look into with the 2007 bond issue. Nancy ordered one copy of Project M3 to look at. It appears the district, after examining several options, will make this purchase.

### **LEGISLATIVE**

Marcia Holland was unable to be here. She reported WSPTA is making highly capable one of their top 5 items. All of her written reports were forwarded to the website and are attached to these minutes.

### **MEEKER REP**

Lisa Johnston asked how to reach out to the parents in her building. Several suggestions were offered such as SchoolNotes, on our website, our newsletter, etc. It was also discussed the difference between her position as Meeker Rep to the ABC board and the Class Rep.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Lisa Robinson was not present. She reported 27 members so far. Meeker has not received their membership applications despite being sent through the courier twice. They were handed directly to Lisa Johnston to deliver to Miller and Franks classes. See attached report.

### **NEWSLETTER**

Elaine Choates was not present. The board was reminded to have articles in to Elaine and David by the board meeting each month.

### **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

There is no chair. A want ad will be placed in the newsletter.

### **PULL OUT REP**

Kathleen Nelson reported.

## **SCHOOL BOARD**

Christine Holland was not present. She has plans to attend the school board meeting on Oct. 23 when she returns from Air Force Reserve trip to Washington, D.C. See attached report.

## **SECONDARY SCHOOLS**

Cindy Soulier reported she has submitted a newsletter article reminding families that scholarships are available for college through their high school counselors.

## **STUDENT SERVICES**

Mary Amery reported she has raised the prices approximately \$2 per item to earn a little extra. Order forms will be put on the web and available at all events.

## **TEACHER'S REP**

Janelle Burger reported ordered computers are scheduled to arrive in late October. Funds were requested for a pull out 6<sup>th</sup> grade field trip. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade has not had a field trip in over 10 years. They would like to travel to the Narrows Bridge and meet with volunteers/engineers and learn about bridge design, a part of their unit of study. **Kathleen Nelson moved that \$300 be taken from Miscellaneous to pay for this field trip. The motion was seconded by Hina Parikh. Motion carried.** Last year ABC provided one box of bottled water per month for the Quest staff. Staff requests we continue this tradition. It was decided that Janelle would purchase the water from Costco and be reimbursed.

## **ZEIGER REP**

Kim Cornely was introduced as the rep.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- Mary Amery will become the shopper.
- The auction will become part of the continuing business of the board beginning next month.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 14 at 5:30 PM. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.