

## **ABC Minutes November 20, 2007**

Present: Nancy Velazquez, David Berg, Christine Holland, Julie Shaffer, Margaret Mason, Heather Anderson, Marcia Holland, Hina Parikh, Cynthia A. Soulier, Tammy Inselman, Deborah Wilson

Meeting called to order at 6:25pm by Christine.

Minutes were corrected to show that Hina was present at October's meeting. Minutes were then approved.

### **Old Business:**

Gingerbread Night cancelled due to only 2 volunteers. Notice will go out to students.

Quad cleanup went well

### **NGAC Report:**

Nancy deferred to Christine: Conference trip was amazing. Information to be posted on forum. Brainstorming session between those who attended proposed to discuss what would benefit our kids the most; possible presentation to parents?

### **Legislative Report:**

Marcia - Gifted Education Day Friday, Feb. 8. Individual parents and kids needed for panel. Brought contact info for legislators. Appointments need to be made with legislators for GED and coalition members will accompany parents/children to GED meetings if requested. Policy making math/science panel to encourage cognitive growth for asymmetric children. Proposed to replace "No Child Left Behind": "One Year Growth For Each Year In School."

### **Meeker Rep:**

Margaret - Emergency kits for quad? Teachers will be getting water bottles replenished.

### **Membership:**

David - We have 75 families enjoying membership and that is over our projected budget. Christine then handed over more completed forms. Christine encourages more personal contact and invitations to increase membership.

### **Newsletter:**

Tammy - we are going to a quarterly printing. January and sometime in spring issues proposed. Maybe another at the end of the school year.

### **PAGE:**

Entertainment books: will PAGE kids be able to sell them?

### **Public Relations:**

Cindy - Fliers will go out for pool party and ice skate night. Karin McNett booked January 2 for pool party either 10-12AM or 12-2PM. Entertainment book update: if we sell over 50 books we get \$10 for each book. Currently we are at 30 books sold.

## **New Business Reports**

### **Treasurer:**

Julie - Schwanns still going until Dec. 21. Schwanns has expenses in the budget for the geodes and pizza parties. Schwanns fundraiser currently exceeds \$10,000 in sales. Budget was presented and approved.

### **VP:**

ABC Forum: Guest Speaker Night - parents want communication forum to discuss their gifted kids. Web

host has a 'members only' forum and this can be set up as a message board. NGAC has a forum message board for the entire state (cost \$35/year). Go to [questabc.org/forum](http://questabc.org/forum) and register for ID to view. For now, ABC members only. Maybe in the future outside persons pay a fee. More ideas: give a free trial for non-members or limited access to forum. Speaker has book recommendations that will be posted on website. David will also have membership form for other gifted organizations.

**Next Meeting:**

January 15, 2008 at Starbucks.

**Meeting Adjourned:**

7:45PM