

DURHAM INTERMEDIATE GENERAL BOARD MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13,
2009

PRESENT: Tina Wasserman, Gary Brake, Tammy Kane, Julie Varriale, Jennifer Stallings, Nan Stairs, Dana Bucknam, Ann Breeding, Tray Collins, Pug Landrum, Mary Smith, Robin Webb, Becky Ginn, Maggi Long, Cindy Walker, and Anjie Gordon, Kathy Philips, and Michele Adams.

Tina called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Tina asked for a motion that last month's meeting minutes be approved. Maggi Long made a motion for the September meeting minutes to be approved, and Robin Webb seconded the motion. The motion passed.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mr. Brake first gave an update on the recess issue with all the rain. Some of the classes are choosing to go back to their classrooms after lunch and others remain in the cafeteria.

The number of children out with the flu seems to be declining this week.

KDUR is up and running. It is now located in a room off the library. The money they collect from running birthday wishes and other announcements will be used to purchase new equipment for KDUR.

The staff is looking into a sixth grade Field trip to Camp Thurman. The problem that has arisen is most companies want 100% payment to secure dates with no refunds. His staff is looking into the funding and seeing how they can make the field trips work.

Tammy Ramsey is currently subbing for Krista Gant while she is on maternity leave. Tammy will become a fulltime staff member in December.

COUNSELOR'S REPORT

Michele Adams introduced herself as the new DIS counselor. She gave us a brief synopsis of her background and family life. She did say how thrilled she is to be here at DIS.

VICE-PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs. Phillips gave us an update on Capturing Kid's Heart which PTO funded for the staff. Yesterday at the Carroll DIS training day part of the staff put together an update on how CKH is working at our campus. The staff is very excited to see their efforts taking off in the classrooms. They are shaking hands with all the children and days are starting off better. Many staff members feel their training is helping children cope with tough emotional issues. The children are also being taught affirmation of each other. Kathy again thanked PTO for the funding of this program.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Julie passed out the update on the financials. This month's financial statement is in the DIS secretary's binder.

She went over the membership, teacher appreciation, and homeroom parties numbers. We collected \$6820 for membership, \$3032 for homeroom parties, and \$758 for teacher appreciation week.

Spirit Shop sold approximately \$1300.00 on curriculum night.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Tina told us class t-shirts have been distributed to all the homerooms. We still have some on order for new entries into the school and staff members that do not have homerooms.

The Outside Project has been in limbo because of the weather. We are still scheduled to have concrete poured in a couple of weeks and then the shade structured put in place. The Sport Court cannot be painted until it is completely dry outside.

She wanted everyone to know PTO has a bulletin board outside the office area. If you are coordinating an event please utilize this space for the event. Just be sure to have the material approved by Mr. Brake before you post anything.

The Sixth Grade Fun Night is set for Friday, Dec. 4th. Mrs. Halford's fifth grade class won the tug of war competition at the last fifth grade fun night.

Michele Packard is doing our PTO POST, please register with her your email address to receive PTO updates and information.

Central Market no longer has the Foodie Card program. In place of this program, Central Market is going to designate one day a quarter and the Carroll schools are going to get 5% back on the total store's receipts. As soon as Tina finds out the dates, she will convey the dates to the membership. We just received a check from Central Market from last May for \$2300.00.

Tina gave us some dates to remember:

Field Day, May 21st

TAKS testing dates for fifth grade, April 6th, Math, April 7th, Reading, April 29th
Science

TAKS testing dates for sixth grade, April 27th, Math, April 28th, Reading

VICE-PRESIDENT OF DISBURSEMENT'S REPORT

Tray Collins reported that we bought the Science Lab microscopes with Foodie Card money. She, also, reported the executive board approved \$296.00 for clay for Mrs. Trammel's art classes. This clay will be purchased with Foodie Card money.

Volunteers of the month went to our directory and membership chairs, Pug Landrum. Becky Ginn, Lynda Snyder, and Vicki Rowan.

VICE-PRESIDENT OF PROGRAMS

Stacy Sexton was out sick. Mr. Brake gave an overall review of the Commandos presentation.

VICE-PRESIDENT OF FUNDRAISING

Tammy Kane gave an update on Cookie Dough sales. She said we had budgeted \$16,000 and we will come in close to \$19,000.

Fifth grade fun night we had 150 kids and made about \$500. This was not meant to be a fundraiser, but we did have a profit.

Christmas is for Children is about to begin. Once again, DIS will be serving many children with presents and food this coming holiday season.

HOSPITALITY

Ann thanked the McGregor family for cooking the hotdogs and hamburgers at the last luncheon. The luncheon went well and thank you to all who brought food. The next luncheon will be a Thanksgiving theme in November.

ART DOCENT

The first lesson went well according to Robin and they had twelve volunteers help with the instruction over four days. They studied Thomas Cole and Winslow. The next lesson will be on Andrew Wyeth.

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

We have a box top contest ongoing and the first place winner will receive a \$10 gift card to Harkins and the second place winner \$5.00. Please turn in your community bucks from Tom Thumb.

Tina adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

These minutes were respectively submitted by Maureen Cramer.

