

YACA Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday July 25, 2007
Yinghua Academy
FINAL

Ms. Erickson called the meeting to order at 6:35pm

Board Members In Attendance

Jennifer Daul, Janine Trutna, Jean Parish, Cindy Moeller, Christina Erickson, Deb Volkert, Clayton Black, Julie McCormick

Board Members Not In Attendance

Aura Lee Besse, Sandy Doubek

Observing

Ruth Hansen, Kristin Swenson, Justin Straub, Audrey Malone

Review and Approve Agenda

Ms. Parish made a motion to approve the agenda as is.

Mr. Black seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Review and Approve minutes from the June 20th board meeting

After a couple of corrections to the minutes, Ms. Daul made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 20th meeting.

Ms. McCormick seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

Volunteer Coordinators

Ms. Hansen shared her experience as a volunteer coordinator for 2 years at her daughter's previous school. Ms. Swenson has looked at forms from last year and will send out to all parents. Has spoken with Rebecca, Luyi, and Betsy to see what their needs are.

We will be working together as needed as far as communicating needs. We feel it would be a good idea to have one of the coordinators at each YACA meeting. We will add a Volunteer Coordinator report onto the minutes. Looking into information on the web that will show parents what volunteers are needed. Also looking into a possible letter that people can opt in or out of that would communicate volunteer needs.

Standing Reports

Chairs: will update later in meeting

YA School Board Report: Clayton, Kristen. Cindy and Rebecca met with Bob Kasten to do some updating the web site. Will be separate classes for 3rd and 4th grade.

Exciting visit from the BBC – will update when we know when the program is on. Hoping to have a visit from the US Dept of Education. Board approved a health care package for the upcoming year that covers full-time employee plus partial coverage for family members. There will be a new program on character education implemented next year.

Old Business

By – Laws

We eliminated the Interim Officers section. Standing and Special Committees, Finances, Parliamentary authority, Amendments, Review sections were revised. We decided we will look at the by laws in its entirety one final time as a final review.

Summer Calendar

Clean up day – Ms. Doubek is coordinating the day. Ms. Daul will send a letter to be inserted in the next school mailing about upcoming events. She will put together a protocol for picnic needs. Ms. Moeller will check to see if we have the shelter.

Artistic Partnership

For MIA we will need 12 volunteers that can come 1 day a week for 3 weeks to present the art. They will also need to commit to training. Ms. Parish will send an email to the Volunteer Coordinators to specify her needs for volunteers. We have the Northern Clay partnership confirmed.

Committee Structure –

Members signed up as co-chairs for the different Sub-committees Ms. Daul will update the list.

New Families Communication

Getting new families on the list serve – this will go out in the next mailing. Ms. Parish will cross check the last call list with the current family list with Betsy.

Back to School Night

We decided that we should have a YACA table at the Back to School night with a letter and a few table signs. Ms. Trutna will provide table signs with the mission and board members. Ms. Erickson will come early to man the table during the kindergarten session. Ms. Erickson will be the point person for the meeting. Ms. Daul motioned. Ms. Parish seconded. Motion approved.

New Business

Dates of General Membership Meetings:

Tuesday October 9th 5:30, meeting to start at 6:00

Saturday January 12th – 10am – 12

Thursday March 6th

May tbd

NOTE: We are starting with these dates, they may need to change based on the schedules of the special speakers.

Day of the week for Board Meetings

Meeting nights for the new year – Thursday, starting in September 20th. Second or third Thursdays, based on school calendar. October 11th due to MEA. Nov. 15th Dec. 13th due to holidays

Ms. Daul moved to adjourn

Ms. Julie seconded.

8:45 pm