

YACA Board Meeting Minutes
July 16, 2008
J&S Bean Coffee Shop

Ms. Daul called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

Board Members Present

Jennifer Daul, Jean Parish, Cindy Moeller, Susan Green, Deb Volkert, Paul Scanlon, Clayton Black, Wendie Lindberg.

Board Members Not Present

Julie McCormick, Sandy Norris

Visiting

Aura Lee Besse

Agenda

Mr. Black made a motion to approve the agenda

Ms Green seconded the motion

Motion approved unanimously

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Ms. Volkert made a motion to approve the minutes, with modifications

Ms. Parish seconded the motion to approve the minutes

Motion approved unanimously

Standing Reports

Secretary:

Ms. Lindberg has received YACA documents from Ms. Doubek, previous YACA Board Secretary. Ms. Doubek transferred Yahoo Group moderator responsibilities to Ms. Lindberg. Ms. Lindberg will send Bylaws to YACA Board members, post the final version to the Yahoo Group files, and request they be re-posted the Yinghua website.

Treasurer's report:

Ms. Norris was not present.

Old Business

Great Gatherings: Ms. Besse, former YACA Treasurer is taking the lead on the Great Gathering Fundraising for 2008-2009 school year. Everyone on the YACA Board is asked to do a Great Gathering event. Strong communication is necessary to convey to parents what Great Gatherings are and how they work for fundraising. Ms. Parish and Ms. Daul will talk to Ms. Lueth about getting on the agenda at "Back-to-School Night" to talk about Great Gatherings. A few YACA Board members should be there. Ms. Besse will prepare something for Yinghua parents for the August picnic (Back-to-School Night?) on Great Gatherings. Ms. Green offered to host a knitting Great Gathering in January. Ms. Volkert offered to organize a used uniform sale Great Gathering at the August picnic.

Ms. Lindberg offered to research a Tea tasting and sale. Ms. Parish offered to research an Excelsior Streetcar Great Gathering. Mr. Black will email an idea/ registration form to Ms. Besse.

Introductions

Each YACA Board member introduced themselves to the group.

Old Business (Continued)

Summer Events. A flyer will be going out with a school meeting listing upcoming summer events. Summer events include:

- Family Story Time on Monday July 28th from 5:30 to 8:00. Ms. Moeller and Ms. Erickson (former YACA Chair) will attend.
- Yinghua Work Day will be held Saturday August 16th from 10:00 am to 2:00 p.m. Ms. Volkert is coordinating.
- Picnic/ Potluck Sunday August 24th from 4:30 to 8:00 p.m. Set up will begin at 4:00. Shifts include: 4:00-6:00 - Ms. Lindberg, Ms. Volkert, Mr. Black, Mr. Scanlon; 5:00-7:00 Ms. Parish and Ms. Green. More volunteers will be needed for 6:00-8:00 and 7:00-9:00. Volunteers will also be needed for the Uniform sale to be held at the picnic. Ms. Parish will request buttons for YACA Board members.

501c(3) status. Ms. Parish will try to take this on in conjunction with Ms. Norris. Mr. Scanlon can help. Ms. Daul asked Ms. Parish for a timeline.

New Family Calling. Ms. Daul asked that this be completed as soon as possible.

Bylaws. Ms. Daul asked everyone to review the bylaws prior to the next meeting. At the next meeting we will review as a group.

Standing Reports (continued)

Chairs:

Ms. Daul covered meeting protocol. She would like the agenda out one week prior to the meeting and the meeting minutes out one week to ten days after the meeting.

School board report:

Ms. Moeller reported the results of the Yinghua School Board elections. The facilities committee continues to look at properties and staffing for the next school year is coming together.

Subcommittees:

Fundraising:

No report.

Education/ Artistic Partnerships:

Ms. Parish reported that Artistic Partnerships with MacPhail, Vocalessence, MIA and Northern Clay Center are solidified. She is waiting to hear from the Science Museum. Volunteers are still needed for the MIA Art Adventure partnership; this should be put in the August newsletter.

School and Family Events/Grounds:

Covered in Summer Events discussion.

New Business

YACA Board meetings were scheduled for once a month through December:

Tuesday August 12th at J&S Bean Coffee Shop

Thursday September 11th at Yinghua Academy

Tuesday October 7th

Monday November 10th

Thursday December 11th

The schedule for January through June 2009 meetings should be set at the November meeting.

A YACA General Membership meeting was scheduled for Monday, October 27th at 5:30. Details will be discussed at the next YACA Board meeting.

The Committee list was reviewed and Board members volunteered for committees.

Ms Parish will ask Ms. McCormick and Ms Norris which committees they want to be on.

During the first week of school or in August, parents should be sent a newsletter about YACA's next meeting.

Ms. Lindberg will ask that the YACA Board list of names be updated on the Yinghua website.

Adjourn

Ms. Daul adjourned at the meeting at 8:40.

Next Board Meeting date is August 12th at J&S Bean Coffee Shop.