

January 12, 2016 @ 7pm

Board Members Present: Amy Lapsis, Madison Day, Shannon Sion and June Burns-Seeley
Staff Members Present: Dr. James Palmer, Principal
Others Present: Dori Ramsdell, Jillene Woodmansee, Cathy May

CALL TO ORDER

Madison Day called the meeting to order at 7:05pm

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

APPROVAL OF December MINUTES

Motion:

Dori Ramsdell moves to approve the December 8, 2015 minutes. Jillene Woodmansee seconds and the motion passed unanimously.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dr. Palmer provided the following report:

- 1/18 No School – Martin Luther King Jr.
- 1/19 No School – PD day. Working on writing of goals for this year
- 1/21 Assembly @ 9:30am so that Bus Drivers could attend and feel more involved in the school since they are a part of our Vinton family too. They've been asked to present videos of themselves to show the other things that they do besides drive a bus. One school goal also is that every certified staff member has to write a similar piece.
- 1/27/52 is when Vinton school opened
- 1/30 Robotics Tournament at MMS (Mansfield Middle School) possible expansion in future years
- PTA Event calendar needs to be updated, June, Amy and Madison to forward updated version to Jim and Kelee.

STAFF REPORT

Deb Drew provided the following report:

- Not in attendance

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Madison Day & Amy Lapsis provided the following report:

- Harlem Wizards – event scheduled for 1/18/16, MLK day. 313 online tickets sold so far. Assemblies at each school went well but not entirely what we were expecting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Shannon Sion provided the following report:

- Coffee Pond credit came in
- Gift Card program profits came in
- ~\$500 in box tops came in
- T-shirts for Vinton Wizard players were ordered and extra shirts were also ordered; Madison to provide Shannon with the details

FUNDRAISERS CHAIR REPORT

Kelly Robidas provided the following report:

- Box Tops are doing well
- Gift Card program – April time frame
- Looking into a free family event; movie night, Quester's Way, UConn hockey...more to come

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS

None at this time

NEW BUSINESS

Jillene attended the Parent Advisory Group meeting and provided the following report:

- Superintendent has recognized that our teachers stay for extended period of time once they join our community
- Trying to make all four schools more cohesive
- Articulate the BOE's mission statement
- Facility issues/concerns in all four schools
- The 4C's (i.e. Collaboration, Communication, Critical Thinking, Creativity) are important to students

Sonya requested that we participate in a food drive around Easter timeframe. She will provide more information as the time gets closer.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:40pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 9, @ 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,

June M. Burns-Seeley
Secretary, Vinton PTA