

## Virginia Run Elementary



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### PTA General Meeting October 5, 2015

**Call to Order:** Robin Osterhout, PTA President, called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

**Attendance:** Mary McLean, Cheryl Carballosa, Artur Markarian, Nadine Kaiser, Trish Albiol, Kelly Long, Melinda Soltys, Uchechi Anyalebechi, Jennifer Chamberlain-Day, Lynn Petrinjak, Alicia Thoennes, Suanne Collinsworth, Amber Dominick, Ben Ulrich, Ross Lemke, John Sajdak, Linda Radita, Chichi Inyang, Amy Hutt, Danielle Gonzales, Paula Keiper-Andrade, Christi Brubaker, Amy Roundtree, Johannah Evans, Kari Lowery, Ting Dong, Colleen Dunn, Jason Skerker, Lisa Zimmerman, Jacqueline Gay, Troy Johnson, Renee Macri, Krista Beach, Karen Wang, Suzie Van Buren, Robin Osterhout, Shelley Teras

Val Sesso, AAP Coordinator, provided an excellent overview of the AAP Program. She is available at VRES on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. She discussed the different levels of service available through FCPS and specifically at VRES. More detailed information will be available at a December program that she will host.

**Minutes:** June 11 membership minutes were approved. Motion made by Robin and seconded by Christy. Vote was unanimous to approve the minutes.

**New Business:** Robin showed the budget tool available to all who can access it through the County website. This tool invites all participants to eliminate various items from the budget to reduce the projected shortfall and submit their "proposed" budget to the county.

**Principal Update:** Mr. Skerker provided some updates to include that the installment of the ceiling mounted projectors is almost completed. Additionally the administration is working on some transportation issues relating to the timeliness of the buses. Also, Mr. Skerker expressed the administration's appreciation of parental support for the school.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

- Kari shared that the audit was completed by Dana Matthews and everything was in order and correct. Some recommendations were made and the changes have been implemented. Kari made the motion to approve the 2014-15 audit; it was seconded by Johannah. All approved. Also, Kari advised that the on-line treasure software that was selected is Treasurer Briefcase. She stated that this system is easier to use and understand. There is

more transparency now as the Board members can see the budget updates on-line (although Kari is the only person who can add information or updates.

### **Vice President Committee Chairs Reports:**

- **Amy Roundtree, VP of Education** reports there are seven before and after school programs available at VRES to include two Acting Out programs, Run Club, Lego Club, Overtime Athletics, Chess Club, and Stem Excel/Robotics. Additionally, picture day is 10/29 and Walk for the Homeless is 10/30. The first Assembly is scheduled for Oct 14th and it's entitled, It Pays to be Nice.
- **Johannah Evans, VP of Social** reports Bus Driver Appreciation breakfast is coming up next and each driver will receive a gift. We also had a new Parent Coffee in September. Custodian appreciation is coming up soon and Johannah hopes to have a cafeteria worker appreciation also. The Fall Dance is Oct 23rd and the cost is \$4 per ticket. Bingo will be held in November and Mr. Skerker has volunteered to be the Bingo caller. Looking ahead - the Variety Show is scheduled in February and will be held at Centreville HS.
- **Christi Brubaker, VP of Fundraising** reports we now have 450 PTA members! A lot parents purchased the \$25 value membership and the magnets are being distributed through each child's classroom teacher. Some upcoming events include: Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night in Oct, Barnes & Noble in Dec. Also, the Holiday Shop will be help in Dec. Christi also reminded us to collect boxtops. This year we having a school-wide collection versus an individual classroom collection.

**Meeting Adjourned: 8:20 PM**