

East Mecklenburg PTSA General Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2010

The meeting began at 6:35 pm with the announcement and vote of School Leadership Team members as presented by Carol Sawyer.

A quorum was established and the PTSA meeting was called to order by Celia Owen, PTSA Secretary acting as chair, at 6:50 p.m. in East Mecklenburg Auditorium.

The minutes from the February 8, 2010 General Meeting were presented for approval. Bridget Happney made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Robin Garcia and the minutes were approved by verbal vote.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Bryan Carroll, Treasurer. Bryan made recommendations to amend the budget as follows:

1. Reduce the NCBT Sponsorship Income by \$4975 since this project has never taken off. Likewise, reduce the NCBT Tutoring Sponsorship by \$5000.
2. Increase the Community Programs budget by \$3900 to pay for a East Meck DVD produced by Wide Screen Antics. Wide Screen Antics is owned by Michael Patterson who is the EMPTSA grounds chairperson. Purchase of the DVD was approved by the PTA in a special meeting on June 11, 2009. The original purchase price was \$8900. Mr. Parker has applied obtained a grant of \$5000 to pay for part of the DVD. The PTA owes \$3900.

Although approved by the PTA membership, some have question if the PTA can or should pay for the DVD. We are currently seeking legal advice. Therefore, we are requesting this change with the understanding that payment will only be made after obtaining appropriate legal advice.

3. Increase the newsletter budget by \$1500 to cover unexpected postage and printing charges. If we do not publish a June newsletter, we will not use the full amount of the budget change.
4. Increase the Web and E-Mail budget by \$350 to cover an expense from last year that was paid this year.
5. Increase staff BBQ by \$1000. East Meck usually contributes some money to the staff BBQ but cannot this year due to CMS budget cuts.

There was no further discussion. Motion was made by Kevin Coons to approve the treasurer's report and amend the budget as presented. Motion was seconded by Linda Peak and passed by verbal vote with no opposition.

Celia Owen reported that the nominating committee had not found anyone willing to serve on next year's executive board at this time. Celia asked for nominations from the floor. None were made. Since the student body is changing significantly next year with students moving to Butler due to boundary changes and IB students coming to East Meck from Myers Park, it is recommended that the election of officers be put on hold until the general meeting in the fall. Celia asked for a motion that the current executive board be retained in their positions until the general meeting in the fall. The motion was made by Kevin Coons and seconded by Bridget Happney. The motion passed by verbal vote with no opposition.

Respectfully submitted,

Paige Carroll, Recorder of Minutes
Celia Owen, Secretary