

Minutes for the Margaret Beeks Elementary School PTO
February 6, 2013

Those in attendance were: Jenny Lo, Pres.; Carly Weber, Vice President; Faith Taylor, Treasurer; Micah Mefford, Principal; Bill Sembello, Jane McGuigan, Meredith Shealor, Laura Oler, Yvonne Clark, Steve Sutphin, Laura Kirsch, Julene Rice, Meredith Keith, Lisa Belden, Holly McFall, and April Peacock.

The minutes from the January 2013 meeting were approved by Faith Taylor, seconded by Micah Mefford. Motion carried.

Principal's Report was given by Mr. Mefford. A fundraiser packet went out Monday, Feb. 4 with a slight error. Checks should be made payable to Margaret Beeks PTO, not Margaret Beeks. This fundraiser will be complete on Feb. 19.

A Goodwill representative has contacted Mr. Mefford wanted to collect items from MBE families. The idea is that families would clean out, bring their items to donate to MBE, Goodwill would send a truck to pick up the items, and Goodwill would make a donation to MBE.

One Book, One School will start on Feb. 15 with The World According to Humphrey going home with students. A culminating event will happen on Thursday, Feb. 28 from 6-7 p.m. at MBE.

The second Brown Bag lunch will be Feb. 12. The discussion will focus on the state budget.

There will be a daytime School Volunteer Training soon. There will be one offered during lunch and one during the evening. There will be a PowerPoint and video illustrating how to do various tasks, as well as setting expectations.

Staples has contacted Mr. Mefford wishing to prebundle school supply kits. There was some discussion regarding this and it was decided that Jenny Lo would investigate further.

The Teacher's Report was given by Bill Sembello. He stated that Mr. Mefford covered all points.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Faith Taylor. Kroger brought in \$1,275 and Box Tops \$1,211. PTO spent \$1,450.

The President's Report was given by Jenny Lo. She reported on the last Superintendent's Report. The calendar for 2013-2014 school year does not have schools starting before Sept. 4, 2013 due to so many schools having to relocate this summer. School safety is a high priority. Budget scenarios have been developed and discussed.

Carly Weber gave the update on Give Me 5. Response for this program has been positive. A newsletter will be coming out on Feb. 11. There will be a Daddy Daughter Dance in March. A Mother Son event is also being worked on.

The International Dinner was briefly mentioned. The date for this event is April 11. More information will follow in March and April.

Julene Rice reported on the Adventurer World event, which will be Feb. 12 from 6-8 p.m. The cost is \$5 per person. This event will benefit the MBE Library as a memorial for Kat Werner.

Faith Taylor shared that the Directory was ready. It is approximately 8 pages. She believes there was about 75% response.

Laura Oler reported on CeCe Bell, author coming to MBE this spring. This program is financed by the National Bank of Blacksburg with a \$1,000 grant.

Sal's Night will be March 6 from 5-9 p.m. A flyer has to be presented to benefit MBE.

The meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by April Peacock