

Black River Public School Parent Organization Meeting Meeting Minutes, February 18, 2010

Present were PO President Jill Nawrocki, Secretary Beth Monhollon, Black River Advisor Sarah Laarman, various Parent Organization committee chairs, and Black River parents.

Jill called the meeting to order. Stephanie Harmsen motioned to approve the January minutes and Alessandra Musiani seconded. The minutes were approved.

Jill spoke about the idea of restructuring the Parent Organization next year. The main functions would be the responsibility of elementary parent volunteers. Focus groups such as the Athletic Boosters, Music Boosters, Academic Boosters and various technology and art department functions would remain at the middle school and high school levels.

The treasurer's report was distributed and briefly discussed. The current balance is \$16,432.45.

Committee reports:

- Black River Advisor Sarah Laarman reported that the February Open Houses went very well. We had a great turnout and the student guides did a fine job. Next school year's calendar has been approved.
- Elementary - Beth Powers shared that volunteers are needed to help at the Hoedown. The Panning family will provide music and the yearbook staff will take pictures.
- The Spring Book Fair is in the planning stages, and will be held during parent teacher conferences. It will have a Hawaiian theme.
- Academic Leader - Alessandra Musiani will contact parents of current NHS and NJHS members to provide refreshments for the induction ceremony on Mar. 9.
- Hospitality – Beth Powers said that a teachers' luncheon will be held on Mar. 19 during conferences.

Black River parent, Jeff Beird, spoke at the meeting about Athletic Boosters, which will be a branch of the Parent Organization, not a separate organization. All parents of BR athletes will be encouraged to participate in duties such as concession stand sales, ticket sales and field and court maintenance.

Another Black River parent, Heather Winia, facilitated a conversation about health, nutrition, and exercise. She answered our questions and provided a delicious and healthy dessert for us.

The next Parent Organization meeting will be held on March 25 at 7:00 in the band room.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Monhollon
Parent Organization Secretary

