

# Buena Vista Parent Teacher Association

## Monthly Meeting

### Meeting Minutes

**December 14, 2009**

**Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm**

**Welcome, member introductions, sign in**

**Old business:**

- *Financial Review – Brenda Wiley*
  - Craft Fair made approx. \$98.50
    - There are a lot of crafts left over for next year.
  - We received our refund for the Movie License
- *Thanksgiving baskets - Michelle*
  - Michelle reported that 8 families received baskets from Buena Vista this year
  - good participation from BV families
- *Christmas Gift giving tree*
  - only a few gifts were left to be purchased as of the PTA meeting
  - A motion was approved to have the PTA purchase any remaining gifts on the 18th
- *Book Fair*
  - The Book Fair made \$1200.00 for the Library.
- *Grant applications for the Garden project – Michelle*
  - Buena Vista was awarded the Home Builders grant
    - The dollar amount will be revealed to us all in May, with a presentation
  - We are pursuing another grant, the Music Garden grant
    - Carrie Muftke is writing the proposal
  - BV Parents are volunteering to plant bulbs
- *Parent Night Out*
  - To be combined with a Special Assembly
    - Claire is contacting puppeteers for the assembly
  - Shadow Puppets (theme is PJs, Popcorn and Puppets)
    - January 29th, 2010; 6pm - 9pm
    - \$10.00 per child

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- Children will make Shadow Puppets
- Profits will go to the Buena Vista Library
- Spring Special Assembly
  - Possibly combine with the Spring Fundraiser
- Spring Fundraiser
  - February
  - Hope Bracelets from Africa
    - Made to order by an orphanage in Africa
    - Cost 4.00 - 10.00
      - Buena Vista keeps approx 40%
    - Curriculum assist for teachers
    - Assembly toward the end of the month
- **New business**
- *BAAC – Claire Olsen*
- Parents' Education Night
  - 1/14/09
    - Potluck dinner, followed by two education sessions
      - Food will be requested by class or grade level
      - Childcare will be provided by Coronado High School Students in the Gym
    - 2 education sessions
      - 1/2 hour each
      - 1 in the classrooms
      - 1 in the library
  - Committee for foreign language instruction at BV
    - Claire is coordinating a French club for the spring
      - PTA will sponsor
      - 5.00 materials fee per student
      - Max of 20 students
    - The committee is gathering info on various programs
      - Still looking at having it part of the BV/D11 curriculum

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- There will be a meeting on January 6th at Steele with the Principal and Spanish Teacher
- Details of Steele's program:
  - M, Th all day
  - T, W tutoring sessions
  - 1/2 hour classes
  - 4,000.00 per semester (1/2 from PTA, 1/2 from Steele)
- There is still a concern about fitting it in with the Montessori method
- Need to talk with teachers about fitting it in to the school day.
- Also, if students have not met reading goals should we be adding a foreign language to the school day?
- Quality of food at lunch
  - the BAAC has put a hold on this program
  - D11 is looking a new, healthier food prep program
- Security system being installed in each school in the District
  - Instructions sent home with students
  - Implementation will not begin before January 2010
- *Teacher Appreciation - Michelle*
  - 1/4/10 no school day; coffee, bagels

**Meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm**