

REBO Board Meeting
Thursday, January 15, 2009

The following people attended this meeting:

Robin Balsamo
Pam Benos
Kris Branch
Carol Catron
Susan Cheatham
Marybeth Grinnan
Leslie Hausser
Leigh Herrmann
Claudia Marlow
Samantha Marrs
Michele Mauney
Jeanne McLemore
Lisa O'Keefe
Teresa Petrov
Sara Somerville
Jean Zimmerman

Welcome

Samantha Marrs, EBO President, distributed copies of the meeting agenda, the November minutes, and a letter to parents about contacting the Chesterfield County Superintendent and the school board in order to urge them to continue funding the gifted program at Robious. A copy of the current budget report was also distributed. The November minutes were approved as written.

Budget

Susan Cheatham, EBO Treasurer, reported that we have a balance of \$3,265.34 today. There was a profit of approximately \$780.00 on the T-shirt sales. Grade coordinators will ask teachers what they need. Last year we carried forward \$1,500, and we plan to do that again this year. Future expenses include two end-of-the-year parties and the summer party.

6th Grade Venturers

Leslie Hausser reported that the teachers were "ecstatic" about their gift money, flip cameras, and cartridges. They are gathering information about the buddy system at Falling Creek. The end-of-the-year banquet and silent auction will take place at two different times. One person has been providing the birthday cupcakes this year with a different theme each month.

The DC field trip was a big success. The Capitol tour, Pentagon tour, and play were highlights. The trip was "well organized" and the students' demonstrated good behavior. Michele Mauney needs pictures of the DC field trip. Please send them to her by email (mauneys@yahoo.com) or put them on a disc for her. She is at the welcome desk every Monday afternoon.

7th Grade Navigators

Teachers are planning a field trip at the end of April related to science. Navigators will be participating in "Bay Day." The teachers would like to bring in a group of volunteer engineers to talk to the students later in the year. The Future Problem Solvers group is doing very well.

Meeting January 27th

Mr. Siddiqi urges 6th and 7th grade parents to attend an *important* meeting about the future of gifted education at Robious. The meeting will take place Tuesday, January 27th at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium.

The next EBO meeting will be Thursday, February 12 at 1:45 in the school cafeteria. All parents are invited to attend.

Submitted by

Carol Catron, EBO Secretary