

**Minutes**  
**Cochise APT Board Meeting**  
**Wednesday, September 7, 2011**

Present: Allison Barkley, Sarah Stammegna, Lisa Bloom, Tiffanie Kief, Heather Griller Clark, Laura Johnston, Noel Dean, Wendy Slepian, Dana Gapusan, Debbie Bollinger, Mia Kirkwood, Linda Sweeney, Fabiana Stauffer, Lisa Stevens, Amy Kircos, Linda Lachot, Catri Casey, Maureen Stepanek, Stephanie Sims, Nathan Jones, Scott Gulinson, and Susan Brown (+ four other parents/total 26 people in attendance).

1. The Meeting was called to order after the 5th Grade Band Performance. APT Board Members were introduced.

**2. Recording Secretary - Laura Johnston - No report.**

- Note: Minutes from the Executive Board Meeting (8/11/11) were approved via email. Heather Griller Clark motioned to approve these minutes and Noel Dean seconded the motion – motion carried.

**3. President's Report – Allison Barkley**

- Thank you to all who joined APT during the membership drive (exceeded our goal and raised over \$23,000!). Special thanks goes to Tiffanie Kief, Stephanie Sims, and Elicia Kniffin!

- Dr. Peterson's office hours will be on 9/9 from 1-2pm @ Cochise and on 9/13 from 6-8 at Chaparral.

- Reminder: There is an Early Release on 9/21.

**4. Principal's Report - Sarah Stammegna**

- Sarah thanked APT board and members for all they do for Cochise!

- Explained that she is really working on Communication this year. Communication is going out through Cochise's website as well as the Bobcat Bulletin (once per month). Gave information regarding two programs on the website that are helpful to parents and students (Success Maker and Discovery Education). These programs can be used for enrichment or intervention activities.

- Solar Shade Covers will be installed soon in front of the school for weather/sun protection. We worked hard last year to raise money for the shade structures. Raised enough for one structure. The remaining shade structures are being given to us from Cocopah.

- Sarah was awarded the Sums Grant in July. This allows for a team of teachers from Cochise to go for training at the Department of Education to learn the latest and greatest math strategies which are researched based.

- Smooth start to school this year. Explained that the "cool off rooms" are still being used due to the heat index. This index is being checked daily by Sarah and the school nurse. A parent noted concern regarding children watching movies. Sarah will bring this information back to school individuals.

- Sarah informed meeting participants about the beautiful new tree that Cochise has in front of the school. This tree was planted in honor of Kallista Rebholz.

### **5. Treasurer's Report - Mia Kirkwood**

- Reviewed Final 2010-2011 budget (please see Final Budget attached). Heather Griller Clark motioned to put this budget to rest. Wendy Slepian seconded the motion and motion carried.

- Reviewed Proposed 2011-2012 budget (please see Proposed Budget attached). Mia reviewed line items that changed. Noel Dean motioned to accept this budget, Debbie Bollinger seconded the motion, and motion carried.

### **6. Corresponding Secretary - Keri Wilson - No Report**

### **7. Hospitality - Dana Gapusan**

- Snacks will be provided for volunteers during the Health Screenings.

### **8. Student Activities - Wendy Slepian**

- Recap of Art Masterpiece Meeting: Wendy explained to new parents what this program is and what it does for our school. Amy Lashbrooke is the new Art Masterpiece Coordinator for Cochise. We are in need of more parent volunteers to teach Art Masterpiece lessons in the classrooms (especially in kindergarten).

-Arts in Ed. Meeting Recap: Fabiana Stauffer, co-president of the Arts in Education Council for Scottsdale Schools (AEC), spoke about AEC. AEC is a forum of parents, teachers and community members, organized in 1973, to advocate for quality fine arts education for all K-12 SUSD students. AEC meets once a month, on a Tuesday, from 9:15am – 10:15am and these meetings are held in the APT room. All are invited. Next meeting 10/4. Recap of the AEC Meeting held on 9/5/11: AEC is funding and coordinating the professional performances that are coming to elementary schools (ES).

Cochise has booked theirs already; Bylaws were revised and are posted on their website; Discussion about possible fundraiser coming in the Spring. More details to come.

## **9. Fundraising - Debbie Bollinger and Tammy Ryan**

- Brew Ha Update: This event will be held on Friday, September 16, 2011 at Blue 32 (7923 N. Scottsdale Rd) from 6:30 - 8:30. There will be a 50/50 raffle and a Wine Pull. Buy a cork for \$20.00 and you will receive a bottle of wine with at least a \$20.00 value. Kim Barnes needs volunteers. Wine donations can be dropped off at the home of Kari Carey (8119 East Del Joya Dr.) or Linda Lachot (8353 East Cheryl Dr.).

- Chipotle - Susan has arranged for a fundraising event to be held here on October 5 from 4:00 - 8:00. Chipotle will kick back 50% of sales to us! (location is on Hayden Rd.).

- Made \$125 with Jamba Juice (sold out); Did not make as much money but students seemed to like it more.

- T-shirts and tumbler orders have been placed. Doubled the # of sizes and will sell the week after members get their items. Will have 26 extra tumblers to sell.

- Golf: Will be held September 17th at McCormick Ranch Golf Club (begins at noon). We need golfers! Spread the word!! Flyer went out in Backpacks and information was sent via the Blast. Will need volunteers to help with checking in the golfers.

- Carnival Update: Lisa Bloom reported that wrist bands will be sold again this year. The band allows access to all Carnival activities (no food).

## **10. Community Events - Heather Griller Clark**

- Recap of Backpack Drive: Linda Lachot will be taking the backpacks to Hohokam School.

- SPC Meeting Recap: Allison explained what the Scottsdale Parent Council is and what it does for Cochise. Minutes from this meeting can be found at [scottsdaleparentcouncil.org](http://scottsdaleparentcouncil.org). Amy Kircos volunteered to a parent volunteer for site council. Thank you Amy!

## **11. Members - Tiffany Kief**

- Membership Drive Recap: Raised over 23,000 (4,000 in advertising)!! Close to 300 families are signed up!!

- Directory Update: Parents will be able to pick these up in a few weeks in front of the school. T shirts and tumblers will be bundled with the directory.

## **12. Volunteers - Linda Sweeney**

- Volunteer forms: info. compiled and spreadsheet distributed.
- Recap of Room Parent Meeting: Meeting went well. Information was distributed to new room parents.
- Health Screening Day: Will be held on Thursday, September 15, 2011. All students will have a height, weight, vision, and hearing screening.

## **13. New Business**

- Next meeting will be held on October 6, 2011 at 9:00 am in the APT Room.

**14. Adjournment** - Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.