

# Neil Cummins PTA

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## Minutes from "General Meeting" on 11/16/2006 - 8:00pm

Tue, 08/28/2007 - 9:47am — Sheri Mowbray

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**Minutes for:** General Meeting *from* 11/16/2006 - 8:00pm *to* 11/16/2006 - 8:30pm

**Attendees:**

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Neil Cummins PTA

Minutes of General Membership Meeting

Thursday November 16, 2006, 7:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Corte Madera Town Center

**Attendees:**

Dominique Harroch, Co-President; Laura Anderson, Co-President; Linda Henn, Vice President; Cindy Traverso, Vice President; Julia Ritter, Vice President; Lisa Donahue, Vice President; Carolyn Caindec, Vice President; Sheri Mowbray, Secretary; Karen Dunn, Treasurer; Lisa Klein, Historian; Joanie Costamagna, Auditor; Marilyn Clark, Principal; Lisa Poole; Tasmin Pesso; Margot Segal; Dany Phillippe; Alison Kreshin; Beth Hoehn; Karen Bond; Lucia Eakle; Victoria Love Yusim; Shaun Donahue; Lori Saltreit; Alyce Hinshaw; Tom Smith; Eric Somerville; Kit Warne; Kristin Lorenz; Dorian Carlisle; Melanie Garrigues; Jennifer Sterne; Lee Sterne; Malcolm Morgan; Juliana Morgan; Susan Zec; Leslie Jacobs.

**Meeting Notes**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m. by President Dominique Harroch.

**Review of Agenda**

**Treasurer's Report**

Karen Dunn distributed the check detail report for 10/12-11/15, 2006. She noted that the current bank balance is approximately \$60,000. We have a \$94,000 receivable outstanding with the district which is for first session lunch income. The wrapping paper sale was very successful, bringing in \$26,000 which will bring \$13,000 in net proceeds. These funds will be sent to Hall to pay for fifth grade outdoor education. We have paid \$1,000 so far toward the fourth grade overnight that will take place in the spring. We have also issued a \$10,000

check to the Hall PTA to pay for augmentation of their play structure.

Karen noted that we needed to ratify the payments that have been made from 10/12-11/15, 2006. Cindy Traverso moved that we ratify the said payments. Lisa Klein seconded. The motion carried.

Karen distributed a list of the funds that we need to release, as follows:

Teacher Stipend	\$2,450
HRP/Committee Head Lunch	\$300
Kindergarten Registration (2/7)	\$ 75
TV Turn-Off Week (funding only)	\$180
Musical Theater (3/29-3/31)	\$10,000
Variety Show (3/2)	\$500

Carolyn Caindec moved that we release said funds. Lisa Donahue seconded. Motion carried.

#### Principal's Report

Marilyn Clark welcomed everyone who came to listen to Dr. Madeline Levine speak. She noted that it is an important topic of interest. She mentioned that Dan Kindlon who came to speak earlier in the week through a program sponsored by the Ross Valley, Kentfield and Larkspur school districts, spoke on a similar topic and gave specialized presentations to the teachers and the administrations prior to his talk to the parents. She said it was very informative. She applauded the PTA for bringing in such a high caliber speaker.

#### Approval Items

- Minutes from General Membership Meeting 10/12/06. Karen Dunn moved that we approve these minutes. Linda Henn seconded. Motion carried and minutes are approved.

- \$300 for 10 rolling library carts - This will give all classrooms a rolling cart. Beth Hoehn moved that we approve the expenditure and Tasmin Pessa seconded. The motion carried.

- \$500 for lunch table repairs. Lisa Donahue moved that we approve the expenditure. Dany Phillipps seconded. The motion carried.

- \$425 for 2005-06 yearbook expense due to pricing increase with decrease in order volume

Cindy Traverso moved that we approve the expense. Lisa Klein seconded. The motion carried.

- \$1,000 for landscape architect - This would pay for a plan to be drawn up to beautify the "dead zone" area between the A & B wing including the areas that will NOT be used for the labyrinth. Linda Henn moved that we approve the expense. Lisa Donahue seconded. The motion carried.

- \$500 for playground toys and rainy day games - Carolyn Caindec moved that we approve the expense. Cindy Traverso seconded. The motion carried.

Dany Phillipis moved that we release funds for all above items just approved. Julia Ritter seconded. The motion carried and said funds are released.

#### Additional Business

- A question was raised about the possibility of the PTA considering investing some of our available funds in additional play equipment for the kindergarten playground now that the kindergarteners are in school for a longer time and have more time outside. There was a concern that the playground was "overcrowded". Marilyn Clark said that while there are indeed more kindergarteners this year than in prior years, the playground is not overcrowded and that there are actually fewer kids on the playground at one time than in the past. Laura Anderson said that the board would add this to their "wish list" that is being compiled.

- A question was raised about hot lunch and whether there is sufficient time for kids to get through the lunch lines and still have time to eat, particularly first graders. Marilyn noted that the lines are actually shorter than before because only one grade is coming through at a time.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m. The next meeting is on January 18, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.

After adjournment, Dr. Madeline Levine spoke on "The Price of Privilege".

Respectfully submitted,

Sheri Mowbray

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