

**Explorer Elementary
Parent Council Meeting Minutes
May 13, 2008**

- Attendance: Cris Anderson, Lise Bernard, Cindy Borkum, Gretchen Gillingham, Wendy Hutchison, Anna Jimenez, Erica Lund-Anastasakis, Carol Mead, Kelly Moore, Nadi Ovanessoff, Kim Weinstein, Reita Sebert, Tracy Wilkinson, Patti Bruffey, Jana Fortune, Jill Green, Zoltan Sarda
- Minutes:
 - Jana Fortune moved to approve.
 - Cris Anderson seconded.
- Reita Sebert and Cindy Borkum – Art From the Heart:
 - Total - \$93,104.33
 - Maestrosoft Software:
 - Would like to add on web based access so that everyone can work on the event simultaneously.
 - They need more people involved in the future.
 - The committee should be set before the end of the year.
 - They need a bigger budget.
 - They need the plan to be lower.
 - Reita is on board to help for next year.
- Tracy Wilkinson – Budget Report:
 - All up to date.
- Zoltan Sarda:
 - Discussed Attribution Theory and how it relates to the Social Curriculum.
- Jill Green:
 - Art From the Heart was amazing.
 - We should do it at Explorer every year.
 - Thanks so much for Teacher Appreciation. It was wonderful. Special thanks to Kathy Saucedo, Michelle Dykstra, Theresa Sullivan and Debbie Boss.
 - Graduation is coming up and is, as always, an obsession for Jill.
 - Exhibition Night is May 28.
 - Mrs. Ritter is retiring.
 - Jill is working on the plan for teacher placement in the fall.
 - Kelly Moore and Carol Mead are working on a new after school enrichment plan that will include the following:
 - Choir
 - A fall play
 - A spring play
 - Home work Club
- Carol Mead:
 - The school is asking for a Parent Council pledge of \$100,000 for the 2008-2009 school year.
 - This is unrestricted money.
 - The pledge will balance out expenditures due to the expected budget cuts.
 - The state's average daily attendance money per student has been cut.
 - The Board needs to know for the June budget meeting.

- Lise Bernard motions to guarantee \$100,000 to go to the school operating budget for the 2008-2009 school year. This is to be revisited yearly.
 - Cris Anderson seconds the motion.
 - Motion passed.
 - Carol Mead and Jana Fortune will get together regarding the end of the year celebration.
 - Ice Cream is difficult. Is there something else we can do?
 - Exhibition Night – May 28
 - Skate Night – may 29
 - Field Day – May 30
- Voting:
 - President - Anna Tachco Jimenez 13 votes
 - Vice President/Volunteer Coordinator – Jana Fortune 13 votes
 - Co-Vice President/Communications Coordinators – Erica Lund-Anastasakis, Becky Wheelock - 13 votes
 - Room Parent Coordinator – Gretchen Gillingham 13 votes
 - Secretary – Margaret Egler 13 votes
 - Treasurer – Tracy Wilkinson 13 votes
 - Co-Fundraising Coordinators – Cindy Borkum, Tina Remley, Vicky Ross 13 votes
 - Parliamentarian – Wendy Hutchison 13 votes
 - Board Liaison – Nadi Ovanessoff 13 votes
 - At Large – Gladys Dutton 13 votes
 - Transfer of Executive parent Council Board at the end of the final meeting.
- Meeting Adjourned.