

Monarch Elementary PTA Board
Meeting Minutes
February 5, 2016 – 9:30am

Board Members: Barnes, Colleen / Beard, Carol / Davis, Kathryn / Delaney, Alicia / Hodge, Susan / Kelly, Rachel / Kish, Kerrie / Overman, Vaughan / Quarles, Lori / Shepard, Nancy / Strohmaier, Shelly / Winch, Paige / Wingate, Erica

Call to Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members in Attendance/Absent Noted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Present: Colleen Barnes, Alicia Delaney, Susan Hodge, Rachel Kelly, Kerrie Kish, Vaughan Overman, Lori Quarles, Nancy Shepard, Shelly Strohmaier, Paige Winch ○ Absent: Carol Beard, Kathryn Davis, Erica Wingate • Agenda Agreement
Consent Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (January) Motion to approve the minutes made by Shelly Strohmaier. Seconded by Alicia Delaney. Motion unanimously passes. • Committee Reports (see reports section) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ways & Means – Rachel ○ Programs & Services – Lori ○ Membership – Alicia ○ Business Partners – Katherine ○ Volunteers – Paige
Active Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal’s Report – Vaughan Overman The school is currently scheduling testing. We will begin with ESOL. We are also scheduling MAP testing. Thank you to PTA for the purchase of Chromebooks. These will really help with testing. The Arctic Museum for K5 is next week. We have several students recognized by D1 for Reflections. We have met re: shade covers. The DFK is completed. The district requires an Engineer Stamp. We went back to the supplier to see about the stamp. Most likely we will have to pay \$600-\$1200. Even if it runs \$1200 the total cost will still be below other quotes. Mrs. Kish did an excellent job with the artist in residence. It was so much more than even Mrs. Kish expected. As a result of this grant the 4th grade is learning world dances and the 3rd grade is taking a field trip to the Greenville Art Museum. The design is set for the In”tire”national competition through Michelin. Mrs. Kish and helpers have started working on the display. There have been many students audition for Alice In Wonderland. Through the audition process it became evident that many of the 2nd graders are not familiar with Alice In Wonderland so they will be showing the movie. Colleen will come to the next staff meeting to present Teacher Dates. In a meeting with the Room Parents it was brought up that Lunch Relief is a problem to schedule and feedback is that not bringing siblings is contributing to this. Mrs. Overman is not opposed to siblings coming in for lunch relief but it really depends on the grade (Kindergarten requires more help than older grades) We can try letting siblings come in and readdress if not working. It was also brought up in the room parent meeting that parents come in to help in class and a lot of times the teachers have copying but a badge is required for copying now. The teachers and staff cannot give their badges to anyone. Mrs. Overman will address this

	<p>with the Technology Committee to see if there is anything that can be done. There continues to be lots of questions from parents about spelling lists. It was decided that a lunch and learn for Leveled Readers and Spelling Lists would be helpful. Mrs. Overman will get with Melody to coordinate.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President’s Report – Colleen Barnes There will be no PTA meeting Monday February 8. We are working with guidance to help for upcoming programs. • Treasurer’s Report – Shelly Shelly reviewed income and expenses. Began planning for Monapalooza as far as treasury needs.
<p>Open Discussion / Announcements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nominating Committee 2016-2017 The Nominating Committee has been slated. The proposed committee is Amy Ponton, Alicia Delaney, Jenine Grenenwald, Amanda Guman, Jackie Zannino. • PTA of the Year - Teacher / Volunteer / Support Staff / Student Volunteer This year we will do nominations and voting for awards electronically through Facebook, weekly teacher emails to parents, PTA website, etc. There has been one nomination for Student of the year. Still looking for other nominations. The PTA of the Year awards, Science Fair, and Reflections (school and district) winners will be recognized at an assembly on a school night date TBD. • STEAM Day – Prep/Planning (March 23rd) STEAM day is now scheduled for March 23. Readiness for this event was discussed. Colleen will meet with the administration to discuss plans and ask for information and will assess readiness at that point. • SCPTA Annual Awards – Due 3/1 Nancy and Colleen will look to see what SCPTA awards we will apply for. • Monapalooza – 2016 Fundraising Goals Defined The board decided that the goal would be 50-100 Chromebooks to help school achieve 1 on 1 goal for 4th and 5th graders. • Monapalooza T Shirt Design • Guidance Department <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Disability Awareness (Feb 24 – 26) ○ Kindness Matters Week (Feb 8-12) ○ Pennies for Patients (Feb/Mar) • Culver’s Spirit Night – March date (Thursday) Culvers is available for a Spirit night any week in March on Thursday. The board decided we would put it off right now as the calendar is full. • Book Fair Week (2/22 – 2/26) – Book Bingo night on 25th During Book Fair week, the fair will be open on Thursday evening during the Book Bingo. • Battle of the Books Colleen is waiting to hear if any support is needed for Battle of the Books. • Silent Auction – Teacher Dates • Robotics Team to State – February 6th • Science Fair Winners / Reflections Winners • Innisbrook Acquisition to EDI – Supply Kits for 2016-2017 from School Box Innisbrook has been purchased by EDI. School Box will be our new supplier for school supply kits. The prices will be a bit cheaper and 1% more will come back to PTA. We will have to start about 2 weeks earlier as the lead time is different. • School Board Luncheon

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SCPTA Convention – April 15th & 16th (Goose Creek, SC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Tshirt sponsorship \$100 • Questions / Comments
Next Meeting	Friday, March 4 th @ 9:30am
Dates to Remember	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2/5 – Father/Daughter Dance • 2/8 – 2/12 – Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week • 2/8 – PTA Meeting (Nominating Committee Elected) • 2/9 – Skate Night (Support PE Department) • 2/15 – NO SCHOOL – President’s Day • 2/18 – 3rd Qtr Interim Progress Reports • 2/18 – Class Pictures • 2/19 – Box Tops Contest Deadline • 2/22 – 2/26 – Book Fair • 2/23 – CFA Spirit Night • 2/25 – Book Bingo • 2/29 – Mother/Son Event @ Gravitopia • 3/3 – Fuddruckers Spirit Night • 3/7 – SIC Meeting • 3/7 – 3/9 – 4th Grade to Barrier Island • 3/15 – CFA Spirit Night • 3/18 – 3rd Qtr Ends • 3/18 – 3rd Grade to the State House • 3/21 – Monarch’s Got Talent • 3/24 – 3rd Qtr Report Cards • 3/25 – NO SCHOOL – Make Up Day #4 • 3/28 – 4/1 – NO SCHOOL – Spring Break
Adjournment	Close Meeting

- **Ways & Means – Rachel**
 - Father/Daughter Dance TONIGHT
 - Mother/Son Event
 - Silent Auction in Full Swing
 - Monapalooza in Full Swing
- **Friends of Monarch – Erica**
 - Banner is done and at printer
- **Programs & Services – Lori**
 - **Terrific Kids ceremony** is scheduled for Friday, February 12th. Michele Young will take pictures of the ceremony and will be posting the pictures afterwards.
 - **Science Night** has been cancelled. The activities will be rolled into STEAM day (which is now scheduled for March 23rd)
 - **STEAM Day** rescheduled and is now set for March 23rd. Status meetings and updates will need to start next week so we have enough time to get it all prepared.
 - **Staff Appreciation Week** is scheduled for February 8th - February 12th is in full swing.
- **Membership – Alicia**
 - 100% (teacher & parent). All reports have been submitted to D1 and the State.
- **Business Partners – Katherine**

- DFK submitted to GCS – request came back that drawings need “engineer stamp”. May be additional cost to us to have this done. Between \$600 and \$1200.
- Working to obtain sponsorships for the Monapalooza t-shirts. Form about contest is ready to go out.
- **Volunteers – Paige**
 - Monapalooza – working on spreadsheet & volunteer requirements
 - Disability Awareness
 - Room Parent Meeting went well – room parents are trying to encourage more parents to volunteer