

Cougar Council Meeting Minutes
8 May 2012 General Board Meeting

The Final General Board Meeting for 2011-2012 of the Central Academy Parent-Teacher-Student Association was held on May 8, 2012, in the media center. Members present were Christa Dailey, Adam Dailey, Agnes Florian, Nancy Bishop, Deb Watts, Deb Christensen and Karen Morgal. Teresa Edwards is excused for a family commitment. Deb Christensen will serve as acting secretary and will be taking minutes tonight. President Adam Dailey called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

Deb Christensen presented **the Secretary Report** on behalf of Teresa Edwards, which was approved after unanimous vote following a motion to accept the minutes with corrections (Teresa Edwards was actually present for the meeting but not listed in the minutes)(add a space between the words “thefollowing”) by Deb Christensen, and second by Adam Dailey.

The **Treasurer Report** was not available. A check for \$65 was written for the bus driver appreciation. This was for the purchase of the cupcakes. A parent made a \$20 donation. A report will be available next month.

Teacher Appreciation – Agnes Florian and Christa Dailey are organizing a luncheon for the teachers May 9. Adam Dailey thanked Agnes Florian and Christa Dailey for all of their hard work. Adam asked if anything else needed to be done and Christa said just to lay down the red carpet and Agnes said to get all the food together. Karen Morgal thanked Deb Christensen for setting up the Sign Up Genius for the luncheon. Everyone said it was very easy to use. The group agreed to meet in Mrs. Drye’s room between 9 and 9:30 on Wednesday morning.

The **Womanless Beauty Pageant** was cancelled due to lack of candidates and rehearsal time. Adam Dailey said that they would like to try again for the fall since we have a tiara with the year 2012 on it.

At our April meeting, the Nominating Committee presented names for the Cougar Council Parent Teacher Student Organization Officers for the 2012-2013 school year. According to the by-laws, “If there is only one nominee for any office, that nominee is automatically elected.”

Therefore, our new officers for the 2012-2013 school year are:

Deb Watts	President
Adam Dailey	Vice President
Karen Morgal	Treasurer
Agnes Florian	Hospitality
Teresa Edwards	Secretary
Christa Dailey	Teacher Appreciation

Adam Dailey made a motion to approve these nominations and elect these officers, which was seconded by Agnes Florian, and passed by unanimous vote by all members present. Much gratitude is extended to all those who served faithfully this year. According to the by-laws, “Officers shall assume their official duties at the end of the Final General Board meeting of the school year of the election and will serve for a term of one year or until their successors are elected” therefore, the new officers will take effect immediately.

The audit of the financial records cannot be done at this time. The audit has to wait until after the end of the current fiscal year. The papers usually arrive in mid-July.

There was discussion about how much money some of the other school PTSOs have and how do they get their larger balances. Some of the other schools do more fundraising and have more people with cards tied to the cards that stores have. Deb Watts suggested getting a radio spot to advertise the Cougar Council and/or the grocery card loyalty programs.

Deb Watts would like to target the incoming freshmen parents by reaching them through personal calls, etc. to try and get more people involved in the organization and meetings. Deb Watts said when she called people for senior week to congratulate them on having a senior, people really appreciated the personal touch. One of Deb Watt's personal goals is to make sure that there is more of an offer to have more of a personal touch.

Adam Dailey suggested meeting at the end of the school year or early July to start planning what the group wants to get done next year. Karen Morgal said she would look into fundraising options and commented that the PTSO booth was not in the best location for last year's orientation. Nancy Bishop said she would not be available after school gets out but would like to attend a meeting before school gets out. Deb Watts suggested that suggestions be emailed to her so that if someone cannot attend the meeting, their voice can still be heard. Deb Watts said this would also help her to categorize things before the meeting.

Adam Dailey said that the end of the year meeting shouldn't be a huge meeting with a lot of new people since it is harder to come up with a plan with so many new people. Once you have a plan, you can get more people involved.

Teresa Edwards had mentioned to Christa Dailey that she made a suggestion to clear the bill for the medallions for graduation. The Cougar Council has already paid for this year's medallions but if the PTSO pays off the bill, then next year's senior gift will be taken care of as well. Adam Dailey made a motion to pay the \$635 and Karen Morgal seconded. Unanimous agreement. The PTSO will pay off the bill for the medallions and have two year's worth of senior gifts taken care of.

Adam Dailey made a motion to adjourn at 7:47pm, seconded by Agnes Florian. Unanimous agreement.

The Cougar Council will adjourn for the year and will resume meetings in August 2012.

Respectfully submitted,
Deb Christensen, Acting Secretary
Cougar Council, PTSO