

Home Learners Association of CNY

Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, May 25, 2010 - 7:00 p.m.

St. Michael's Lutheran Church - Camillus

Type of Meeting: Annual Meeting

Meeting Facilitators: Jenafer Medina and Gretchen Surface, Co-Presidents

- I. Call to order – 7:06 p.m.
- II. Roll call of Board Members – All present.
 1. Prospective members present included Sarah and Mark Dadey.
- III. Approval of minutes from last meeting - Approved
- IV. Open issues
 1. Membership
 - a) Approval of new members – all approved.
 2. Treasurer Update
 - a) Bank account information - \$1459.21 at M&T and \$399.87 in PayPal.
 - b) We decided to renew our domain name for the next 2 years for \$30.
 - c) We will pay our insurance premium of \$305 for the year.
 3. Co-op
 - a) Dates
 1. Feedback has indicated that many members want co-op to go through May. We're going to add a Spring II session.
 2. Fall I will be Sept. 10 through Oct. 15. No co-op Oct. 22. Fall II will be Oct. 29th through Dec. 10th – one week off for Thanksgiving. Break will be through December. Winter will be Jan. 14th through Feb. 18th. Spring I will be March 4th through April 8th. Spring II will be April 15^h – May 27th – one week off for Good Friday, as the church needs space during the time around Easter.
 - b) Proposed Classes
 1. Sabine – music, Micheline – art, April – cooking, Jessica – philosophy and math. Finding a new/additional preschool teacher was discussed.
 - c) Potluck Lunches
 1. We discussed having everyone chip in to order pizza so more people will stay for lunch. We'll see what kind of interest we get from the group in September.

d) Committees

1. Updated guidelines have been created. They are available for each committee to view through Google Docs by logging in with the committee gmail address.
2. Designation of liaisons between the group and the board member who oversees each group.
3. Committee updates
 1. Parties and Events – Report by Jen
 - Party Committee and Special Events Committee have been combined into one led by Jen and Steve.
 - Family Dinner/Picnic has been discussed.
 - Two science fairs are planned for next year – October and March; science kits and ribbons were a big hit. Event was free to HLANCY members; non-members had a \$5 fee attached.
 - Two festivals are planned – December and May.
 2. Newsletter – Report by Jen
 - Spring issue was skipped, but a summer issue will come out sometime in late June or July.
 3. Parent Support Committee – Report by Gretchen
 - A Homeschool 101 meeting tentatively has been scheduled for Tuesday, June 15th pending confirmation from libraries as to available meeting space. This will be a child-friendly location so kids can get together, too. Examples of Letters of Intent, IHIPs, quarterly reports, annual reports, and testing options will be displayed and discussed.
 - Casual, social, adults-only get-togethers at local restaurants on the first Tuesday of each month were discussed. The first one will be July 6th at Applebee's in Camillus. Get-togethers will be alternated around town so that members in various areas are more inclined to go.
 4. Field Trip Committee – Report by Jessica
 - Numerous field trips have been planned, including ones to Petco, Pizzeria Uno, and Fort Riskey. Members have asked that one field trip a month be planned, as more than that can get too busy. Certainly, members don't need to go on each trip, but they are very popular events.

4. Upcoming Events

- a) Roseland Water Park - June 21st. Fee will be \$9 each and you may bring picnics to have on the lawn.

5. Weekly Reader Orders

- a) We've discussed making a Weekly Reader subscription a member benefit. We've approved offering it at a discount of \$2.00. Issues will come 40 weeks a year and will be picked up at co-op.

V. New Business and Questions from Membership

1. Parent Involvement

- a) We need parents to watch their children more closely. We will draw up firmer guidelines and work to help parents to do this. We need a parent or a team of parents to cover the nursery. This will be compensated through vouchers, so please consider signing up!

VI. Adjournment – 8:24 p.m.

1. Our next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, June 22nd at St. Michael's Lutheran Church in Camillus.