

NPTO Meeting Minutes
November 7, 2013

“Strengthening the Nova Community”

Our Mission

Nova Classical Academy PTO is an organization of volunteers engaging families, teachers, and staff in fostering a school community that actively supports Nova’s mission and enriches the students and the school. Any and all current Nova parents and staff are considered members. There are no dues.

Taken by Beth Hawley, NPTO Co-Chair

I. Welcome and Roll Call (Susan)

- a. Called to order at 4:00 PM.
- b. In attendance: Susan Hooge (Chair), Beth Hawley, Co-Chair, Robin Cerio (Co-Chair), Jane Lagerquist (Board Liaison), Jennifer Marker Johnson (Treasurer), Brian Bloomfield (Executive Director), Claudia Blumenstock (11th Grade Parent Rep.), Jamie Knippel (3rd Grade Room Parent), Samantha Fischer (2nd Grade Room Parent), Diane Rude (LS Math Teacher), Pat Bodenstab (1st Grade Teacher), Jennifer Johnson, Kelly O’Rourke, Karen Bailey, Ms. Corletto (Kindergarten Teacher), Ms. Knudsen (Kindergarten Teacher).
- c. Copies of the October Meeting Minutes were provided and approved. Robin moved they be approved and Beth seconded the motion.

II. Officer Reports

- a. Board Meeting/Executive Director Update (Brian)
 - i. The Board will be voting on the 2014-15 School Calendar at the November meeting. The calendar will get populated with August event dates.
 - ii. There are 167 applications for Nova students. Great Gatherings was a huge success!
- b. Treasurer’s Report (Jenni)
 - i. Tax forms are being uploaded and the current budget is on the main page.
 - ii. Jenni shared details on the Finance Budget and explained how the new system doesn’t allow you to do both systems at the same time. See her handouts for more details. The childcare budget will probably go over budget.

III. Events Update

- a. Parent Ed Night (Jane)
 - i. On November 20 there will be two Parent Ed Nights (College Enrichment and SoR Overview). The Baking Brigade will provide treats.
- b. Winter Break Treats (Jane)
 - i. Upper school students will receive cookies and hot cocoa (juice and allergy friendly cookies for those with allergies) during lunch on the

mezzanine on Monday, December 16. Lower school students will be served in their classrooms throughout the afternoon on Friday, December 20.

ii. Susan, Jane and Beth will move forward with the planning.

c. EduKit

i. This update is tabled until next month. Jenni reported that \$1150 has been paid to Edukit and she will follow up with Jody.

d. New NPTO Room (Brian/Robin)

i. NPTO storage cabinets will be moved to a portion of Room 225 which is also a shared EA workspace. NPTO meetings will continue to be held in Room 202.

ii. There will be an area for staff paper supplies (cups, napkins, etc.) once the NPTO is moved.

e. Senior Breakfast Funding (Jane)

i. Discussion was held about subsidizing the 8th Grade Graduation Breakfast since there are now more students. This can be looked at as a prioritization next year.

f. Staff Funding for Events (Susan)

i. Discussion was held regarding staff funding for events (GG, Holiday Party, August cookout) and it was agreed to keep it as is.

g. Lost and Found (Susan/Jenni)

i. Since this is not led by the NPTO, there is no need for an officer to oversee. The supplies will be moved to the lost and found area. Thanks to Jenni and Melissa for such an amazing job!

h. Volunteer Hour Reporting (Susan)

i. Please remember to submit volunteer hours including attendance at meetings. There are blank volunteer hour slips at the front desk for convenience.

IV. IV. Review of Recent Events

a. The Barnes & Noble Bookfair was the most successful to date. Twice as many books (220) were purchased for teachers from Nova families. Thank you to the teachers for coming in to read to families.

b. Great Gatherings

i. This year all expenses were covered with ticket sales!

ii. Open events will go live next week. Over 300 people were in attendance. Outside area was very welcoming and well received. The photo booth was successful and Grapes of Math sold out!

c. SoL/R Parent Ed. Night – This event on Reading had a smaller attendance.

V. Public comment – Ms. Corletto thanked the NPTO for her 2nd teacher grant.

The meeting adjourned at 4:58 pm.