

## **Audubon PTSA General Membership Meeting**

*April 26, 2013*

Minutes

### **I. Call to Order**

President Mindy Lincicome called the Audubon PTSA General Membership Meeting to order at 10:15 AM on the Audubon playground. Approximately 50 PTSA members were present (sign-in sheet on file).

The minutes from the March 7, 2013 were read and approved as read.

### **II. New Business**

The purpose of today's General Membership meeting is to consider funding a new playground structure for the upper playground, and to approve funding for improvements and repairs to the lower playground structure.

The upper playground structure is about 30+ years old, and has had some structural integrity issues in recent years. We have a couple of proposals for replacement structures in hand from a district-approved vendor; both will cost approximately \$35,000 to install.

The lower playground structure is about 10 years old. There are some pieces that have cracked and need to be replaced. A couple of components are no longer considered the safest options by the district, so it has been recommended that we replace those as well. Total costs for the improvements will be about \$6000.

We get a cost savings by doing both projects together. Installation and demolition costs will add another \$6000 to the project. The district has done a preliminary review of our playground plans, and their management and oversight costs will add approximately 20% to the total costs.

Because the design isn't finalized, the Audubon Board is asking the General Membership to consider allocating up to \$60,000 toward this playground enhancement project. We have had several successful fundraising years in recent past that have allowed us to accumulate a surplus (beyond operating reserves and current year's budget) of just over \$60,000...so this amount will not require any additional fundraising efforts.

There was discussion and several questions about the scope and timeline of the project. We are hoping to have the installation of the new playground take place in summer of 2013.

It was moved by Susie Wright and seconded by Khris Schaffner that the Audubon PTSA spend up to \$60,000 to replace the upper playground structure and improve the lower structure. The motion passed enthusiastically and unanimously.

### **III. Closing**

President Mindy Lincicome adjourned the meeting at 10:30 AM as recess ended and we returned to the final session of the Jog-a-thon!