

Smoky Valley Home Educators Inc.  
Meeting of Members  
November 17, 2014

Call to Order: Mark Hoover

Invocation: Jesse Smith

Meeting held at First Covenant Church

Roll Call:

Previous Minutes accepted: Yes by Carroll Long and Karla Hoover

Treasurer's Financial Report: given by Carroll Long

Budget report accepted by Laurie Deckert and Lori Beiker

Activity Committee Reports:

Library: Meagan Long

Co-op: Renee Rivera and Gayle Pfannenstiel

Field trips: Renee Rivera

Choir: Meagan Long—Senior Choir; Ann Newcomer Kinder and intermediate choir

Athletics: A.D. Moe Rivera

Volleyball: Debbie Sexton and Nikole Bird

Basketball:

Unfinished Business—

- “Co-op” instructors—there has been a continuing discussion concerning the upper level instructors for what has been communicated as “Co-op classes.” The discussion involves the terms “service rendered” as opposed to “private instruction.” The need to address this issue has arisen do to the exchange of moneys. In the past, instructors have set a fee for their class and participants have paid the amount directly to the instructor. The instructor then was accountable to the parent for the students experience within his/her class. In other years, SVHE has collected all of the fees per family and then paid out to the instructor the full amount indicated by the fee per child enrolled in the said class. The instructor was accountable to the participant's guardian for the said service. For the current year 2014-2015, fees have been collected and the amounts have gone to an SVHE account. The instructors have been instructed to turn in receipts for any said costs related to the class the instructor has agreed to teach.
  - Current thoughts presented at meeting: Money that goes through SVHE is interpreted as contracted through SVHE; whereas, private lessons or instruction is understood as contracted between teacher and parent.
  - Questions arose: What is the difference between “private instructors” teaching classes to SVHE members as opposed to Choir leaders, basketball coaches, and the like?
  - SVHE as a 501C3 is required to file a 1099 on amounts over \$600 that is paid to any individual.

- Consensus agreed that classes offered by individuals as “private instruction” shall not be communicated as “co-op classes.”
  - Patricia motioned to allow instructors to teach as private classes as opposed to being offered as “co-op classes” through SVHE.
  - Motion accepted by Gayle Pfannenstiel
- Co-op will be considered activities that are offered to the entire group and organized for the purpose of a shared experience with other home schooled individuals.

New Business: Mark Otey and Laura Deckert are organizing the end of the year Play Day. They have reserved the VFW in Salina. The group will receive ongoing solicitation in order to fill any needs for this day’s events.

Upcoming Events:

- Women’s T.E.A has planned an extra outing on Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> at Mocha’s between 2-4 pm
- Christmas Party: Christmas around the World at First Covenant Church Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> between 9:30-11:45. Contact Gayle Pfannenstiel if you would like to participate.

Next Meeting: January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Meeting adjourned: Vinnie Pfannenstiel and Renee Rivera

\*Minutes prepared by Renee Rivera