

SMOKY VALLEY HOME EDUCATORS, INC.

Business Meeting

Webster Conference Center

08-06-2020

7:30 p.m

Meeting Called to Order by President Arlen Redden

Arlen Redden, Lane and Maria Mills family, John and Sonja Woods family, Jessica Linam, Carol Printz, David Green, Karla Schlatter, Denny and Melissa Phillips, Adham and Ami Ray, Melissa Miller, Jesse and Kimmi Smith, Kevin McDonald, Micah and Missy Mattison, Emma Ward, Somer Tucker, Dan and Regan Peterson, Deb Garretson, David and Kindra Johnson, Melodie Kejr, Arlen and Hayley Redden family, Zerger family, Browning family, Scott and Lindi Fahrenthold, Clausson family, Waller family, Jason Tracy

Attendees:

Agenda:

Idea gathering on class, coops, choir, athletics, field trips, ect. for the fall

Topics of Discussion:

Lane Mills opened in prayer. Reviewal of last business meeting minutes, Jesse motioned. Scott Fahrenthold second to approve minutes from last business meeting. Vote to approve meeting minutes. All in favor, none opposed

Jesse Smith steps in for Leah Graves, as treasurer, to go through the finances and budget totals of the Treasurers report. See Report for details. T.E.A. reimbursement, Eaglebots expenses discussed. Balance sheet, profit and loss statement for end of last school year. Budget proposal for this year. Email Arlen Redden for any budget questions. Deb Garretson stated baseball account inaccurate, but 0 balance.

Motion to approve Maria Mills, 2nd Scott Fahrenthold. Vote approved by all, none opposed.

Kimmie Smith, announced SVHE library details. It is within the First Southern Baptist library. Hours of operation are Monday-Thursday 9-noon and 1-4. SVHE and church library books available for check out.

Lindi Fahrenthold announced coop classes.

Regarding SVHE choir, there is no choir this fall because of Co-vid 19.

In place of that, music theory will be offered for High School students, Dominic will be teaching on Weds. 1-2:30.

Request made for moms to lead handbells and boom whackers for k-6th. Please email Lindi Fahrenthold if interested. Signups available.

Ann Newcomer is offering Geometry and other classes starting soon.

4H is open for enrollment and is the 2nd Tuesday of the month for ages 5-18.

Curriculum sale, first covenant Saturday.

Arlen announced that choir members from last spring, 2020, would have no payment for next spring, 2021, because of covid-19 cancellations. The payment from last year would carry over for those that were enrolled and paid in full in Spring of 2020.

Hayley Redden, Director of Classical Conversations, introduced and briefly spoke about their coop. Grades K-12, and mentioned the need for coop classes for the younger kids. They will be meeting and starting in a week. She will be scheduling field trips to the pumpkin patch, Mill Fest, Pioneer Days. However, many places are closed or limiting numbers. Watch for emails with

details. Please schedule any field trips you would like and let Arlen Redden know to add to the SVHE email announcements.

Heather Day, Athletic Director, announced that volleyball has started, they practice every weekday. Aug. 29th is the first game, Oct. 18th, 19th is the last tournament game for the season. All sports are open to Cornerstone Christian School and likewise all SVHE members can participate in their sports. Cornerstone is offering cross country. Steve Howe is the coach, and anyone interested can reach out to Heather for information. Basketball plans to move forward. Oct 14th practices kick off basketball. The Baseball coach is Jeff Garretson, and practices start first week of March, immediately following basketball and ends early May.

Jason Tracy, coach and organizer, spoke on Eaglebots. This is a lego robotics team. The team will be attending tournaments and video conferences. A few spots are open on the team. There is a fee required, available for ages 10-14. They are looking for help from parents for coaching this year or next. There will be events in the fall, as well as Dec. or Jan., which will be a big event, and could continue into the spring. Next year a new coach will be needed.

John Woods explains CHECK. This is a Statewide organization that advocates for homeschooling in the Kansas legislature and within politics in general. We have an intern at Capitol for committee meetings, she introduces herself to our legislators. This is Sidney's last year, her replacement needs to be a Sophomore or Junior to replace her for next year. Encouraged everyone to watch Kansas politics to protect our Christian homeschooling rights.

Arlen announced that Drama will not move forward this fall, there is a possibility it will be available in spring.

Missy Mattison is the organizer for T.E.A. Announcements can be found under events, on SVHE.com and on the SVHE Facebook page. There is a sheet for sign ups.

Member signups are available online, you can pay online or mail check. Arlen is available for questions, and support.

Introduce new officers: Jesse was President, stepped down to pastor fulltime, with Arlen Redden stepping in as President. Lane Mills is the new Vice President. He is also the youth pastor at First Southern Baptist Church.

Lane announced FSB is open for coop classes, there is space is available for no fee and is extended to any SVHE homeschoolers.

Arlen introduces the new council members, Leah Graves is Treasurer, Check Representative is John Woods, and Jessica Linam is Secretary. Checking account still to be changed over to add Leah's name to it.

Open to questions about homeschooling:

"Students getting ready to graduate?" Questions about "GED requirements?" Lindi and Scott Fahrenhtold offered to answer.

"What are age ranges for sports?" Baseball is high school. Volleyball and basketball is 6-12th grades.

Peter Browning announced Jr high and high school skills development for basketball from 6 a.m.-7:15 a.m. at First Covenant church on Magnolia on Tuesday mornings.

Motion to adjourn, Jesse Smith motioned, Scott Fahrenthold second to adjourn, vote to adjourn passed.

Jesse reminded, "We are connecting as homeschool families, with purpose. As we grow our kids in Christ, stay involved, stay connected, it is not easy. We need support, engage in T.E.A. events. It is critical and participation is worth it to raise and educate our kids in Christ. "

Jesse Smith closed in prayer,

Minutes submitted by Jessica Linam, SVHE Secretary