

SMOKY VALLEY HOME EDUCATORS, INC.

Business Meeting

In Person Family Fellowship Soup Supper at CrossRoads Church

Jesse Smith prayed for our meal

11/11/23

6:00 pm

Meeting called to order by Arlen Redden at 7:15 pm

Attendees: Michael & Melissa Miller (3) Janelle Elliott (3), Jesse & Kimmi Smith (5), Arlen & Hayley Redden (9), Dan & Regan Peterson (5)

Topics of Discussion: Approval of minutes from August; Approval of Treasurer's Report; Committee Reports: Library, COOP, Field Trips, PE, 4H, Art, Choir, TEA, Athletics, CHECK, Graduation, Website, New Business: Change of names on basketball checking account.

Roll Call: A sign in sheet was passed around. 5 families signed in for a total of 25 attending.

Minutes

Motion to Approve Jesse Smith

2nd Regan Peterson

Minutes Approved

Treasurer's Report

Motion to Approve Dan Peterson

2nd Kimmi Smith

Report Approved

November 11, 2023	
Beginning Balance	\$12,230.24
Income	
Membership Dues	\$2,505.00
Choir Membership Dues	\$1,420.00
Choir Fund Raiser	\$150.00
Dillons Fund Raiser Income	\$57.09
Background Check Payments	\$220.00
Total Income	\$4,352.09
Expenses	
JotForm Fees	\$38.00
PayPal Fees (Membership)	\$106.26
Website Domain Renewal	\$29.98

Paypal Fees (Choir)	\$44.95
Music Expenses	\$99.88
Programs/Social Expenses	\$229.55
Protect My Ministry (background checks)	\$95.00
Accompanist Expense	\$75.00
Choir Payment for Background Checks	\$40.00
Choir Facility Payment	\$200.00
New Members Packets	\$90.85
TEA Expenses	\$96.22
Total Expenses	\$1,145.69
General Fund Ending Balance	\$15,436.64
Baseball Ending Balance	\$824.82
Basketball Ending Balance	\$20,377.96
Volleyball Ending Balance	\$7,740.23
Cross Country Ending Balance	\$3,262.82
General Fund Assets	\$10,900.05
Choir Fund Assets	\$4,238.61
Cross Country	\$3,262.82
Eagle Bot Net Assets	\$297.98
Baseball Net Assets	\$824.82
Basketball Net Assets	\$20,377.96
Volleyball Net Assets	\$7,740.23
Total Net Assets	\$47,642.47

Committee Reports

Library/Kimmi Smith SVHE has a section of homeschool-specific materials in the First Southern Baptist Church library including curriculum, missionary biographies, homeschooling encouragement, plus a microscope and rock collection all located on the shelves in the middle of the room. You can also use their library computer to search for a specific title. We are also

allowed to check out any resource from their library. It's open 8-12, 1-5, M-Th. Ring the doorbell and the secretary will let you in.

COOP Art Classes/Karla Schlatter Art class was offered this fall for ages 5-13. This year's theme is art history and we will continue that again on the 2nd Wednesdays in the spring semester. Sign ups will be available in December. If a parent wants to head up a highschool art class, they are welcome to contact me and we can add that to our art program. I also have ideas and contacts for highschool art field trips.

COOP Field Trips/Megan Harding In September we attended the State Fair, despite a little rain we were able to enjoy some fun learning opportunities. At the end of September we visited Old Cowtown in Wichita and enjoyed a beautiful day outside exploring the downtown shops and learning about farm life in the 1800s. The P & M Pumpkin Ranch in October was another beautiful day with lots of fun activities and a lesson on pumpkin growing. We were blessed with another sunny day for our field trip yesterday to the Smoky Valley Railroad. Please be sure to confirm your attendance to all field trips with Megan Harding so that we can be sure to have adequate space for all who wish to attend.

The next semester is full of more trips for families to attend.

January 19 Kansas Days at the Smoky Hill Museum in Salina.

January 26 Salina Symphony

February 22 State Capitol in Topeka and Kansas Discovery Center

February 27 Pinkalicious at the Theater Salina

March 8 Salina Police Department and Salina Fire Department

March 29 Survival day near Randolph, Kansas followed by another activity TBD

April 12 Milford Nature Center and Hildebrand Farm

Physical Education Classes/Julie Chamberlin Monthly PE classes are an excellent way to exercise our bodies. Julie will send out Facebook and email reminders with detailed information as the class comes closer. Look for emails and invites to these PE activities: January - Swimming at the YMCA; February - Drum Fitness; March - TBD; April - Bowling; and May- Field Day.

4-H/Karla Schlatter Boldly Go 4-H has started for the year, but the great thing about 4-H is that you can join at any time. 4-H has much to offer in terms of various project meetings and conferences at the local, regional, state and national levels. 4-H is a great tool to have in your homeschooling pocket. We do have two exciting events coming up in 2024 and those are Gavel Games and County Club Days. Gavel Games is a competition where 4-Hers practice their parliamentary procedure or business meeting skills. Club Days is a place where students can give speeches, dramatic readings, instrumental and vocal performances in front of judges who will then give valuable feedback. To participate in those events you need to be enrolled in 4-H by Dec 1.

Choir/Sheila DeHaan We are looking forward to a worshipful concert on Tuesday at 7:00 at First Covenant Church. Kinder and Intermediate Choir students will also share their programs

next Thursday with the residents at Eaglecrest and with those who attend the Senior Citizen's Thanksgiving lunch at First Covenant. 132 students have participated in our choirs this semester.

Kinder and Intermediate Choirs will begin meeting again in mid-January for the spring concert which will take place in early April. The January start date will be communicated in December.

Plans are underway for Golden Belt Vocal Festival 2024, which will take place on March 15. Senior Choir students will have four afternoon rehearsals with Paul Austin and then four evening rehearsals with Eddie Creer prior to the March 15 festival day and concert. Evening rehearsal dates will be coming out soon. Stay tuned!

TEA/Melissa Miller On Saturday, September 2, TEA hosted a Back to School Brunch with 20 moms attending; On Friday October 6, we hosted The S'more the Merrier event with 12 moms attending. On Friday, November 17, we will be hosting Frosting, Icing, & Sprinkles Galore, Decorating Cookies and So Much More; and a bonus meeting at Moka's on Saturday, December 16 from 2-4 pm.

Athletics

Baseball/Jeff Garretson High school boys baseball will begin in the spring.

Basketball/John Donley The program will have two high school boys' teams, a high school girls' team, two junior high boys' teams and a junior high girls' teams. There are 53 student athletes signed up to play for the teams as well as numerous students who are attending practices but cannot play due to injuries or other circumstances. The program has been blessed with an abundance of coaches and volunteers to begin the year. The teams have a full slate of games this year. The season will end with the annual NDICHA tournament, which will be hosted in Salina this year. John Donley is the new athletic director for SVHE basketball and Nancy Romm is the new treasurer for the group.

Cross Country/Peter Browning Nationals were in Springfield, MO. Varsity girls placed second; varsity boys placed first, and junior high girls (13-14) placed first. Thank you to the coaches Nicole Bachman, Peter Browning (XC Athletic Director), and Curtis Tonne.

Volleyball/Debbie Sexton We had another great season of VB. We are thankful for Debbie Sexton being willing to be the Athletic Director for Volleyball. Thank you to coach Nathanael Berg for teaching the girls so much about volleyball this year and pushing them to be their best.

CHECK/Wayne McQuillan Kansas does not have a legal definition of homeschooling. HSLDA is working on one. Capitol day is February 1. Andrew Pudewa will be there for a presentation in the building across from the capital. More details are coming soon. It's important for home-school families to attend so the legislature can see us. We would also like for a student to serve as a leader to speak to the legislatures. TEEN PACT is also planning a lesson and testimonial. Students can help to represent homeschoolers by becoming Pages for their local legislature. CHECKs next meeting is November 14, 2023

Graduation/Gretchen Browning The SVHE 2024 Graduation is planned for Saturday, April 27 at 2:00 PM. It will be held at First Covenant Church. If anyone is interested in their student participating, they should get in touch with me at pgbrowning13@gmail.com or 913.219.7455

Website/Dan Peterson Continued improvements to signup forms. Still need to add new Sexual Abuse and Misconduct Prevention Policy.

Continued Business

Remove Vicky Donley and Heather Day from the basketball checking account and add John Donley and Nancy Romm to the basketball checking account.

Motion to Vote Jesse Smith

2nd Dan Peterson

Motion Passed

Motion to Close Meeting Kimmi Smith

2nd Regan Peterson

Motion Passed

Arlen Redden closed the meeting in prayer.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.