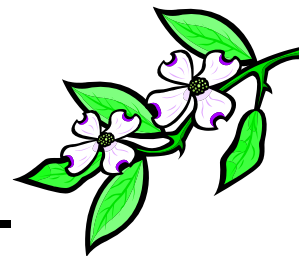


# Fairfield PTA Council

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## Minutes October 14, 2013

1. Call to Order – 7:37 pm
2. Roll Call – see attached
3. **Minutes** – 2 sets of minutes approved from June 10, 2013 as presented
4. **President's Report** – Lisa Havey – we had our leadership forum in September. Welcome Trish Donovan as VP Curriculum, Open standing committee positions are Education Budget, FAY, Dora Wheeler, Gifted & Talented and Green Team. Talked about Members in Good Standing Committee will be led by Jenn Buonincontri. Thank you to Ludlowe HS (Susan Brown and Jeanne Pacewicz) for hospitality.
5. **Superintendent's Report** – Karen Parks – update on Infinite Campus, school web-sites (working on getting staff trained,) some problems with internet carrier the past couple of weeks, assessment for the state is changing and trying to keep up, teacher/administrator accountability, CT applied for exception to the waiver of Title I criteria but had to agree to teacher evaluation plan. Talked about teacher goal-setting. Central office has district data team to give feedback to the schools. Questions asked about high school student testing and requirements by state and federal - discussed SBAC (Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium.) Lots of uncertainty in education right now – requirements keep changing.
6. **Treasurer's Report** – Jenn Buonincontri – presented proposed 2013-2014 budget. "Motion to approve budget as presented" by Susan Carbine. Motion carries. Presented treasurer's report from end of year.
7. **Delegates report** - Tomlinson had walk-a-thon that was a huge success. McKinley has trunk-a-treat on October 26<sup>th</sup> and World's Fair on Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>.
8. **Liaison to Selectman's Office** – Jay Wolk – Mike Tetreau asking everyone to get out and vote.
9. **Liaison to RTM** – Jay Wolk – approved Ludlowe building committee and has approved Riverfield project
10. **Programs** – Susan Carbine – new grant forms are on-line at [www.fairfieldptac.org](http://www.fairfieldptac.org)
11. **Membership** – Lisa Havey – make sure your school has reported membership numbers to Clare Coyne. Lisa presented awards from the CT State PTA for membership.
12. **Community Service Grants** – Jeanne Pacewicz – explained what the grant is and will posted on the web-site
13. **Awards** – Leonora – talked about Alis B. McGrath award, is posted on the web-site
14. **FAY** – Lisa Havey – thanked Jenn Buonincontri and Katherine Brown for her help in getting Alvin Ailey presentation at the Klein for 3-5 graders
15. **Health, Safety, Fitness** – Leann Ratner for Kelly Takacs, asked to have a point of contact for each school – working with local fitness centers to bring age appropriate free trial classes to each school.

### New Business

1. Meet the Candidates – Board of Education on October 15<sup>th</sup>
2. Kid's Vote – for election day, need to get parents out to vote. We can get a room near the polling location that would allow children to vote on a topic of interest. Lisa will be working on this with presidents to try to coordinate in time for the election
3. Adopt-a-Cop – talked with Gary McNamara to bring uniformed police officer during regular school hours to hang out with children (during
4. Fairfield's Birthday Celebration – will be doing massive food drive

## 5. CTPTSA looking for Reflections Chair

Guest Speaker – Christine Jewell, Director of Education and Community Programs for the Fairfield Museum and History Center. Talked about shared experiences with the FPS students, current exhibitions, and back to school night Wednesday, October 15. Ties to the curriculum – redoing k-5 social studies curriculum this year. Picnic on the green at the Memorial Day.

Motion to adjourn made by Janice Bouloubasis – meeting adjourned at 9:25.

Respectfully submitted,

Leann Ratner  
Recording Secretary