

**August 2018 Parent Meeting**  
**8/25/18, 6pm dessert and fellowship**  
*Valley Home School Association*

We met at Pioneer Park in Scottsbluff. There were 32 adults and 67 kids. We enjoyed desserts and fellowship from 6-7 p.m.. Then Becky Eichner opened in prayer. She introduced Larry McCaslin, he shared about MathCounts it is a national math competition for grades 6,7,8<sup>th</sup>, ages 11,12,13yrs. The cost is \$40 per team also \$10 per individual. Registration is on-line. There have been 7-8 teams from NE. The top 12 students go to Lincoln to compete. Competition starts in Feb., March, and May. We need a coach and a team to compete.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Checking account balance: \$3,606.41
- VOTE Budget item: \$974.00 for insurance premium and the Website dues are apx. \$608. Motion made by Natalie Spearman, and seconded by Laura to pay both of these bills. All in favor.
- \* Current dues are \$25 per family per year. We currently have 81 active families.

\*The 2018-2019 Core leadership for Valley Faith Coop are Jennifer Lerwick, Brandee Taffe, Nikea Hoksbergen, Thea Boerkircher, and Lacey Wiles: Support leadership are Brittney Todd (nursery), Nicole Anguiano (special events), Laura Leggot (building coordinator)

\* Natalie moved and Laura seconded, that we accept the following teachers under option 2: Jennifer Mascher, Thea Boerkircher, Darcy and Alan Gustafson, and Larissa Daugherty. Motion passed.

**Classes:**

- Mock Trial - Gina Campbell shared, she is interested in getting together 6-12 kids ages 13-16yrs. Cost \$30 for materials-need \$ by Nov. And sign-up on website. They would meet 2<sup>nd</sup> semester Tues. 2:30-3:30 to prepare for the mock trial.
- Wildcat Hills Nature Center, geared for all ages. Tuesdays -check website
- Nikea and Pat will be starting a book club in Morrill at the library. We are planning on Weds.2p.m. once a month T.B.A. on Facebook.

**Field Trips:** You can also see our events and sign up on our website or Facebook.

- Group wants to see the book club continue in the Scottsbluff/Gering area. Will need a leader and location.
- ESU Field trips are coordinated by Mindy Lively. Field trips are typically sorted by grade. ESU has resources available to VHSA members. Call first, they are very helpful. We passed around sign-up sheets for upcoming field trips. Contact Mindy for info.
  - Flowerfield has been scheduled for the next year, seeking a co-ordinator for this field trip. It will be Tuesday 10/16/18 for 20 students
  - \*\* Midwest Theater: We are seeking a coordinator as a contact with the Midwest Theater. There is at least one event per month starting in October.

### **Co-op:**

\*Sign-up for chores will be at Coop orientation.

- Dates :

- 2018: Sept 20, Oct 4 and 18, Nov 1, 15, and 29,
- 2019: Jan 17 and 31, Feb 14 and 28, March 14 and 28.
- Extra Co-op date in case of cancellations 4/11/19

### **Other:**

- Yearbook: field trip form available online [HERE](#). Please submit reports and photos for the yearbook team. The group also wants to order a yearbook for each year to be kept at the library.
- HSLDA-we are a member group, we have a discount if you are interested.
- Yearbook: price will be close to last year. Technical difficulties with publisher have pushed back the date. Please let us know if you are interested. Suggestions for next year: Family Photo pages. Photo day for families at the Christmas Party?

Natalie spoke on the VHSA library at the KCMI office in Scottsbluff.

Next parent meeting is 10/1 Prayer at 6, meeting at 6:30 at Monument Bible Church

We ended with introductions!!!!

These will be on the website. Please check the website, and LOG in! :) [www.valleyhomeschool.org](http://www.valleyhomeschool.org)