

Ridgeview Elementary School

PTO Minutes

Monday, September 10, 2019

Attendance: Katie Koors, Ginger Cates, Jaci Fitchpatrick, Amanda Juers, Kim Tobias, Melissa Mordy, Ashley Hays, Melissa Fraley, Emily Barnes, Tara Valentino, Jayvee Juanillo, Sue Symaco, Matt Jones, Mrs. Kestner, Mrs. Loser, Mollie Jolliff, Dhawal Dalsawya, Mrs. Collins, Cara Davis, Sandy Gallant Jones, Vaibhav Shah, Keren Shah, Mr. Jefferson

I. President Keren Shah called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

- A. Introduction of PTO Board Members
- B. Approval of April meeting minutes-Vote passed
- C. Approval of New slate
 - 1. Kim Tobias voted in as Staff Appreciation Chair
 - 2. Ashley Hays voted in as Website/Social Media Chair
 - 3. Matt Jones voted in as Vice President
 - 4. Katie Koors voted in as Secretary
 - 5. Social Chairs resigned their positions and voted to remove from slate

II. Principal's Report

- A. Introductions of staff members present, Mrs. Barnes the Assistant Principal and Student Services Director for the District; Mrs. Collins from 4th Grade; Mrs. Loser from 5th grade; Mrs. Kestner from Vocal Music
- B. New Roof being installed- 1-9pm daily
- C. New Chiller unit will be installed when temperatures drop to allow for a comfortable lack of AC for several days
- D. Building leadership team will meet to consider requests for the year and get back to us; the outdoor classroom could use further investment
- E. School Goals this year revolve around creating passionate readers, mathematics, well rounded social/emotional learners and promoting a well rounded fine arts program
 - 1. Mrs. Kestner presented a request for a set of classroom instruments for the vocal music program with removable plates. A full set would cost \$9600; Even a half dozen instruments would be greatly helpful and cost closer to \$2000. Further discussion to ensue at future meetings.

III. Treasurer Report

- A. Fundraising goal set at \$14,500-primary source is the Fox Fun Run
- B. Expenses expected to run around \$28,900 which included the upgrades to the playground that occurred this past summer.
- C. Vote to approve changes to the budget as distributed were approved
- D. Review of forms
 - 1. Tax exempt form is on the website-cannot reimburse tax
 - 2. Completed forms may be submitted via the PTO mailbox
 - 3. Reimbursement will get to you in 1-2 weeks.
- E. Vote to donate 100\$ Amazon Gift Card to Dunlap Gives Back program approved, will come from PTO Operational Expenses.

IV. Committee Reports

- A. Box Tops/Store Rewards-Tara Valentino
 - 1. Boxtops is now an app, please download it and scan receipts within 14 days of purchase.
 - 2. Cut out boxtops are still accepted
 - 3. Other stores also donate proceeds to RES if you sign up you Kroger card (go online to link it), Shutterfly, Amazon Smiles (Search Ridgeview Elementary PTO) More info to come.
- B. Social Events-Keren Shah
 - 1. Position open, please contact Keren if interested in volunteering
 - 2. Trunk or Treat will be held Saturday October 19, time TBA
 - 3. Pumpkin Decorating Contest, October 16-22, more details TBA
 - 4. Movie Night, Friday January 24th, more details TBA
 - 5. International Fair, Tuesday April 7th, more details TBA
- C. Dine-outs-Melissa Fraley
 - 1. Double A's dineout elicited \$11,000 in sales, we got 10%, so \$110
 - 2. Future dineout locations suggested, possible Portillos in November
- D. Library- Mollie Jolliff
 - 1. New Library Aide started Monday, students will have library next week
 - 2. Library will continue to be Thursday/Friday and currently they have enough volunteers
 - 3. Book fair will be held in the spring
- E. Grants/Sponsorships-Keren Shah for Phoebe Maholevich
 - 1. Working on finding grants for improved shade for the outdoor classroom and possibly playground

2. Looking for sponsors for a school T-shirt for all students
- F. Website/Social Media-Ashley Hays
1. Looking at obtaining an official domain name
 2. Can link sign up genius to website, cannot manage money through website at this time
 3. Please ensure you are using the new website linked under “Parents Club” on RES website, it takes you to correct site with the correct forms.
 4. She will also be managing the Facebook page as well
- G. Popcorn-Cara Davis
1. First popcorn and spirit day went well
 2. Plenty of volunteers at this time-thank you!
- H. Spiritwear- Sandy Gallant Jones
1. A new vendor Complete Image Apparel used this year
 2. 392% increase in sales this year! 229 units sold, final numbers in October
 3. Delivery could be as soon as this week
 4. Holiday Sale anticipated November 1-15, again online
 5. Discussion of a possible spring sale, music shirts, and 5th grade shirts
- I. Staff Appreciation-Kim Tobias
1. Instituting a teacher cart to show them appreciation throughout the year
 2. Back to School Survival Kit to go to teachers this week
 3. SIP lunch will be September 20; watch for sign up genius to go out
- J. Room Parent Coordinator- Keren Shah for Lecia Wardle
1. Additional volunteers needed for several classes
 2. All volunteers need to complete background check-link on website
- K. Fall Fundraiser/Fox Fun Run-Ginger Cates
1. “Glow” themed this year! Spirit week will accompany the run
 2. No “per lap” donation this year, just flat donation
 3. Joey Holland has agreed to Emcee the event again this year
 4. Decreased volunteer need anticipated this year since not counting laps
- L. School Kits-Matt Jones for Colleen Lal
1. New vendor chosen this year with more competitive pricing, improved customer service and great reviews

2. Teachers raised concerns over quality, we have a sample box coming and hope to have it at the next meeting.

V. Old Business

VI. New Business

A. Please email Keren Shah if you are interested in joining a Strategic Planning Committee to help formulate a vision/plan to help focus future PTO spending

VII. Adjourned 7:23pm