



**Riveredge School PTO**  
**February 8, 2021 General Meeting Minutes**

**Date, Time, and Location:** Monday, February 8, 2021, at 6 p.m. via Google Meet.

**Attendance:** Sarah Neumann, Mike Mullen, Greta Malek, Amy Pollard, Laura Wollersheim, Chrissy Knoske, Sarah Fortney, Pete Christy, Lindsey Lew, Sara Christy, Vanessa Goll, Darren Baalke, Tricia Gruber, and Kat Chronis

- I. Greetings – 6:00pm – Amy Pollard**
- II. Treasurer’s report - Sarah Fortney - 6:02pm**
  - a. Requesting stamp for PTO treasurer for checks (deposits): about \$12
  - b. Just deposited Pretzel money. Will pay pretzel invoice at delivery Wednesday. Will update with total in bank account at next meeting.
- III. Fundraising Committee - Sarah Neumann/Greta Malek - 6:07pm**
  - a. Pretzel Sales: Earned \$3,172.50 – Thank You!
    - i. Delivery Wednesday
  - b. Stickers/Clings/New Shirts/Tote Bags
    - i. Signed up for Cheddar up, so Sarah N and Sarah F will be meeting to set up online store for stickers and clings.
    - ii. Stickers will be \$1.50, Clings with be \$3.00
    - iii. Sale will start mid to late March
  - c. Restaurant Fundraiser Idea
    - i. Firehouse Subs in Grafton and West Bend on same date and time (probably 4-7pm). Will receive 15% of sales if mention our school. Thinking of having this fundraiser in the summer to save for a fall welcome picnic or event.
- IV. Volunteer Opportunities - Laura Wollersheim – 6:09pm**
  - a. Volunteers for drop off have been amazing. Thank you to all!
  - b. Will need help building chalkboard kiosks and kiln building (these will open up many opportunities for teachers and students including art enrichment): Don’t need to be skilled, just willing.
  - c. These will be coming in the future, will update.
  - d. Please contact Laura (Lcibeach3@gmail.com) if you have any interest in helping.
- V. PTO Paperwork – Amy Pollard – 6:10pm**
  - a. Need to review the bylaws. Update positions (add volunteer coordinators), wording, and general review.
  - b. Would like 3 non officers to participate in reviews bylaws. Amy and two officers will already be reviewing but would like fresh views.
  - c. Lindsey Lewis and Vanessa Goll volunteered to help. Please contact Amy Pollard (Amy.A.Pollard@gmail.com) if you would like to participate as well.
  - d. Will decide on date to review among these participants in the future after all have had a chance to review.
  - e. New Officers:
    - i. Can be in same position for up to 3 years, however positions are open to all.
    - ii. Will start nominations in March. There are 6 positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Communications Secretary, Recording Secretary, and Volunteer Coordinator. Will vote in April
    - iii. Also committees are always looking for people to join on!

**VI. School Updates - Mike Mullen - 6:16pm**

- a. Enrollments:
  - i. Lots of applications in. Further updates will be stated at governance council meetings
- b. Calendar:
  - i. Teaching and learning committee is working on this. Will be following NOSD holiday schedule. Surveys are due tomorrow (Tuesday, 2/9) regarding virtual Fridays next school year. All data will go to governance council and they will check with DPI and NOSD to verify choice will align with state statutes as well
- c. Governance Council:
  - i. There is a new executive committee that is helping lead the school. Budget that is being planned now. Looking for another member for the finance team and marketing team. Please reach out if you can help in any way.
- d. Founders Sticker:
  - i. Fun idea to identify the families who have been here since the beginning.
- e. Donors Choose:
  - i. If anyone has experience here, it would be great for someone to set up for teachers, so they don't have added work. Please reach out if willing.
- f. Kiosk and 5th grade classroom:
  - i. 5th Graders have created great designs for both and have shared many ideas.
- g. Frog Mascot Name:
  - i. Checking on 5th graders for names. Then survey to families for ALL kids to decide final name.
- h. Greenhouse:
  - i. Jessica Jens and Mike are talking about greenhouse on RNC and hopefully even aquaponics. Could create products that allow kids to have project based learning and even sell and learn business practices.

**VII. New Business - Open Floor – 6:45pm**

- a. Fundraiser Idea: Chrissy
  - i. Jackson does Monte Carlo Night fundraiser. They hire traveling poker players, blackjack, etc. They do raffles and tickets.
- b. Health Class: Chrissy
  - i. 4th/5th Graders start talking about puberty. Should have an emergency feminine products. Mike will contact Cindy and Amanda for guidance on system to be prepared.
- c. Greenhouse: Tricia
  - i. We use the greenhouse as a form of education for nutritional health. Could be very educational in learning where food comes from, etc.

**VIII. Next Meeting**

- a. Monday, March 8, 2021 at 6:00pm - virtual

**Meeting Adjourned** at 6:53pm.

Minutes compiled by Sarah Neumann