

The Riveredge School PTO October 11, 2021 General Meeting Minutes

Date, Time, and Location: Monday, October 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. via google meet.

Attendance: Ami Rosengren, Sarah Neumann, Greta Malek, Brittnie Dohl, Chrissy Knoske, Jessica Koepsell, Cindy Raimer, Anna Suhr, Elizabeth Clark, Lindsey Lew, and Mike Mullen

- I. Greetings Greta Malek 6:00 pm
- II. September Meeting Minutes Approval Sarah Neumann and Chrissy Knoske 6:05 pm
- III. Treasurer's overview Greta Malek 6:07 pm
 - a) Current funds: \$7294.88
 - b) Still outstanding checks to be reimbursed
 - c) Taxes are filed
 - d) Remaining budgets for committees are being tallied and will be sent to committee chairs when available
 - e) Treasurer position still available. Please reach out if willing to step up. We would really appreciate it!

IV. Fundraising Committee - Sarah Neumann/Greta Malek - 6:11 pm

- a) Square 1 Art: Collecting artwork currently. When all are collected they will be sent to Square 1 Art and we will receive links and paper flyer.
- b) Gear: Orders placed. Awaiting invoice and totals confirmation. Will keep people updated with delivery.
- c) Upcoming:
 - i) Firehouse Subs and Pretzels
 - ii) Idea for warm pretzels at Frothy Forage in early May, however may be against contract to fundraise at RNC fundraising event. Will have to contact RNC first.

V. Staff Appreciation - Brittnie Dohl/Ami Rosengren - 6:19 pm

- a) "Teacher Day" goodie bag: Made fall snacks.
- b) Upcoming: Conferences in November. Will bring teachers meals. First night Qdoba if in person (staff is meeting tomorrow (10/11) night to find out if in person or virtual). Second day Costco sandwich platter, chips, and cookie possibly.
- c) Cindy stated: Teachers have dietary restrictions: The committee will send out survey to find out restrictions of all.

VI. Community Enrichment - Jessica Koepsell/Chrissy Knoske - 6:24 pm

- Status of Fall Festival: Planning currently. Vanessa Goll joined the community enrichment. If anyone else wants to meet after drop off on Wednesday to discuss more info on the Fall Festival.
- b) Volunteers:
 - i) Need more volunteers for staining, sanding.
 - ii) Will need volunteers for fall festival. More information to come.
 - iii) Could use a sub/on call volunteer for drop off (in case of some people calling in sick, etc.)

VII. Principal Report - Mike Mullen - 6:32pm

- a) NOSD did tour with Mike
- b) MAP testing starts this week. Will be three times this year. Used as tool to help teachers guide instruction. No need to prep besides good night sleep.
- c) All School picture this week. No need to prepare.

- d) Art: Mike met with Lynn for an expert to help integrate art into the curriculum. Lynn is retired, but is resident artist for RNC, logos etc.
- e) Clothing: Make sure all kids have rain gear and extra set of clothing each day.
- f) Sister School: Just outside Arctic Circle in Canada (intuit village). 4th and 5th grade will write letters, scan, and send. Also plan to set up zoom meetings. Hope to do something similar in Costa Rica when Sunny is settled.
- g) Classroom Libraries: Continue to build
- h) Fundraising/Community Event: RNC has some great events. Would be great to have a reoccurring event at The Riveredge School to help bring in community. Will just have to make sure we talk to RNC about who we should not address for fundraising.

VIII. Open Floor - all - 6:43 pm

- a) Cindy thanked PTO for Girl Scout troop money donated for donors choose.
- b) Ami reached out to Sunburst about snowboard and ski club this year. Will be 4 Fridays in January from 12:00pm-4:00pm. Once solidified Ami will make a flyer and more information will be distributed.
- c) Cindy: Should start a golf club. Last year Ami reached out to Hawthorne Hills, but no driving range. If someone else wants to take on finding golf club.

IX. Next Meeting:

a) Monday, November 08th, 2021, 6:00 pm - virtual until further notice

Meeting Adjourned at 6:54 pm.

Minutes compiled by Sarah Neumann