

# The Riveredge School PTO September 12, 2022 General Meeting Minutes

Date, Time, and Location: Monday, September 12, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. via google meet.

**Attendance:** Greta, Vanessa, Cindy, Brynn Stadler, Jessica Koepsell, Anna Angell, Ami Rosengren, Brittnie Dohl, Tricia Gruber, Mindy Schroeder, Sarah Fortney, Nicole Melcher, and Andrea Rainka

- I. Greetings Greta Malek 6:30 pm
- II. Welcome New Members/Introductions 6:35 pm
- III. Treasurer's overview Vanessa Goll 6:45 pm
  - a) Current Funds B. Info about QR code / cheddar up
    - i) \$8334.87 Current. \$7,000 available funds due to need to keep \$1,000 in account
    - ii) Roughly \$2,000 not budgeted, but are items that will need to be part of the budget ("wish" items on the list)
    - iii) QR code available to donate to PTO: Located on facebook and ROLES PTO website, and are finding a way to add to a website, Class Dojo, or some other platform

## IV. Fundraising Committee - Sarah Neumann/Greta Malek - 6:55 pm

- a) Planned Fundraisers
  - i) Gear/Stickers/Cling (September)
    - (1) Currently pricing out companies and options. Hoping to have sale up and going end of September with online store.
  - ii) Square 1 Art (October/November)
    - (1) Teachers in K, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd have ideas. Courtney Baalke and another parent has volunteered to help set up ideas for 4th and 5th grade.
  - iii) Pretzel (and dip) (January)
    - (1) Starla's Dips
  - iv) Gear Sale (March)
    - (1) Seroogy (and coffee) (April)
      - (a) Stone Creek (Jess's friend): Mindy Schroeder volunteered to help
  - v) Flowers (CANCELLING)
    - (1) Nature Center asking to do at a different time or different way because we sold at the same time last year and it was non-native. So, we will cancel the flower fundraiser.
  - vi) One-day fundraisers, e.g. Firehouse subs, Beanies Port Washington, Wayne's Drive In Cedarburg, Culver's
  - vii) Another idea from Brynn Stadler: Adult only fundraising event Trivia, etc. We could do a sign up/interest survey and see if there's interest for it. Brynn will look into.

# V. Staff Appreciation - Brittnie Dohl/Ami Rosengren - 7:09 pm

- a) Planned events/activities
- b) Monthly treats for the staff
- c) Staff appreciation week
  - i) Brynn Stadler wanted to help
- d) Will be sending out an updated staff favorites spreadsheet
- e) Amazon wishlist or scholastic list idea for teachers
- f) Amazon Smile: The school has an account (Will need to link with QR Code as listed above)

#### VI. V. Community Enrichment - Jessica Koepsell/Amy Pollard/Vanessa Goll -7:21 pm

- a) Meet: Wednesdays after drop off they have an informal meeting in Octagon RNC
- b) Planned events/activities

- i) Fall Festival (Trunk and Treat)
  - (1) Proposal sent to Cindy and RNC: Friday 10/28 at 6
  - (2) Theme is book, have a PTO table
  - (3) Give tickets as you enter. Lantern path to guide the way to the book sale (in barn)
  - (4) Photo Op location with snacks
  - (5) Bonfire (Cindy will check and make sure we can use that without it counting as another rental day since we are limited in number of rental days)
  - (6) Will ask liaison officer to join again
- ii) Book fair (Vanessa Goll)
  - (1) Teachers have to create a wishlist and will have in person wishlist (baskets for each teacher with desired books)
  - (2) Kick off in barn with trunk or treat: Friday 10/28
  - (3) Would like to have it open the following Monday thru Thursday 8:30-4:30 if we can find enough volunteers
  - (4) Will be able to take cash, check, or credit card
  - (5) In order to have in person fair we need to hit \$1400 in sales
  - (6) Hope to advertise a lot, communicate out to RNC homeschool community, etc
  - (7) 25% back from sales that goes to scholastic dollars for teachers to order
- iii) Winterfest
  - (1) Raffle Baskets possibly
- iv) Field day/Last Day of School
- v) PTO School calendar
  - (1) Working on getting a calendar with events, fundraiser, etc
- vi) Friday Clubs Amy Pollard (Greta Malek reports, Amy Pollard not in attendance) 7:20 pm
  - (1) First Friday meetup with be Friday, 9/30. Planning a trip to an apple orchard. More info to come.

## VII. Administrator update - Cindy - 7:38 pm

- a) Met with Linden Sculpture Garden who toured the land and thought of lots of ideas. Will come back Friday and meet with first three grade levels to get idea of curriculum. October 2nd they will see 3-5 grade and get ideas.
- b) This year is the last year the school has a grant, so next year budget will be tight. Cindy hopes the PTO can help and make part of the budget to support the art project supplies.

#### VIII. Open Floor - All - 7:50 pm

### IX. Next Meeting:

a) Monday, October 10, 2022, 6:30 pm - virtual

**Meeting Adjourned** at 7:59 pm. Call by Greta Malek, Seconded and Third by Vanessa Goll and Brittnie Dohl

Minutes compiled by Sarah Neumann

\*\*IMPORTANT NOTE: ALL committees and officers voiced several times throughout the meeting — Please reach out if you are interested in joining any committees, heading up a Friday Club, volunteering with patchwork (random volunteer needs), have ideas, or for anything at all! We absolutely would love for more families to join the team or just to hear new ideas for the PTO in any capacity. Thank you, thank you to all of you wonderful people who help is various needs! We appreciate you all! Please email: <a href="mailto:roles.pto@gmail.com">roles.pto@gmail.com</a>. \*\*