

Rohrerstown Elementary PTO

Meeting Agenda

Monday, March 19, 2017

I. Welcome and Greeting:

Nicole Fickes welcomed everyone, and called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm.

II. President's Report:

Nicole updated the group by sharing the following:

1. Changes to By-Laws

Nicole read aloud all suggested revisions that have been made over the past several weeks to the by-laws, including the need to post when all committee meetings will be taking place. This will be done via the RES PTO Facebook page. A four board member vote took place to approve the suggested changes to the by-laws. Motion to approve was passed.

2. 2018-2019 PTO Officers and Homeroom Coordinator

A flyer will go out this week announcing open positions for next year. Those positions include: Vice President, Secretary, and Assistant Treasurer. All who are interested are asked to let the PTO know via the RES PTO email respto@outlook.com, and attend the April 23rd PTO meeting. Nicole shared that we may need to redefine the role of the Ways and Means chair. There are not enough volunteers to fill all open positions so this position may need to get cut and tasks reallocated.

3. Paint Night

My. Plymier would like to do a parent/child paint event. Dawn Ruppert will be in touch with him to plan this for next school year.

4. Teacher involvement with PTO events

Nicole posed the question to Mrs. Cenekofsky, asking what teachers want from the PTO and how we can get them more involved. Mrs. Cenekofsky suggested that the teachers be made aware of event dates in advance, perhaps via a sign up genius. Mrs. Wilson suggested a card stock year-at-a-glance calendar highlighting all of the PTO events. This could be for parents and teachers/staff.

5. VIP Dance

The first VIP Dance was a success. There were about 250 adults and children in attendance. Students seemed to have a good time, and the PTO raised about \$800.

One suggestion for next time is to have less food because what we had did not get eaten.

6. BINGO Night

Bingo night was a success, in spite of a mere 25% of total expected in attendance. There were 56 adults and 26 children there. The PTO profited \$1300. There were kids' activities in the gym, board games and a movie in LGI, and they were served dinner in the front lobby. Anchor club students monitored the children along with two RES parents. A suggestion was made to hold the next bingo event during the fall when there are fewer activities going on, and to do a less specific theme to entice a larger audience.

7. Fun Fest

Jen Eshleman shared that the committee is doing a good deal of leg work right now. There is a lot that will need to get done over the next few weeks, with a goal to really increase the excitement around the blacktop games.

8. Sub Sale

Flyers will be going home on April 6th to announce the Sub Sale that will last from the 9th through the 20th. Subs will cost \$6 each. Coupons will be distributed to be redeemed for subs. The coupons will go into teachers' mailboxes for each child to bring home.

Nicole also updated the group on the shoe drive, noting that to date we have 25 bags (with 25 pairs of shoes in each). We are not on target to reach our goal of 100 bags, but something is better than nothing. We will continue to collect shoes through March.

III. Secretary's Report

PSSA Snacks will be distributed again this year for grades 3-6. Heather Rotella will follow up with Terri Briskie to determine what the needs are.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Sunil Mathew was not in attendance so Nicole updated the group with a budget update.

V. Teacher's Report

JoAnn Cenekofsky shared a teacher request for iPad storage carts in second grade, as well as a need for headphones and wireless keyboards. Dawn Ruppert suggested we find a good headphone brand and buy them in bulk to be sold at Back to School Night.

VI. Principal's Report

Kathy Swantner was not in attendance.

VII. Ways & Means

Heather Petrusek was not in attendance.

VIII. Q.U.I.C.K (Questions, Information, Comments, and Knowledge)

Heather Conlon-Keller presented the first buddy bench that is ready to be put on school grounds. The total cost of the bench with plaque was \$271.

Heather and Sunil have also priced hexagon-shaped picnic tables with attached benches for the school grounds. Prices have ranged from \$800 per unit to \$1600. She found a company in Florida who will ship 5 tables (2 that are ADA compliant for \$600 each) for \$3300 total. If approved via vote, the tables would be here in time for Fun Fest. Nicole suggested we move forward with this purchase. A motion to approve was passed. Heather Conlon-Keller will call to order the tables with plaques indicating the year the PTO purchased them.

With no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Attendees: Holly Landis, Sandi Provost, Dawn Ruppert, Mindy Paglia, Katie Zellers, Heather Conlon-Keller, Nicole Fickes, Jen Eshleman, Heather Rotella, Carrie Wilson, JoAnn Cenekofsky

Next Meeting: Monday, April 23rd at 6:30 pm