

**Mary Rieke Elementary
General PTA Business Meeting
March 10, 2016; 6:42 – 7:25 pm**

- I. Call to Order:** The Rieke PTA General meeting was called to order at Rieke Elementary at 6:42 PM, 3/10/16 by President Holly Ingram. Notice was given to all PTA members via an email of the Rieke Rapper. A quorum of seven (7) voting members as stated in the standing rules was met. Sixty-seven people were in attendance.
- II. Approve Minutes – MOTION** to approve minutes from the December 3rd, general meeting was introduced, seconded, and approved unanimously.
- III. Principal's Report**
 - Debi Bradway introduced herself and told the group that Principal Torres has requested and has been approved for leave until April 4th. In the interim, Principal duties will be covered by PPS staff Alison Couch and Debi Bradway. They have been in the building for the past two months and will continue to be at Rieke until the end of the school year. Debi will be the acting principal for the next week and then gone for a month on vacation. Alison returns from her travels next week and will then assume Principal duties until Principal Torres return on 4/4. After that, Alison and Debi will act in an advisory role to Principal Torres. Debi stated that PPS Human Resources Department will be sending a letter to Rieke parents to discuss the recent events and the transition plan. There was concern in the group about the lack of senior PPS leadership at this meeting to discuss this with the PTA, concerns about principal continuity, and questions related to how to best communicate with Debi and Alison. When asked what expectations parents should have of Debi and Alison, Debi responded that they are here to help but actual expectations are unclear at this point. PPS staff echoed this sentiment and said there are a lot of moving parts and asked that parents trust them as we all work through this together.
 - Debi stated that she has to make staffing decisions now and that they are due on Tuesday. She wished to discuss how to allocate the 1.0 FTE from the Art Tax. Meeting attendees were asked to vote on recommendations. Options (with votes) included dance (48), visual arts (28), theater (14), and music (12). Therefore, meeting attendees recommended that Debi prioritize dance and visual arts in future staffing.
- IV. Reports of Officers --** Treasurer Justin Norman handed out an Income Statement that is current to February.
- V. Committee Reports -** None
- VI. Old Business**
 - PPS Boundary change – Holly thanked the Rieke PTA boundary-change subcommittee members. There was a brief discussion about the current draft scenario. The current scenario indicates that Rieke families west of Dosch and north of Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway could be sent to Hayhurst. There is a PPS boundary-change meeting at Robert Gray Middle School next week.
 - Rieke PTA Auction – There will be an email to families next week with information and a link for ticket sales.
- VII. New Business:**
 - Nomination committee – A nomination committee is required by Oregon PTA Bylaws for the upcoming May election of Rieke PTA officers. Amy Hiestand, Amy Frewing, Nellie McCarthy, and Sophia Costa have volunteered to serve on that committee. **MOTION** to approve the four individuals as the nomination committee was introduced, seconded, and approved unanimously.
- VIII. Announcements for upcoming Events**
 - Rieke Auction - April 16, 2016 6pm Tickets \$50 onsale at <http://www.riekepta.org>
 - Art Fair - May 1, 2016 10am - 2pm
 - Rieke PTA Rummage Sale - June 2016
 - PTA Community Dinner - May 26, 2016 6:30 pm

Adjournment: President Holly Ingram moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 PM. After the meeting adjourned, there was a special presentation on the Rieke Field replacement project. Further details can be found at <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/69497>