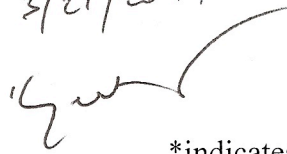


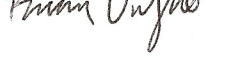
Mary Rieke PTA
General PTA Business Meeting
2/21/2017 6:55pm

3/21/2017



Board Members in attendance:

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*Co-President Brian Unflat 
*Co-President Holly Ingram
*Co-Vice President Paul Higgins
*Treasurer Mike Kale
*Secretary Kes Wold
*Fundraising Coordinator Melissa Light
Co-Events Coordinator Kimberly Allen
Co-Events Coordinator Joelle Allen
Membership Coordinator Christine Surratt
Volunteer Coordinator Adrienne Hays
Imagine Campaign Chair and Playground Committee Chair Jim Meurer

PTA Members/Public:

See Appendix 1 for attendance

1. Call to Order

The Rieke PTA General Business Meeting was called to order at Rieke Elementary at 6:40pm, February 21, 2017 by President Brian Unflat. Notice was given to all PTA members via email. Secretary Kes Wold confirmed that a quorum of members as stated in the standing rules (7 voting members) was present.

There was no January 2017 meeting due to the winter storm that shut down all PPS activity.

2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the previous PTA General Business meeting (October 18, 2016) have been made available on the riekepta.org Web site. There were no corrections made and the minutes are considered approved.

3. Program

Teacher Eric Swehle gave a lengthy talk on the topic of diversity.

A 4th grader (Katie) and 5th grader (Owen) shared their personal experience regarding the

reading buddies program, where kids from older grades spend time once a month with younger kids, and get to know them, read with them, play outside, and do arts and crafts.

Allison Pyrch – Associate Geotechnical Engineer from Hart Crowser, Inc. discussed resiliency planning and what, as a school and community we can do to prepare for a large subduction zone earthquake.

Recommended preparing your house and car for a long event where you will need to be self-sufficient and services/lifelines will be unavailable, perhaps for weeks or months.

Rieke is planning on purchasing an external shed using previous RAT race funds, to be used to store emergency supplies.

4. Reports

Fundraising Coordinator Melissa Light provided an update on fundraising activity to date.

Auction

Theme is “Where Their Future Begins” 2017 auction update. Our largest fundraiser. Saturday 3/11 at the MJCC. Childcare available @ Rieke until 10:30pm. 5:45pm until 10pm.

53 individual tickets sold and 8 tables (representing 80 tickets) – 8 teachers attending. Goal is 200 tickets, and we have 155 now. Additional donations for the teacher tickets are needed (about halfway funded.)

Need additional bottles of wine to be donated. The value should be \$15 or above.

Classroom art projects will be raffled this year, instead of auctioned. Tickets are \$30. The art will be displayed after 3/1 in the hallway by the library. Can purchase tickets in front of the office.

Dine out for dollars

Salvador Molly’s raised \$355, and Pizzicato raised \$505. Upcoming ones are

2/27 Chez Jose

3/14 Baja Fresh (Barbur location)

4/18 McMenamins (looking to reschedule because it conflicts with our PTA meeting that month)

5/23 Pizzicato (Dough for Dollars)

Backpack program

Getting low on a number of items. Need pancake mix, peanut butter, canned tuna or chicken, chili, hamburger helper, canned beans, and snacks (bars, rolled fruit, chips, etc.)
Not needed: pasta

Service club

Going to the Gung Ho Ministries sometime in March, looking to collect items for kits (clothing, furniture, socks)

Principal's Report

Principal Sarah Lewins provided an update on staffing for the next year.

PPS is expecting a \$25 million budget cut for next year. Rieke is expecting to remain as-is with 17 teachers. But no gains.

5. Playground Committee Update

In October the PTA updated their budget, to allocate up to \$7,000 in spending for playground fundraising items, such as t-shirts, and to seed an account with \$25,000 to help attract external grants.

Work has been done since by the Playground Committee, chaired by Jim Meuer. There are 12 members (10 parents, 2 staff) formed into 3 sub-groups: vendor selection/construction, fundraising/grants, and design.

2 conceptual drawings shown during the meeting (posterboard) collecting input from community on those and a variety of play equipment.

Final concept presented to the PTA Board on 3/7. Presented to General PTA on 3/21, where it will be voted on for approval.

Fundraising update so far (insert \$ from photo of slide)

Target fundraising goal is \$125,000 with a build date of August 2017. We are close to \$108K there already. Noted company matches (Nike, Apple, Intel, Standard)

Rieke Spirit wear

Bringing back apparel items as a fundraiser. 2 volunteers needed.

6. Membership Report

Membership Coordinator Christine Surratt was unavailable today. Attendees were invited to sign in, or if not PTA members to take an envelope in order to join.

Brian Unflat provided an update on Christine's behalf. We have 144 total member so far this year, exceeding the total number we had last year (143) – we would like to end at 160 (with 200 as a stretch goal.)

7. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Mike Kale provided an update on current PTA finances. Printed budget reports were available at the meeting as handouts.

8. Correspondence

[None]

7. Unfinished Business

[None]

8. New Business

a) Science Fair

Taking place this Thursday 2/23, 5:45pm to 8pm.

b) eSCRIP

We have collected funds from a previous SCRIP program (about \$2,000) but are not doing SCRIP this year. There is a way for us to raise funds, however, using eSCRIP (shopping.escrip.com) – look for an email in the coming weeks.

c) Run for Rieke (volunteers needed)

Formerly a school event raising funds for arts, this upcoming year it would be a PTA event. Vote in October changed the name from the RAT race to the Run for Rieke, and the PTA budget was updated so that race proceeds for 2016-17 are allocated to benefit the Rieke Playground Fund.

Scheduled for 4/10 (right after spring break) but sponsorship forms will be sent out prior to break.

d) Movie night

The movie Trolls will be playing this Friday. \$10 suggested donation per family. RSVP to Paul Higgins, as this event is limited to the first 50 people.

9. Announcements

[None]

The meeting was adjourned at 8:31pm.

Appendix 1:

Attendance sign-in sheet, records kept in PTA files