



## ROBIOUS MIDDLE SCHOOL PTA MINUTES

February 19, 2019

### Call to Order

Attendance: Heather Craven, Dr. Wasnock, Kathryn Haines, Karen Zegarra, Karyn Jackson, Steffanie Washo, Jennie Raugh

### Reports

- Administration – Derek Wasnock: Thanks for the Valentine snacks! Student led conferences (7<sup>th</sup> grade) were very successful with lots of positive feedback. MAP testing is done for the fall/winter and EL access testing has begun. Discussions with staff are taking place to consider changes to the current roundtable set up- a survey has been sent to teachers and some small changes might be happening this year with bigger changes coming next year. Rising 6<sup>th</sup> grader from feeder pattern schools will be here for elective demonstrations on Thurs., 2/21.
- Teacher/Staff Report –
- President – Heather Craven
  - **Nominating Committee – NEED 3 people** to serve to find slate of officers for 2019-20 school year. Open positions (President, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, 3<sup>rd</sup> VP & Secretary) (1<sup>st</sup> VP?)
  - Registration for CCCPTA Annual Dinner – Monday April 15<sup>th</sup> 6-8pm – Career & Tech Center on Hull – RMS PTA will pay registration – Early Bird registration ends March 1
  - Volunteer sheet for Rising 6<sup>th</sup> grade night this Thursday
- 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Steffanie Washo
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Karen Zegarra
- Communications –Lazira Rife
- Treasurer – Ruth Garrett
  - Checking account balance \$18,391.11
  - Budget to Actual review
- Secretary – Jennie Raugh
  - Approval of January meeting minutes

### School Programs:

- Diversity/Inclusion – Sara Berger/TJ Ellis
  - Meeting Dates – 2/28, 5/30 – 6pm each night: teachers meeting happening On 2/20
- Library/ Reading Program – OPEN
- REBO –
- Raider Closet – Karen Zegarra: In order to gain some community service hours, an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student helped organize the closet and raised \$1,900.00 and some additional gift cards for the closet!
- Special Ed Liaisons – Laura Finch – no additional meetings for the school year – utilizing a closed Facebook group to communicate with parents needing help navigating IEP/504 waters
- Welcome Desk – Jenny Olowiany
  - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4baeae2e5-rmshelp>
  - Not many people are volunteering this year: Is the time school start time change possibly a factor?

## PTA Programs:

- Box Tops –Gena Reeder – next submission 3/1
- County Council – Kathryn Haines
  - Recap of February 5<sup>th</sup> meeting – Hot Topics in Chesterfield: The County Council is emphasizing a program aimed at encouraging parents and educators to talk to kids about the dangers of underage drinking. Does RMS want to consider bringing a program here? Also, the Chesterfield County Board of Supervisors offered a low amount of money for CCPS schools, leaving many areas of the budget unfilled. Parents and teachers are HIGHLY encouraged to contact county officials and demand better funding for school counselors, school nurses, etc!!
  - Next meeting March 11@ CCPS Technical Center on Hull St.
- Landscaping – Steffanie Washo: The pots outside the front doors have been updated.
- Membership – Charleen Huguet: There are 545 current paid members.
- Spiritwear – Kim Selvey
  - Need help with rising 6<sup>th</sup> grade night – set-up, and two sessions 5:45pm & 7pm
- Teacher Appreciation – Alison MacPhail
  - Yogurt bar was a big hit with the staff. All items on the sign-up genius were sent in.
  - Next event will be Teacher Appreciation Week in May: Dr. wasnick has asked that the PTA provide 2 meals for teachers during the week.
- Student Programs –
  - PTA provided gift cards for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade winter scavenger hunt that was organized by 6<sup>th</sup> grade SCA leaders. Dr. Wasnock also requests 10 additional gift cards for teacher/employee of the month program.
- Reflections – OPEN – need to find someone to start promoting 2019 program for end of school year and summer
- RSVP – Joan Nelson
  - Next submission is 3/28
- Student Appreciation – Katherine Phillips
  - Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup> - “Sports Team Spirit Day” Students and staff, get ready to represent your favorite college, pro sports team, or our very own Robious Raiders. On “Sports Team Spirit Day”, come dressed in your sports apparel and accessories to cheer on your favorite team! \*RMS dress code applies.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration – **OPEN** : The same group as below will also handle these details, and they will be meeting on Feb. 21.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance – Mandy Richards, Jessica Lurey, Lisa Garnett, Vickie Welsh, Lariza Rife, Shanon Deyerle
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Math classes have been presenting to their teachers – presentation to PTA committee will be towards the end of the month.
  - Committee will be meeting Thursday February 21<sup>st</sup> at 1pm to divvy up tasks

Next meeting is Monday March 18, 7pm in Library

Adjourned at 7:40

Additional Meeting Dates:

Tuesday February 19

Monday March 18

Monday April 15- virtual meeting?

Monday May 20

Monday June 10 (fun social gathering)