



ROBIOUS MIDDLE SCHOOL PTA MINUTES

March 18, 2019

Call to Order

Attendance: Alison McPhail, Karyn Jackson, Derek Wasnock, Heather Craven, Steffanie Washo, Charleen Huguet

Reports

- Administration – Derek Wasnock: Dr. W reported the death of Mrs. Hamilton, who was the faculty member heading up the Trex collection at RMS. Since her death, 1,061 pound of plastic has been donated in her name! The 2019 SOL season begins on 3/19 with 8th grade writing. All 8th graders will be taking the test at the same time, which is a change from previous years. On 3/29, there will be pep rallies (school spirit celebrations), with each grade having a separate rally. Finally, Shannon S. (8th grade) and Laney G. (6th grade) are this year's RMS students of the year. Finally, Dr. W. will be holding focus groups to discuss RMS dress code.
- Teacher/Staff Report – Ms. Jackson reports that links for 8th grade students to vote for a dance theme will close on Friday.
- President – Heather Craven
 - **Nominating Committee – NEED 3 people** to serve to find slate of officers for 2019-20 school year. Open positions (President, 2nd VP, 3rd VP & Secretary) (1st VP?)
 - Bylaws were submitted to State PTA – haven't heard anything back from them.
 - Heather and Dr. Wasnock will be attending CCPS Partners Appreciation luncheon on Friday 3/22
- 1st Vice President – Steffanie Washo
- 2nd Vice President – Karen Zegarra
 - \$899 in Kroger rewards is on the way – 93 households participating
- Communications – Lazira Rife
- Treasurer – Ruth Garrett
 - Checking account balance \$18,039.57- money for teacher support, counseling, and school programs is available if anything is needed. Also, the VCIC bill has been paid.
 - Budget to Actual review
- Secretary – Jennie Raugh
 - Approval of February meeting minutes

School Programs:

- Diversity/Inclusion – Sara Berger/TJ Ellis
 - Review of 2/28 Meeting – VCIC representatives came to share the work they have been doing with staff and students
 - Diversity Committee is still looking for a co-chair next year to lead what has been the Diversity Committee and to incorporate what has been known as the IEP/504 group, as both advocate inclusivity within the PTA and school community.
 - Ms. Janet Garland has organized a meeting with VCIC to discuss our contract with them as a PTA and the work they have done with our school and what a new, county-wide contract with VCIC will mean going forward.
 - Next meeting 5/30 – 6pm
- Library/ Reading Program – OPEN
- REBO – Alison MacPhail
- Raider Closet – Karen Zegarra

- 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>

PTA Programs:

- Box Tops –Gena Reeder – keep sending in – will prepare for submission next Fall.
- County Council – Kathryn Haines
 - Recap of March 11th meeting – Hot Topics in Chesterfield – Teen Vaping
 - The county-wide PTA this month was a vaping presentation so not much of an update there. I definitely encourage people to do their homework on vaping so they can address the subject with their kids. Slide show has been shared on the RMS PTA Facebook page.
 - https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B2s_1-9vgoE3U2IXTmt5ZmgxVTUUVh3Q3ZZSXZ6NEZtSy00/view?fbclid=IwAR2cxW4obhomrnFF2dkEmX64Nkaf8n-uM1u4wv-xdpw9-PQfZ3_2RmonShw
 - Next meeting April 15 @ CCPS Technical Center on Hull St. – Annual Dinner meeting – Dr. Wasnock, Heather Craven & Kathryn Haines attending
- Landscaping – Steffanie Washo
- Membership – Charleen Huguet
- Spiritwear – Kim Selvey
 - Embroidered sweatshirts reorder is in the works. Ran out of smaller sizes at the rising 6th grade night and took orders to be filled.
- Teacher Appreciation – Alison MacPhail
 - Next event will be Teacher Appreciation Week, May 6-10
 - Dr. Wasnock to provide dates for PTA meals- Dr. W. requested 2 meals (both lunches) during the week. Ms. Jackson offered to poll teachers to see what they might especially enjoy. Dr. W. plan to cook out for the staff on Fri., 5/10, while the PTA will provide lunches on Tues and Thurs. The suggestion was made for there to be non-food gifts offered for teachers, too. Maybe gift card giveaways?? Parental coverage during lunches so teachers can have a break?
- Student Programs –
- 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, April 12th - “Wacky Tacky Day” Your mission is to dress as tacky as possible! Get crazy creative with mismatched clothes and shoes, wacky socks and hair. Get a chance to have your picture taken and chosen for the yearbook. **RMS dress code applies.* Can these dates be announced by teachers in the classrooms as well as added to the Raider Report?
- 8th Grade Celebration – **OPEN**
- 8th Grade Dance – Mandy Richards, Jessica Lurey, Lisa Garnett, Vickie Welsh, Lariza Rife, Shanon Deyerle
 - 8th Grade Math class winners presented to Heather Craven & Lisa Garnett on March 4th.
 - Committee has narrowed down the presentation choice for the top 3 themes for the 8th grade to vote on. Ticket price will be \$10 with \$2.00 from every ticket sold will be donated to the chosen charity by the 8th grade class.

- Committee will be meeting to divvy up tasks
- Dance is set for Friday May 31st

Next meeting is scheduled for April 15, 7pm in Library – since this the CCCPTA Annual Dinner Meeting, we will hold a virtual meeting for April

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Additional Meeting Dates:

Monday April 15 – virtual meeting

Monday May 20

Monday June 10 (fun social gathering)