

Royalview Elementary PTA
Meeting Minutes
September 1, 2016

OPENING (Laura Kramer):

The meeting was called to order at 6:34P.M.

President's Comments (Laura Kramer):

- Board members were introduced.
- A September PTA meeting was added this year due to the school year starting early as well as the Roadrunner Dash Fun Run being in the month of September.
- A 5th grade committee was added to help plan the end of the year party and assist with t-shirt ordering.
- The Carnival is usually in March, however this year it is changed to April in hopes that it will be nice enough to have events outside. This will also allow opportunity for students to celebrate because they will be finished with their testing.
- Recess balls (soccer ball, basketball, kickball, footballs, & utility balls.) have been purchased by the PTA for all grade levels. Each grade will have a bag of balls and they will be color coded by grades.
- All families were sent home an event poster/calendar listing all events throughout the school year. This was able to be done at now cost due to the donation of \$500 from the Cookie Dough fundraiser.
- Please look online at royalviewpta.org for additional information and forms. The PTA also has a Facebook page that is used to try to obtain last minute volunteers for events.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

May meeting minutes were approved by: Sherry & Crystal.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Kristi Petrecca):

- July Saving balance \$44,512.26. Checking balance \$6,135.71.
- August Saving balance \$44,512.26. Checking balance \$5,566.65.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Amanda Mitchell):

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LCC DELEGATE REPORT (Angela Buemi):

- The first meeting will be next week. This is the Lake County Council for all local, state and nationwide PTA. There is a new president on this board, Terran.

SCHOOL BOARD REPORT (Coletta Hirsch):

- The first meeting is on September 12th at 7:00 p.m. If anyone would like to attend, you are more than welcome. Please know that if you would like to speak, you must first inform them so you can be placed on the agenda prior to the meeting. You will only be allowed 3-5 minutes to speak. There are no questions or interruptions during or at the end of this meeting.

PRINCIPALS REPORT (Ms. Cantwell and Mr. Bender):

- The school is focusing on PBIS and the ROCKs program, which the parents will be learning more about throughout the year. Last year there were issues at recess and it is believed that the having the balls available will help incorporate more structure during recess to eliminate some of the issues that occur. Ms. Cantwell thanked the PTA for the purchase of the balls for recess. There have also been additional noon aides hired to assist during recess. The custodian painted hopscotch and 4 squares for the kids as well. The P.E. teachers will incorporate education for the children on both hopscotch and 4 squares into her classes due to many kids not knowing what these are.
- MAP testing has started (KG-2 reading, KG-3 long reading and math).
- Sep 9th is honor our Local Hero Day. Local police, fire, service department and the mayor attend the school to celebrate. The students make posters. The middle school has joined in this celebration this year.
- The new Security System (Raptor) has been installed which requires a Drivers License for anyone entering the building. This is for the safety of the children. Ms. Cantwell may request to have the Secretary available during the Open House to enroll the volunteers into the IPIN system which eliminates the need for a Drives License every time, because a picture is uploaded into the system.

TEACHER REP REPORTS (Kg, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th):

- KG: Students are learning the curriculum.
- 1st: Students are learning the routine and working on respectful and ownership rules.
- 2nd: Started MAP testing. Need the parents to drill the students on basic addition and subtraction. Mrs. Bolus from the Ohio State Exceptions Science Center will come monthly starting in October to educate children on a recycling programs. It is hoped to get the Junior Achievement program up and running; however volunteers are needed for this. This would involve having leaders from the community come in to volunteer their services to help teach children social skills, community service and economics for 5 45 minute sessions monthly.

- 3rd: Working on ROCKs. Read a book with the fish philosophy and the students made fish. It goes along with ROCKs but it helps them to learn how to be there for each other. Reading is going very well this year. They have a flower graphic organizer which is assisting.
- 4th: The students are happy and engaged. Most classrooms have finished their first unit in math and have completed or will soon complete their first chapter tests. They are preparing for a musical in October and an Open House in September. They are working on MAP testing.
- 5th: Started MAP testing. Some of the 5th grade teachers implemented the 1st grade buddy system this week. Field trip planning has begun, as there are many trips this year with a lot of planning needs. The first field trip will be an all-day event with Lolly the Trolley.
- Special Ed: This is a very diverse group KG -5 and is getting back in to the routine. Ms. Burrell is a new teacher.
- Music/PE: They are teaching the playground games in PE. The students will perform "America The Beautiful" in sign language on Hero Day. Please have your 4th graders return their recorders that were given to them last year. The 4th grade is getting ready for the Musical and help will be needed to make props. There is a 5th grade field trip to the Orchestra in November. The 3rd Grade Musical will be in December.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT'S

- MEMBERSHIP (Joyce Keough): 134 currently of which 18 are faculty members.
- SPIRIT WEAR (Laura Kramer): Sales YTD are \$467. \$180 was made during Kindergarten orientation, \$267 made from Stop N Drop and remainder was just from periodic orders. The amount of spirit wear in stock have decreased and Laura is looking into the possibility of ordering online, which will allow less handling work for the PTA as well as additional variety for the students and family.
- PTA Room Parent (Kristen Morbeto): Packets have been sent home to families requesting information if they would like to be a Room Parent. The deadline to turn in requests is Sep 30th. If only 1 person volunteers, they will be the room parent. If multiple volunteers are obtained, a drawing will occur. 2 additional parents will be allowed to attend the 2 parties throughout the year, however they must be a PTA member in order to attend due to being a PTA sponsored event. Once all the room parents are determined a letter will be sent out informing parents of the Room Parents. Faculty packets also have guidelines that should be shared with the Room Parents once the teacher indicates their preferences on room specifics (i.e. sibling attendance, etc.).
- Roadrunner Dash Fun Run (Kristen Morbeto): The Roadrunner Dash Fun Run is a boosterthon event in which the PTA could choose from multiple sponsorship levels; which Royalview PTA chose the midline which costs \$2,000. The company initially set the fundraising goal at \$22,000, which was greatly reduced to a more feasible amount of \$10,000. This is a 10 day process which starts off with a PEP rally on Sep 20th which will be split into 2 sessions to accommodate all grades. The students will receive packets at the PEP rally with additional information. Students can get sponsored by lap (to a maximum of 35 laps) or flat donations. All donations will be collected at the end, except for the flat donations. Any high dollar lap donation will be flagged and that person will be contacted to be sure they didn't actually want a one time donation (i.e. \$20/lap x 30 laps = \$600). The parent must register the child online; as this is an online fundraiser. The Oak Room will be set up for assist with sign up for parents who do not have computer access at home. The students will see character message clips daily or 5 days with the "Box Office" movie theme. The classes that receive \$30 per lap will receive 3 donated meals to a student with food needs. There will be a few principle challenges. The company sends personnel in for the PEP rally and sets up the race track for the races. The races will be set up for Sep 30th with 2 tracks. As the students round the track they will receive a mark on the back of their shirt to indicate the number of laps completed. If the weather does not permit; the Fun Run dates will have to be split up by grade and held indoors. Mr. Brown assisted in obtaining sponsors for the purchase of the t-shirts for the event which raised \$2,639 of the total \$3,000 cost. Exact T-shirt sizes were not able to be obtained; therefore sizes were guessed based off what the general sizes are for particular grades and the shirts were ordered larger to help alleviate error of having too small of shirts. The T-shirt will be given to the teachers the week of the races. The students will not receive their t-shirts until the day of the races to prevent them from forgetting to wear their shirts.

WAYS & MEANS

- POPCORN (Amanda Mitchell): An additional popcorn day has been added to the calendar year. There is \$150 worth of popcorn sales YTD. They can be purchased each month or the entire year at once. Yearly orders are due in by Sep 9th.
- SCHOOLa (Laura Kramer): This initiative was started last year in which gently used clothing can be donated, sold online and a percentage of the proceeds are returned to the Royalview PTA. Simply go online, request a postage paid bag and ship in your items. This year the PTA has received \$145.91 in which \$86.05 has already been paid (the payments are made on a quarterly basis).
- HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA (Sally Suponic): Cathy Naro has joined Sally in assisting with this event. This event is similar to a craft fair in which children can shop for family members for Christmas. The vendors must have 50 items at \$5 or less, however they can sell more expensive items as well. & vendors have already confirmed. Vendors pay \$25 per table and an additional \$10 for a 2nd table. Electricity is available on a first come first serve basis.

OLD BUSINESS

- AUDIT 2015-16 (Angela Buemi & Alyssa Zappola): Angela and Alyssa Zappola conducted the PTA audit for 2015-16 and there were no issues.

NEW BUSINESS

- Fundraising 2016 Goals (Laura Kramer): All members present received a listing of the current fundraiser goals with the amounts anticipated to earn. The fundraisers are for the Roadrunner Dash Fun Run, KidStuff Coupon Books, Cookie Dough, Schoola, Marcos and Kohl's Cares. Royalview was one of the top 20 schools last year which was awarded \$1,000 from the school challenge and Marco's matched it for a grant total of \$2,000. Kohl's Cares program is a program in which an employee from Kohl's volunteers at the school with events and they donate \$500. IT was recommended to utilize these volunteers for the following events: Cookie Dough Delivery, Extravaganza, Carnival, & the Book Fair.
- Budget Approval (Laura Kramer): 2016-17 PTA budget was presented and approved by majority vote. The Marco's goal amounts were chosen by obtaining the average of the earned money from each box night and regular pizza ordering days separately.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- SCHOOL PICTURES SEP 13 (Kg, 1st, 2nd) SEP 14 (3rd, 4th, 5th)
- ROADRUNNER DASH FUN RUN PEP RALLY(During School) SEP 20th:
- MARCO'S PIZZA DAYS: Sep 27 & 28. Families may call or place orders online for these dates and mention Royalview in order for a percentage of the proceeds to be donated back to the Royalview PTA. Orders submitted online will give a greater percentage to the PTA. Orders can be placed online any day throughout the year and a percentage will still be given to the PTA. When ordering online, select School Challenge, Royalview, and the student's teacher name. There will be Box Nights in March & October in which the students will be given plain boxes to decorate during indoor recess. When the parents order their pizza, the order will arrive in the students decorated box. If you have multiple students attending, you will receive all the decorated boxes.
- OPEN HOUSE: Sep 28 (1st, 3rd, 5th) Sep 29 (KG, 2nd, 4th) 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
- ROADRUNNER DASH FUN RUN: Sep 30

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- No School Sep 5 – Labor Day
- Next PTA meeting is Oct 6 at 6:30
- Meeting Raffle Winner for \$25 gift card to Peties: Heather Kiggins

Respectfully Submitted By:
Leslie Lynch,
Recording Secretary

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