

# Roguewood Elementary PTO MINUTES

September 20, 2022



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## Attendees:

Camey Brown (President), Becky Norris (Vice President, Volunteer Coordinator), Tina Worrall (Events Coordinator), Sandra Castrillon (Treasurer), Megan Stelzer (Secretary), Teya Cotter (Principal), Amie Santillan (SI Dean), Sandra Dupras, Michelle Halliday, Laura Preuss, Chelle Lofton, Heather Berkenpas, Kristen Beals, Amanda Glover, Andrea Jacobson, Christie Ramsey, Christina DeYanker, Liz Gear, Kari Hady, Jarrod Folsom

- Presentation by Mike Cuneo, Assistant Superintendent of Finance, on the Non-Homestead Millage Renewal Proposals  
<https://www.rockfordschools.org/non-homestead-renewal/>
- Introductions from Board of Education Candidates Andrea Jacobson, Christie Ramsey and Jarrod Folsom

- Reminder that Election Day is November 8 which is also Parent Teacher Conferences

- **RPS School Board Candidates**

4 year Term: Vote for 3

Andrea R. Jacobson <https://www.facebook.com/ChristieRamseyRockford>

Bobbi Jo M. Blanton <https://m.facebook.com/bobbijoblanton/>

Barbara Helms <https://www.facebook.com/barbhelms4rockford>

Christie J. Ramsey <https://www.facebook.com/ChristieRamseyRockford>

Craig C. Ladyman

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100085624539669>

Jarrod W. Folsom

<https://www.facebook.com/JarrodFolsom.RPS.BoardOfEducation>

Nicole Villegas

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100082206707718>

2 Year Term: Vote for 1

Timothy J. Lewis <https://www.facebook.com/timilewis>

Tricia Anderson <https://www.facebook.com/TriciaforRPSboard/>

- Meeting called to order at 7:31 by Camey Brown
- Welcome from Camey Brown. Ongoing communication and activities that the PTO is involved in were described- Meetings, RGW Weekly, RGW Business listing, Warm Fuzzies, Birthday Board
- Staff Report- Michelle Halliday- Library Manager-
  - Book Fair will take place the week of Parent Teacher Conferences. Students will go during library time with some shifting to other days. Parents are welcome to shop during conferences on November 8th.
  - Battle of the Books will be starting at the end of the month for 5th grade.
- SI Happenings- Amie Santillan- Many activities taking place to continue to improve our program including visiting educators, Learning Labs for teachers and increased communication across schools.
- Principals Report- Teya Cotter
  - Family Involvement
    - Watch DOGS program- Great response at Kickoff Party last week of 90 volunteers. Signups have begun but more people are needed especially in Traditional. Starts 10/3. Information page link [here](#).
    - Volunteer opportunities- Focusing on educational needs. Make sure to complete [Volunteer Consent form](#) before coming. Class parties will no longer be open to all parents.
  - Safety
    - When volunteering at the school, you must present an ID and get a nametag
    - Students must be signed out by parent if leaving school early
    - Emergency Drills have started and went well. An email is being sent home after conducting drills to make families aware.
  - Teaching & Learning Goals- Teacher planning taking place on Early Release days
- Welcome Back Party Recap- Thank you to the sponsors who supported our party including RGW families & businesses. We had a great turnout!

- Spirit Wear- 31 orders placed for the fall sale. Products are due to be ready by the end of the week. Delivery will take place week of Sept 26.
- Teacher Supply Grants- \$150 available to each teacher. Thank you to the PTO from our teachers!
- Budget Review & Approval- Copies provided at meeting to review
  - Activity Pass- 95% of students passes received. Thank you! We also received several sponsorships.
  - Other income sources we'd like to increase that require no additional money from families- [Booster Bucks](#), [Amazon Smile](#), [Boxtops for Education](#)
  - Expense budgets increased for Cultural Assemblies, Donuts/Muffin Days, Media Center & Library and Roguewood T-shirts. Reductions seen for Popcorn Supplies/Clean Machine
  - Motion to Approve the Budget made by Becky Norris, 2nd by Heather Berkenpas
- Upcoming Events
  - Garden- There has been a lot of recent interest in updating our outdoor spaces including a parent working on an outdoor education space, a possible Eagle Scout project and other ideas.
  - Donuts with Dad- October 12
  - Pumpkin Run- October 21
  - Parent Teacher Conferences- November 8 & 10
- Next meeting November 15
- Motion to close made by Becky Norris, 2nd by Camey Brown at 9:03pm