

Roguewood Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes

3/14/19

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 p.m.

Attendees: Doug Hoogerland, Mary Hayes, Susan Stoneman, Kellie Bozym, Carla Hardy, Julie Barron, Tina Worrall, Amy Nalbach-Cronin, Holly Scheffler

Welcome - Susan Stoneman, PTO President

Doug Hoogerland, Principal

- Principals met last week to discuss snow days and brainstorm ideas about how to proceed with events and programs for the remainder of the year. The desire is to keep consistency among elementary schools and to compensate for lost instruction days. Some events were canceled and curriculum plans were tweaked.
- Book Bingo was a bit less attended, likely due to Ash Wednesday.
- Kindergarten registration went well, screening will follow soon.
- Decision was made to no longer send notes home for strep throat, but rather notify parents via Family Access due to faster and better communication.

- Developing a new plan for recess for 2nd/3rd graders. Due to second grade having the most discipline issues and most interruptions in the day, recess will be moved to pre-lunch. They would have a half hour recess, come in for lunch, followed by another shorter recess. This will allow them to have more time to eat without them wanting to rush outside. It will also make for less interruption in the afternoon. Ideally, Doug would like one recess per grade level, so there are less kids outdoors at one time, but that is not feasible at this time.
- Recap of the food truck event being planned by Kathy Walcott and Lesli Martinez. SI Boosters are planning to fund this event. This is not a fundraiser - any funds raised will go towards offsetting the costs of activity passes.

Mary Hayes, ISAC Representative

- Dr. Shabler discussed the bond proposal. Election is May 7. He will attend our next PTO meeting on April 23 at 9:30 a.m. There is a link on the website that explains the bond in more detail. Snow day discussion - we allow for 6, 3 were forgiven by the state, and school will be in session the Friday before Memorial Day, which totals 10 days. Therefore, due to the many snow days, we need to make up 5 days - this will be the week of 6/10-14. We need to make these days up due to funding. The legislature is considering forgiving more days, but that is in the works, and schools are pushing for a quicker decision due to the desire of parents and staff to make summer plans.

- School improvement - Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, Mike Ramm - discussed issues such as education support for teachers, curriculum audit, a 4 year review cycle and other curriculum issues and goals.

Susan Stoneman, PTO President

- Recaps
 1. Bowling Night was a success, all lanes were filled for all time slots and we broke even on cost.
 2. Conference Meals went well
 3. Book Bingo - instead of pizza, PTO provided popcorn and that seemed to go well and will likely continue in the future.
 4. Spirit Wear - Order going in on 3/15, \$400 in profit, around 15% participation. Another order will be placed in the fall, with a pared down list of options due to interest. Will need a Spirit Wear committee in the future. Spirit Wear will be offered during Open Houses as well.
- Popcorn - more volunteers are needed.
- Art Night - Emily Miller will be heading this up again and will contact PTO as needed.
- Staff Appreciation week is coming up, May 6-10. Holly Scheffler heads this up and will need more volunteers this year. Theme this year is "Nacho Average Staff," and will have a southwest feel, with days like Taco Tuesday, churros and coffee, etc. There was great feedback last year. Gift cards will be donated again for staff. Volunteers needed for

tasks such as set up and tear down, errands, decoration and more. A signup genius is forthcoming for volunteer recruitment. Budget for this will be around \$300, same as last year, with possible extra \$100 if needed.

- Mornings with Mom or Someone Special - May 16 & 17. Discussed a name change due to the desire to honor and be sensitive to different family dynamics and situations.
- Relay for Life coming up - May 17 & 18. Susan will register Roguewood and is currently recruiting people to head this up.
- 2019/20 school year
 1. PayPal card readers at Open Houses - used for spirit wear orders, activity passes and popcorn. Will hopefully make it easier for everyone and will allow these things to be paid the day of.
 2. Kindergarten parent packages - discussed what is helpful to be added to these to assist new parents in the transition. Reinforced current items and suggested new items, such as party and field trip attendance, Schoology and Family Access instruction and pick-up information.
 3. Advertising forthcoming for committee chairs and volunteers - we have so many parents and those who wish to volunteer - a more active approach to recruiting will take place during Open Houses.
- Nomination of 2019/20 PTO officers - we will need a new VP, and nominations for that and other positions will take place through 4/16, with confirmation on 4/23 at the PTO meeting. Information coming soon on description of positions and time commitments.

We will also discuss the idea of having co-officers to ease the workload, train new officers and make the transition easier.

- Activity pass fee change - may need to be increased for next year. Possibility of an incentive to pay early for next year - if you pay early, you will lock in your rate for this current year.

Kellie Bozym, PTO Treasurer

- Bank reconciliation signed by president to verify funds.
- Revenue
 1. Collected additional \$70 comprised of Activity Pass, Popcorn and Amazon Smile
- Expenditures Paid
 1. Globetrotter Expenses reimbursed - \$700
 2. Media/Library Grand purchased books for Roguewood's library - \$467
 3. Popcorn Supplies - \$140
 4. Sent final payment for 3rd grade Lansing trip transportation - \$2,910

Carla Hardy, PTO Secretary

- Approval of February meeting minutes. Motion was made to approve, motion was supported and motion carried.

Next meeting is April 23, 9:30 a.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

