

RBHS PTO MEETING
Held on Monday, October 7, 2013

The meeting was called to order at approx. 7:05p.m. by our President, Pam Powers.

OPENING CEREMONIES: We started with Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone in attendance introduced themselves.

There were 19 members in attendance and three faculty.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: A motion was made by Sue Payne to approve the Sept.13, 2013 minutes, second by Gayle Cisar. All in favor, motion passed.

-Membership report: We currently have approx. 20 – 30 staff PTO members and approx. 300 parent members.

-Directories can be picked up in the office for one more week.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Renee Buksa, our Treasurer reported that as of September 30, 2013.

-Due are over budget.

-Freshman Welcome and Open House were under budget. A motion was made by Sue Payne to accept the treasurer's report dated 9/3-/13. Second by Heather Elwart. Motion passed.

-We are in the process of re-applying for our tax exempt status. Our tax returns are being reviewed by our accountant.

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Jeannine Glavas-Cowell reported that our by-laws have been updated to rescind last two by-laws under PTO. We are adopting by-laws to read Patron's Council at this meeting. When our tax exempt status is approved, we will legally change our name to PTO in January. A motion was made by Jeannine Glavas-Cowell to rescind last two by-laws under PTO and adopt revised by-laws to read Patron's Council. Second by Fran Sitkiewicz. Motion passed.

SPEAKERS: We had three RBHS staff members, Kristin Smetana (Asst. Princ. For Curriculum & Development), Sarah Johnson (English Dept. Chair) and Doug Schultz (Math Dept. Chair) speak to us about understanding what's new with curriculum and Assessments, Common Core Standards, Testing Schedules and Formats now and in the future. Handouts were distributed.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT: Please put any questions for Pam Bylsma in the box.

NEW BUSINESS: Staff Grants: We have \$3,000 available for staff grants. We will have the staff use the form that Pam created to submit requests for grant money. The grant request will come to the PTO first then we will discuss. We will make sure that the BOE has seen the request. The form will be sent out to the staff.

-Day of Service: This event will take place on 4/26/13. There will be an information meeting on 10/23 at 7 p.m. We will share information regarding subcommittees, etc. Our day of service was very successful last year. We should use volunteer spot to recruit volunteers for this event.

-Veteran's Day Breakfast: The PTO provides \$250 for the breakfast. Mr. Fields sponsors.

-We Are RB: We will not have a table at this event. The children have not even taken the entrance exam as of this date. We don't benefit from having representation of PTO at We are RB.

COMMUNICATIONS: We are still in need of volunteers to serve on this committee. If the school cannot send out daily bulletins then we should send them out via the PTO.

SENIOR AWARDS: We hold a senior awards night for our seniors. Can we recognize Freshman, Sophomores and Juniors in some way? Maybe we can share programs that our kids participate. Any ideas?

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Our next PTO meeting is on Monday, Nov. 4th at 7 p.m.

Submitted by,
Kathy Barcal – Secretary

DATES:

PTO Meeting-Monday, 11/4 at 7 p.m.

Veteran's Breakfast-Monday, 11/11

We are RB-Wednesday, 11/27