

RBHS PTO Meeting

Held on Monday, March 14, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by our co-president, Pam Powers.

OPENING CEREMONIES: We started with the Pledge of Allegiance and introductions were made.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

PARCC started today. Incentives are in place to help encourage students best effort. PARCC results took 9 months to get last year. Hard to use for individual assessment. It does help with overall curriculum. Turnabout is this Saturday, March 19. Students seem excited. Spring sports have started. It was asked that Kristin/RB share with all parents what "shelter in place" means. Parents have been asking and seem to be confused based on situation that occurred in January. It was asked that the definitions of these situations be placed on the website. There was a miscommunication about whether students are allowed to hang out in the commons after school. They are allowed to be there. A question was raised about French 2. There are 37 students enrolled in French 2 for next year. Too many for 1 class, not enough for 2 classes. What will happen? Kristin shared that the same situation happened last year. Most likely some of the 37 will drop for various reasons. Probably will not be an issue. They would not turn students away from a foreign language. RB is adding 4 teachers next year and the population is staying the same. A question was raised about where will graduation be held. A decision will be made by the end of the month.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The minutes from the February meeting were presented. A motion by Veronica Diaz was made to approve the minutes. Second by Sue Huhndorf-Payne. Motion passes, minutes approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Jane is looking to form a financial review committee. It must be 3 PTO members. The committee will meet in July. It should only be 1 meeting. The committee should be formed by April and voted in at the May PTO meeting. A motion was made by Sue Huhndorf-Payne to approve the performance to budget for the period of July 1, 2015-February 29, 2016. Second by Veronica Diaz. Motion passed and approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

The nominating committee has been formed. The members are; Melinda Brom (executive board), Sondie Carlson and Teresa Jimenez. The alternates are; Sue Huhndorf-Payne (executive board) and Carol Barlow. Pam Powers made a motion to accept the executive board members to the nominating committee. Second by Jeannine Glavas-Cowell. Members are accepted. A motion was made by Melinda Brom to accept the members from the general membership to the nominating committee. Second by Liz Gomorzak. Members are accepted. The slate will be presented in April and sworn in at the May PTO meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The staff luncheon was a success. Teachers and staff were very appreciative. PTO had to purchase desserts. PTO spent an additional \$160.00+. We may need to consider raising this budget. We did not get the amount of donations that we have gotten in the past. A motion was made by Andrea O'Brien to approve the overage of up to \$250.00 for the staff luncheon. Second by Veronica Diaz.

RB Boutique was awesome. Kathi Parisi did an amazing job! She was absent from the meeting. She will share details from RB Boutique at the next PTO meeting.

The DOS t-shirt contest had 13 entries. The winner was Paul Kritikos. The theme for DOS is "Make a Splash". The focus is mostly rivers and creeks. There will be a few projects at RB. There are about 20 work sites. Student sign-up will occur 3/21-3/24 during all lunch hours. At the DOS event there will be a scavenger hunt. First group to find all will get a prize. Lunch will be provided afterwards. Chick-Fil-A is donating approx. 300 sandwiches.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

An anonymous donation through Amazon was made to the PTO. Jane is going to look at it and get more details. There is still about \$1000.00 left for staff grants. A letter will be sent to staff to remind them there is still some money available. It was discussed that at Senior Awards Night we may want sell grad lawn signs.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Next PTO meeting is 4/4/16

Day of Service (DOS) is 4/23/16

A motion was made by Jeannine Glavas-Cowell to adjourn the meeting, second by Heather Elwart. Motion passed, meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Submitted by,
Heather Elwart - Secretary