

Riverside Brookfield High School PTO Meeting  
November 5, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 by PTO President, Julie Laube.

OPENING CEREMONIES: The Pledge of Allegiance was said. President Julie Laube welcomed everyone at the meeting and thanked them for their attendance. She also reported that there was a good turnout for the screening of "Screenagers" and that the parents attending were moved by the film and appreciative of the opportunity to view the film. Julie also mentioned that for the Tupperware fundraiser, the PTO has decided to use the larger catalog which provides more options and provides a 15% donation rather than the more limited catalog which provides a 40% donation. Information will be available on the PTO website and Facebook. The deadline to order is December 15, 2018.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: Principal Smetana stated that the Veteran's Day program on November 9th will have a different format and speaker this year. It will run from 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. She also encouraged everyone to attend the fall play, Alice In Wonderland, which will be shown November 8th - 10th at 7:00 p.m. and on the 11th at 2:00 p.m. Principal Smetana mentioned that the Special Olympics "Pack the Place" event will be held on November 14th at RBHS. Lastly, she explained that the RBHS Report Card is now available to view on the state's website, [illinois.gov](http://illinois.gov), and that RB earned a rating of "Commendable" and was only 1% away from obtaining the "Exemplary" rating.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The minutes from the October 1, 2018 meeting were presented. Sandy Briolat made a motion to approve the minutes and Paula Fritsch seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Paula Fritsch stated that the PTO received \$121.00 from Amazon Smile this month and encouraged everyone to use it when shopping with Amazon.

V.P. OF COMMUNICATION REPORT: Heather DiForti said the PTO Paypal account is currently locked out and she is working on setting up a new one. She will also send out a post about the Tupperware and Amazon Smile fundraisers.

V.P. OF MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Sandy Briolat reported that 13 new PTO memberships were opened during the Parent Teacher Conferences, and some some decals and yard signs were sold as well. She also mentioned that the "Giving Tree" was beautiful and a success.

V.P. OF PHILANTHROPY REPORT: Sondra Krumm-Carlson did not have any new information to report at this meeting.

V.P. OF SPECIAL EVENTS: Cindy Vitek stated that Future Bulldog Night will be held on January 9th and that all preparations have been made for this event.

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Michelle Marconi related that the By-Law Committee is being organized and currently Michele Mendoza has agreed to participate. Two more individuals are needed, one of which cannot be a PTO executive.

NEW BUSINESS: Christine Kawiecki is organizing the MLK Day Service Project this year which will be held on January 21, 2018 at RBHS. Last year 100 survival kits were assembled by students and this year she hopes to collect enough items and money to assemble 150 kits. They are then donated to local homeless shelters and police departments. Monetary donations can be made via Paypal and items such as hats, gloves, and travel size toiletries can be dropped off at RBHS and local libraries.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS: The Veteran's Day Assembly will be held from 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. on November 9th. The next PTO meeting will be held on January 14, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

Julie Laube adjourned the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Michelle Holman Van Nice, Secretary