

ROCKBURN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA
Board Meeting
November 9, 2022

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by PTA President, Nishant Parikh, at 7:03 pm, and held in person at Rockburn Elementary School.

Present: Nishant Parikh, Sonia Chainani, Tom Barnes, Ammilee Oliva, Liz Yankle, Stephanie Schmid, Howard Dunston, Leann Milford

Officer Reports

Recording Secretary (Sonia Chainani)

- Reviewed October meeting minutes. Ammilee Oliva made a motion to approve the October minutes as written. Tom Barnes seconded. Motion/minutes passed.

Treasurer (Tom Barnes)

- Revenue for October was \$3687, which consisted of memberships (\$1038), spirit wear (\$360), donations (\$208), clothing to cash (\$90), Fall Festival (\$1440), other PTA events (\$551) and interest
- Expenses of \$3016 consisted of fall festival supplies (\$685), movie night expenses (\$364), teacher reimbursements (\$90), landscaping (\$65), spirit wear supplies (\$19), membership dues (\$1479), banking/PayPal fees (\$89) and PTAHC scholarship (\$225)
- Exceeded monetary goal for membership, fall festival, and movie night
- Tracking well for the year

Corresponding Secretary (Sarah Cheplak)

- No report

VP 1 (Aimee Schaech)

- No report

VP 2 (Ammilee Oliva)

- No report

President (Nishant Parikh)

- No report

Standing Committee Reports

Principal (Liz Yankle)

- Looking forward to American Education Week next week

Meeting minutes by Sonia Chainani, recording secretary

- November 21st and November 22nd are conferences; Monday is in person at Rockburn and Tuesday and Wednesday are virtual
- February, March, April, and May there will be a series for the Dessert and Discussions (6-6:45 pm); collaborating with Mrs. Clark on this
- Friday Live Announcements will be happening; trying to figure out how to send a youtube link to parents to watch
- If you do not fill out the inclement weather survey, the school is required to send home the monthly calendar so please fill out the survey if you do not need it

Assistant Principal (Melisha Martin)

- No report

Teacher Representative (Stephanie Schmid)

- Please sign up for conferences
- Kids loved the Fall Festival

PTA Delegate (Howard Dunstan)

- New inclement weather policy allows for 3 asynchronous snow days before snow days have to made up at the end of the year; work should amount to about 4 hours of school work
- Redistricting – rising seniors do not move; HS 13 will be just 9th or 9th and 10th grade
- PTSA Collaborative Education Group meets once a month to support parents; December webinar will be about supporting your LGBTQ child
- November 14 last work session for redistricting, November 17th is when they vote
- December 5th Board meeting will have a discussion about the name of HS 13 and there will be a vote on school start times

Ways and Means (Open/Ashley Raabe)

- Made \$125 at The Crazy Milkshake Spirit Night
- Next restaurant night on Dec 7 at Columbia Ale House

Hospitality (Katie Biskey/Alison Raver/Stephanie Willett)

- Conference dinner being planned

Family Involvement (Stephanie Willett)

- No report

Membership (Sonia Chainani)

- Successful membership drive this year as exceeded our membership goal
- Thank you to Amber Watters and Ms. Schmid for advertising the bundle membership along with the Fall Festival
- Second shirt order has been placed and is expected to arrive on Monday, November 14 in time for the Rocky Run

Special Events (Amber Watters/Leann Milford)

- Planning on doing Bingo Night on February 3rd (\$2 per family)
- Hoping to have Sports Park Night on June 2 or 9th (\$25 per family)

SECAC (Leah Porritt)

- Parents Place of Maryland presented at October meeting; Missy Alexander (Director of Education) emphasized that children with disabilities are part of the community and are entitled to have their needs met at school
- Dr. Savage reported about compensatory services, they are continuing to expand the options they have for services to Saturdays and weekday evenings, summer times are also on the table for approval

Cultural Arts (Open Position)

- No report

Subcommittee Reports

Diversity (Open Position)

- No report

Book Fair (Julie Brown)

- Open for parent shopping on November 18th from 4:00-7:30 and November 21st from 1:00-7:30 pm
- Need volunteers to help with selling as well as helping K-2 make their wish list

Holiday Shop (Julie Brown)

- Friday, Dec 2nd from 6:30-8:00
- Will need lots of volunteers to help set up, run the event/sell items, clean up and will need 4th and 5th grade students to be elves

Bulletin Boards (Stephanie Willett)

- Have updated staff lounge and will do the front board next

Staff Appreciation (Stephanie Willett/Sonia Chainani)

- No report

Box Tops (Jill Mayotte)

- No report

Landscape (Aimee Schaech)

- No report

Reflections (Amber Watters)

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- Submissions due December 23

Amazon Rewards (Beth Shaw)

- No report

School Toolboxes (Beth Shaw)

- No report

Scholarship (Aneka Bledsoe)

- No report

Webmaster (Nishant Parikh)

- No report

Open Items

- No open items

New Items

- No new items

Meeting adjourned by Nishant Parikh at 7:40 pm.

The next meeting is December 7th at 7 pm at Columbia Ale House.