Redtail Ridge Elementary School
April 2017
PTC Meeting Minutes
ACTION ITEMS IN RED

Meeting was called to order in the media center on Tuesday, April 4, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.

In attendance (according to sign-in sheet): Jen Cristallo, Angela Beaton, Lorne Symington (DOGS rep), Pam Doerr (teacher rep), Ashley Engling, Tammy Kelsey, Barb Yetzer, Jamie Literski, Mara Harper, Jill Baty, Haley Seidel, Stacy Sabby

Agenda and Minutes

I. Welcome and introductions

II. Principal's Update (Barb)
   a. MCA Testing is coming up. Have begun using Chrome books to reduce the test taking time (almost in half) and also frees up the library for the remainder of the school
   b. Feedback on the Redtail Ridge T-Shirts was extremely positive – sense of community was truly felt

III. President/VP update (Jen Cristallo, Allie Eicher)
   a. Allie Eicher scheduled a presenter from the Jacob Wetterling Foundation. The cost is $250 for each session - $500 total. April 19, 3-5th grades 1:30-2:15 and K-2 at 2:30-3:15)
   b. Open board positions – Vice President (Mara Harper indicated willingness) and Secretary. Anyone interested should contact a board member or come to the May meeting
   c. Lakefront Music tickets – available online at www.tempotickets.com/ptcredtail; will be sold at Family Fun Night (4/22); or will be available for purchase in the office. Redtail Ridge PTC receives 50% of all sales.
   d. Twins Game tickets for May 16th are selling well, have requested additional tickets. Sold on first come first served. All Redtail Ridge students in attendance are welcome to sing during the 7th inning stretch. Reference April school newsletter or flyer sent home for ticket details

IV. Treasurer's Update (Jen for Angela)
   a. Balance $21K (not including $30K+ from February Read-A-Thon)
   b. Read-a-thon – total was $45,218.35, 93% of all funds raised was kept by PTC
   c. Balance for DOGS: $XXXX

V. Funding Requests (Barb)
   a. $480 8 for 2 buses to subsidize Kindergarten trip to the MN Zoo - APPROVED
   b. Snacks and gum for MAPS testing in April

VI. Fundraising update
   a. February Read-A-Thon
      - Web statistics: 77% of all donations were raised online through student webpages; 343 students raised a total of $34,870 for an average of $101.66 per person

- 113% raised of the $40K school goal
- March 24 was the BIG DAY – Ms. Yetzer became a human sundae, Mr. Pickett got a Mohawk and wore a tutu and Ms. Z was taped to a wall! Check the PTC Facebook site for pictures and live stream video!
- Each child received a Redtail Ridge Tshirt which was distributed on March 24th and worn by all kids and staff. Was a wonderful sense of community and unity
- Feedback was overwhelmingly positive, and many parents said they like giving money, rather than buying things
- PTC Board will work to distribute the funds ASAP – start with rockwall, get outdoor equipment refreshed, funds to offset family costs for Family Fun Night

b. Family Fun Night
- Saturday April 22, 4:00-6:30
- PTC members attended the Glendale carnival which was extremely helpful guidance
- Games were narrowed down to 12 and moved many out of the gym and spaced into the 1st floor pods to alleviate noise and create better flow
- Finalized set up times and needs (ex. truck with lift-gate, grills/warmers, etc.)
- Parking may be a challenge on the day of, will have some parking open on playground hard surface
- Food and drinks available for purchase, rest of the carnival is free of charge
- Depending how this year goes, there may be adjustments to carnival hours, games, flow, prizes. You never know unless you try something!
- Finalized food, trinkets, volunteer, donation needs
    1. Sign up genius sent soliciting volunteers and donations

c. Dinners to raise money for RTR
- May 8 Chipotle (Shakopee) – 4-8 p.m.
- May 22 Culvers – 5-7 p.m.
- June through August – Chili's – 15% off total bill

VII. Volunteer Needs
a. Spring Conference dinners – Signup Genius sent, most slots filled
b. Spring Book Fair - Signup Genius sent, many openings
c. Family Fun Night - Signup Genius sent

VIII. Social Media
a. Check out the Facebook page for videos from the Read-A-Thon day of fun

IX. Upcoming events
a. School Board Meeting – 4/10, 7pm
b. Family Fun Night – 4/22, 4-6:30pm
c. Twin's Game – 5/16

X. DOGS update
a. Pancake breakfast was biggest ever! Earned $3,400+!
b. Completed sand box projects at the school (working on a tarp solution)
c. Volunteered at Feed My Starving Children
d. End of school BBQ planned for May 19th

e. Moving 2017/2018 school year pancake breakfast to Nov. 11th
f. Looking for ways to be more present in school, Barb Yetzer will meet with her leadership team to brainstorm opportunities
g. Meetings are the last Monday of each month at The Pointe, 8pm. All are welcome!

XI. New Ideas/Other Business
a. Suggest a Fall Open house for families to see the new rock wall and other things the fundraising money went toward. Possibly combine with a Bingo night
b. Suggest giving each incoming Kindergartner (or new student all grades) a Redtail Ridge T-shirt which can be worn on all school days, etc.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, May 2nd, at 6:30 at Redtail Ridge