

**Redtail Ridge PTC Meeting
October 3, 2017**

Jamie Literski called the meeting together at 6:00pm in the art room at Grainwood Elementary School.

1. Welcome

In attendance: Anna Brynteson, Jill Iaria, Tammy Kelsey, Barbara Priebe, Stacy Sabby, Annie Holmberg, Karen Slattery, Jenni Hovde, Michelle Hamilton, Emily Osnes, Whitney Docken, Ryan Lewandowski, Amy Tate, Jamie Literski and Allie Eicher.

2. Message from Vote Yes for Kids Committee

Jonathan Drewes met with our group to speak about the referendum that will be voted upon November 7th. He spoke about a few ways to get involved, communicate with others, and show your support:

- 1) Text VOTEKIDS to 33222 to opt in
- 2) To learn more go to www.voteyesplsas.com
- 3) Host a "neighborhood party" to get the word out and encourage voting and support
- 4) Volunteer on November 4th & 5th by going door to the homes of supporters and reminding them to get out and vote yes. The first 200 participants to help with this opportunity will get a "Love Your Melon" cap.
- 5) Get a sign to put in your yard, starting on November 1st
- 6) Use Social Media – like and share posts about Vote Yes
- 7) If compelled, write a letter to the editor
- 8) Voting can be done by absentee ballot for ease. Absentee ballot applications are available at the District Services Center and Redtail Ridge Elementary.

3. Principal's Update

Mrs. Yetzer spoke briefly about fundraising monies and how the teachers would like to use some of the funds in the classrooms for more flexible seating. Flexible seating ideas include balance/stability balls and tippy stools so that kids have a variety of seating options in the classroom.

4. President/VP Update

- a) 2 open positions for the Fundraising Committee have been filled
- b) The position of Volunteer Coordinator is currently available and looking to be filled.
- c) Teacher Wish Tree is an opportunity for parents to give directly to their teachers/kid's classroom based on needs indicated by the teacher. The teacher wish tree will be coordinated by Stacy Sabby and others who want to help create these trees outside of the classroom. At conference time, parents will see the items needed by the classroom/teacher and can give towards those specific needs. Our goal is to have a wish tree for specialists as well.
- d) We are looking for 1-2 schoolwide sponsored speakers to come to meet with the kids and speak to them on topics such as bullying, internet safety, bravery, and other positive/motivational topics. A few ideas were given such as Kat Perkins who is a motivational speaker, Eva Igo, a local dancer who starred on a hit reality tv show about

dancing, a representative from D.A.R.E, etc. Scott County gives a grant for 2 free presentations per school in the district, per year, put on by Climb Theater.

e) The PTC is hoping to come up with a unique and fun logo for use on t-shirts, marketing, and other PTC items in order to create a representation that people will associate with the Redtail Ridge PTC. Anna Brynteson volunteered to look into this.

5. Treasurer's Update

Currently the PTC has a balance of \$31,304.11

Note - \$25,000 of this balance will be allocated to teachers for classroom needs this year

D.O.G.S. Balance \$5,865.30

6. Fundraising Requests

There were none at this time

7. Fundraising Update

a) Butter Braids – orders are due on October 12, Product distribution is on November 9

NOTE: this is an early release day

b) February 2018 Read-A-Thon

c) Restaurant fundraising will transition to our fundraising committee to coordinate

8. Volunteer Needs

a) BRAVO Coordinator

b) Help with Reading Intervention meeting on October 26 – email sent to volunteers

c) Hearing & Vision Screening on November 2 – Sign Up Genius sent to volunteers

d) Butter Braid Product Distribution on November 9 – Sign Up Genius to volunteers

e) Book Fair & Teacher Conference Dinners - November

9. Upcoming Events/Activities

a) DOGS Tailgating Event on Friday, October 6 at 5:30 at PLHS. Several Redtail Ridge Ridge t-shirts will be handed out on a first come, first served basis.

b) Davanni's Night – Monday, October 16th 4-8pm hosted by Mrs. Picken's 2nd grade class

c) MEA Break – Wednesday, October 18 – Monday, October 24

d) School Board Meeting – Monday, October 9 at 7:00pm at District Services Center

e) Referendum info sessions – Tuesday, October 10 at 7:30pm at PLHS and Thursday, October 12 at 7:00pm at District Services Center

10. DOGS Update

11. New Ideas/Other Business

a) A school directory is underway and parents/guardians have received email reminders to add family/student information online using the link that was sent. Student information is due October 10 in order that these directories can be put together and distributed before early November. Directories and database use is being paid for by the PTC. A \$3 donation is suggested for the hard copy directories.

b) PTC t-shirts are available for those who attend meetings and/or volunteer at school. Stop by the office if you'd like to pick one up.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00pm to attend Dr. Staloch's presentation.

**Next PTC Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 6th at 6:30pm
in the Redtail Ridge Media Center**

Submitted by Allison Eicher on October 4, 2017