

RC Hinsdale PTA
General Membership Meeting
December 6, 2021
RC Hinsdale Library/
Google Meet

Present in person: President Jackie Schlotterbeck, Treasurer Katie Panaro, VP Communications Danielle Reinhart, VP Programs & Events Shauna Duvall, Principal Josh Feldmann, Secretary Stacey Cammack, Stephanie Geiger, Mary Ball, Sarah Eger, Brittany Foster

Present in Google Meet: VP Membership Thelma Post, VP Volunteers Sara Knapke, Sara Thompson, Tiffany Strah, Abby Northrup

Call to Order

Jackie Schlotterbeck called the meeting to order at 7:10pm.

Sign-In & Quorum

Quorum was established. Jackie Schlotterbeck presented September minutes. Katie Panaro made a motion to approve and Danielle Reinhart seconded. Unanimous approval.

Membership Update

Thelma Post had no updates. We have 179 members and we continue to post membership information in the newsletter.

Treasury Items

Katie Panaro presented the November Treasurer's Report and the Profit & Loss by month. The final total for the Monster Dash fundraiser was \$48,815.14. That figure is net after fees but prior to expenses. The \$1800 expense in the Building and Land category is for the new door logo decals. There were no questions regarding the November Treasurer's report. Jackie Schlotterbeck requested that we file the report for audit.

The budget amendment discussion includes increasing the Jingle Benn Blvd. (formerly Candy Cane Corner) from \$5000 to \$8000. That event is not intended to be a fundraiser. Other notable items are to increase Fundraising to \$49,000 (rounded to actual), Spirit Wear to be decreased to \$1750 (as we do not expect to profit) and update Spring Carnival to \$0 (will not be held this year). On the expense side it is suggested that we increase the bank service fee budget to \$550. We will not switch banks right now because fees are currently aligning with the previous years based on the many transactions. We will revisit this at a later date. It is suggested that we increase Curriculum Enhancements to \$22,000 to accommodate the purchase of the book vending machine as well as stocking the machine. There is no expense needed for Veteran's Day this year. The newline items are Reading Program, Fundraising Expenses (this year it was included in Student and Family Events), Gym Equipment and Health and Wellness. Mr. Feldmann requested that we purchase smart TVs for the cafeteria to allow for an entertainment aspect in that space. The TVs will be utilized for things such as a holiday show for a classroom or pod, entertainment for indoor recess, student presentations, concerts, drama productions,

etc.). It will provide a space outside of the pod for educational advancement. Mr. Feldmann stated that he understands the concerns regarding screentime. Sara Thompson made a motion to approve a budget line item for student entertainment in the amount of \$4000. Thelma Post with a second. Unanimous approval. Also, Start Up Funds was previously not a budget line item. We need this line item so that we have the ability to spend money and pay expenses after the fiscal year ends and up to the time the new budget is approved in the fall.

Recap of Events/Items

Jackie Schlotterbeck reviewed events and programs to date. We have hosted Popsicles with Principal, Kona Ice for Kentucky Kid's Day, Monster Dash, purchased the Journeys curriculum enhancement, hosted a school-wide pizza party, provided Mrs. King's class with a sundae bar for winning the membership drive, upcoming author Leigh Anne Florence presentation and we purchases gaga pits (one 26 ft and one 20 ft).

Programs & Events

Shauna Duvall announced that the Jingle Bell Blvd event is on December 16th. We will have shopping but no wrapping this year. Next Monday all students will get a flyer regarding the event and a shopping list that adults can complete with names and budgets for easier shopping. We do hope to host a talent show in the spring, a basket raffle and a school dance. Decisions will be made depending on Covid restrictions. Spring Carnival will likely be moved to next school year. We are still in need of a carnival chairperson.

Holiday Parties

Sara Knapke has communicated with all pod parents and planning is underway. We are permitted to have up to two parents per class (or 8 per pod) in the building. This will include the pod parent. There are spots still available for Jingle Bell Blvd volunteers in the Signup Genius. A background check is required.

Spirit Wear

Stephanie Geiger informed us that spirit wear is in and most has been delivered. After 12 months the vendor will total up the sales and we will receive a portion of the proceeds. The percentage will be confirmed with the vendor.

Communications

Danielle Reinhart reported that the new website is live today. www.rchpta.com Currently the minutes are in the "about" section and the calendar included lunch menus and the school calendar. We will add more to the website. Thank you to Jasmine Akers for creating our website.

Stacey Cammack presented information regarding the Bookworm Vending Machine. The cost depends on the layout and customization that we select. Mrs. Harmon has agreed to set aside some of her Scholastic funds to assist in stocking the machine on an ongoing basis.

Adjournment

Danielle Reinhart made a motion to adjourn. Katie Panaro with a second. Unanimous approval. The meeting adjourned at 7:48pm.