



PSO February 6, 2024 Meeting Minutes
Meeting at Rockwood Valley – 9:30 am

In attendance

Jenifer Robertson, April Ladner, Annie Miller, Jennifer Adams, Priscilla Schandler, Jennifer Zeck, Jenny Arbuszewski, Jessica Brown, Stephanie Stempf, Laycie Norris-Wagner, Dr. Hedrick

Introductions

Minutes

January draft meeting minutes reviewed – motion was made to approve minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

President’s Report – Jenifer Robertson

- **Presidents Forum** – Jen attended the January meeting. Prop 3 projects will start Summer 2025. Rose award nominees have been announced. School Board election is April 2nd - League of Women Voters will have a “Meet the Candidate” event. Website training is ongoing and for the RSD website for the PTO section – RVMS’s portion is up and running. Next PF meeting is next week at Kellison Elementary.

Principal’s Report – Dr. Hedrick

- **Thank You!** – Thanks to PSO for funds to support Wellness Day – students had fun in the sessions and they were very interactive. Goal next year will be to start the morning with an assembly to introduce the idea of having an “outlet” and then having choices of the sessions to try. Board discussed including Wellness Day in the budget for next year.
- **STL Spirit Day** – Today is a spirit day for 6th graders. Teachers and students were welcome to wear STL items and have several speakers coming in today.
- **7th Grade Field Trip** – Field trip to Challenger – dates were moved from fall to spring and buses cannot arrive at RVMS until 9:15 am, which eliminates one session from the day. Administration and teachers are looking into alternatives (including, in school educational opportunities and Babler).
- **Dragon** – “Name the Dragon” contest will have an emphasis on fun rather than fundraising. Proceeds from t-shirt sales will offset expense of dragon – Mr. Mullen has sketches of the dragon which could be used for a t-shirt design. Week of March 11-15th, teams will have a contest to get to name the dragon, with an assembly on Friday. Balance due to Mr. Mullen is about \$1,700. Jen R. will look into t-shirt vendors.

Counselor’s Report – Stacey Scott

- **Registration for 2024-25** – All 3 elementary schools visited and all information sent out. 5th grade recommendations going out this week. 8th graders are struggling with the idea of trying to plan the whole high school career. Stacey is trying encourage that it’s ok to leave things blank and it’s ok to go back in and change preferences. Summer school information will be out later in the spring (there is not currently an option to include in the Academic Plan)
- **RVMS Social Worker** – New social worker is Julia Solter and link in newsletter will be updated.

Treasurer’s Report – January activity reviewed (see Treasurer’s report). Grant meeting was held yesterday and some items are school improvement related. Motion to approve \$1,300 of the School Improvement Fund for certain grant items including weight room, mural, International Day, and transportation for 8th grade career day was made by Laycie. Motion was seconded by Jess Brown. Motion carried.



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Vice President’s Reports:

School Community – April Ladner – Student celebrations – SOTM going well with donuts. KORT is coming up in March 6th and 7th – donuts will be provided for the 7th and 8th grade celebration for parents and students. 6th grade evening celebration will have cookies. Conference dinners March 27th and 29th – signups are available (will promote more after Valentine’s gift card signup closes). Supplies are in good shape (extra water in the closet). Valentine gift card raffle will take place in the week leading up to Valentine’s day and hoping for more gift cards to be donated for staff raffle. January staff appreciation hot chocolate bar went well. Supplies needed for staff birthdays treat bags (given on the actual birthdays).

Communications – Jess Brown – Still need a replacement for Martha Cyzmmeck who will be rolling off the board at the end of this year (there was some interest, but no replacement yet). Will be promoting upcoming dragon contest.

Fundraising – Devon Bussen – Dine to Donate – next one will be February on the 13th at El Maguey – 15% proceeds. March will be 5 Guys in Ellisville (probably 1st week of March). April will be Chipotle. FACS kits chair for next year will be Vanessa Vandergraaf. School Supply Kits lists for next year will be ready by Feb 15th. **School Store** – Volunteers going well. **Fun Food Friday** – date will be moved to May 17th (to avoid conflicting with the 8th grade field trip to Six Flags).

School Events - Stephanie Stempf – Trivia Night – March 8th, 8 rounds, will begin to work on questions. Rounds were divided up for writing questions / answers. Annie Miller will work on the Powerpoint / Google Slides for the presentation. Soliciting donations for prizes. Email questions to Annie and copy Laura. Social media posts coming, signup is open and links are included in MTK and the newsletter, flyers will be posted by StuCo. in the school. **8th Grade Farewell** still needs a chair. **Rising of the Knights** (formerly Fun Run) - community building event for incoming 6th graders and rising 7th and 8th graders, after spring break. Looking at an open-house style after school event (all outside, weather permitting). Scheduled for Friday, April 12th.

Service Projects – Jenny Arbuszewski – Grant meeting took place yesterday – Jenny summarized grant requests (awards included 15 for fall semester, for 14 spring semester). Colleen Polling will stay on and Jen Bierman will also help. Prize patrol will visit teachers on Monday. Bylaws will be reviewed in April. Board slate will be presented in March.

New Business

- None

Questions?

- None

Meeting adjourned.

Calendar for PSO Meetings

Next meeting on Tuesday, March 5th - 9:30 am RVMS Conference Room