



## PTO Meeting

### Meeting information:

**Date:** January 10, 2019  
**Time:** 7:30PM  
**Location:** Library

#### Attendance:

Ratna Craig- President  
Melissa Adams - Vice President  
Sophia Ford – Co-Treasurer  
Sam Eveland – Co-Treasurer  
Mindy Haas – Secretary  
Jenn Dieken-Buchek- Principal  
Connie Binder - Teacher Representative  
Total Members in attendance: 11

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### AGENDA:

#### 1. Approval of November 2018 Meeting Minutes, Mindy Haas, Secretary

- Motion to approve November 2018 minutes by Mindy Haas, second by Ratna Craig. Minutes approved.

#### 2. Principal's Report, Jenn Dieken-Buchek, Principal

- Kindergarten registration is on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Spread the word! It will be very helpful to know how many sections we need in May and not right before school starts.
- What Prop S is doing for Mason Ridge – more abatement and hallways/main office will receive new carpet. The building will be closed this summer.

#### 3. Teacher's Report, Connie Binder, Teacher Representative

- The teachers have been more willing to make requests for their classrooms through the PTO financial review. To date, all of the financial review requests have been approved this year.
- Trying to get a count for how many teachers will attend Mason Ridge Live.
- Left Hand Books setup an Author visit on Valentine's Day for K-2 free of charge.
- Teachers are working on their auction experiences. The 1<sup>st</sup> grade will be having a pizza/movie night.

#### 4. Treasurer Report, Sophia Ford, Treasurer

- Budget has changed due to our fundraising this year. Total income is forecasted at \$48,000. Total expenses are coming in higher due to a few unexpected expenses like Dreambox.



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- Currently at \$26,089 for Mighty Mustang fund and corporate match. This is lower than originally budgeted. We are anticipating a loss on Escrip and Amazon Smile this year.
- We have forecasted a \$11,500 loss this year. Going into Trivia Night with a more conservative budget.

### **5. PTO Capital Improvements, Ratna Craig**

- Gym Floor Replacement
  - Parkway-Rockwood Community Education paying for replacement.
  - Design & Blueprints are complete with PE Teachers inputs.
  - Bid requests to be sent out by end of January.
- Survey to be sent to all families and staff members in the next 4 weeks to identify other significant projects for using our current funding surplus.
- \$36,000-\$38,000 that we would like to spend this year.
- Short list – replacing the mulch playground with a rubberized surface, covered area outside near the gym, and noise cancelling system in the library.
- Overall goal is to find a onetime project that touches all of our students. The common spaces – gym, library, music, art, etc.
- Mrs. Binder mentioned adding more tables and umbrellas to the courtyard so more classes can comfortably utilize that space.
- Ratna needs help with donations for the Trivia Night. Brian and Zenia May are chairing the event. We need more judges as well.

### **6. Upcoming Events, Ratna Craig**

- 1/17 – Spirit Night at Chick-Fil-A in Des Peres
- 1/19 – Mason Ridge Live at Logan College
- 1/21 – Ice Skating Party at Queeny Park
- 2/14 – Valentine’s Day parties and service project
- 2/18 – Ultimate Ninja open gym for Mason Ridge from 10am-12:30pm.
- 2/19-21 – Science Fair
- 3/2 – Mason Ridge Trivia Night at Whitfield School

### **7. Next meeting**

- March 14, 2019 at 7:00pm in the Ramsey Center.
- Motion to close meeting by Ratna Craig. Second by Melissa Adams. Meeting is closed.