

# ROYAL PRIDE PTO MEETING MINUTES

## FRIDAY, January 17, 2025

### **ATTENDEES:**

Charron Wright  
Becky Gerig  
Rachel Anderson  
Jennifer Low  
Abby Howe  
Mindy Bryan  
Rachael Barry  
Tamara Bove  
Mr. Simmons

The meeting was called to order at 9:07 AM

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Approved meeting minutes: Charron Wright motioned to approve; Mindy Bryan seconded.

### **MISC:**

Ms. Brown may need help with a cash prize for Blue Crew golf putt challenge at Pink night on 1/17. If there is a winner HSEHS will reimburse PTO.

Charron would like to order linen table clothes that are labeled Royal Pride PTO.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Rachel Anderson and Charron Wright-

- CheddarUp for December staff lunch - collected \$3,195 in total (\$2,695 on site + \$500 check)
- WIDA Testing Snacks purchased - total of \$395.44
- SAT Prep Snacks purchased \$77.70 (candy), will also donate popcorn 3 other times
- Ed Puzzle invoice was received totaling \$3,930.40
- HSEF auction basket items purchased including \$60.95 (alcohol) + \$12.28 (baskets) + \$163.20 (Fan Stand items) = \$236.43 (with additional items donated from Athletics and RVC the basket's total value is \$743)
- Course Fair/8th Grade Night give aways - \$52.73 (candy)
- Waiting on a \$100 reimbursement check from school to cover a retirement gift card Paige Vinson purchased (the school will reimburse PTO)

Current accounts:

Checking \$13, 979.45

Savings \$108, 934.62

### **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:**

Course Fair was 1/16 and it was well attended. Feedback from parents was appreciation for the information. The HSEHS students were very engaging and spoke about the programs that are offered here. The incoming freshman class is predicted to be large and slightly bigger than FHS' freshman class. Charron mentioned that there were questions that incoming students/parents needed answered by counselors. The counselors were present, but there was not enough signage for parents to locate the counselors. Mr. Simmons also noted that they needed to direct parents to enter the auditorium at 6pm for the program. The auditorium was packed and people had to stand because it was so full. Rachel Barry mentioned families came to concessions for dinner, with athletics going on at the same time. Charron also mentioned that people were looking for the Fan Stand. Need better signage to direct people to the Fan Stand since it was off the main pathway of booths. Gave out over 500 course guides.

Steve Loser gave a presentation on the Network model. This is now on the district website. This network model was initiated 3 years ago when HSE was working with Ford NGL.

Royal Connections is the 8<sup>th</sup> grade visit on 1/30 and 1/31. Freshman administrator, Steve Guenin, is leading this. There will be a student leadership team that will help the students navigate around the school.

School Improvement Plan (SIP) - The SIP Committee is still working on this and they will submit our plan to the state. This is a living and breathing document; it is not created and then shelved. Continuing conversations about goals including improved SAT scores, attendance, and graduation rate. Graduation audit completed last year. We have negative consequences if we do not hear back from students who's graduation records are not known (left HSE for homeschool, FOCUS program, etc). We are working through these internal processes. Using the Learning Lab for early intervention with students who are struggling. Chick fil a gift cards are given by counselors to at-risk students to incentivize attendance.

Fishers Youth Assistance Program and Youth Mentoring Initiative will be merging.

Charron asked about the Top Golf idea for end of year staff event. Mr. Simmons reports that is not longer being entertained. Staff Appreciation can continue their regular plans. Mrs. Simmons

reported that the admin meeting did not occur due to staff illness. Will meet this afternoon instead.

Charron stated that proceeds from the Mudsock basketball (food, parking, ticket sales) was split three ways between HSE/FHS/Event Center. Athletics signed a one year contract. Some feedback that was given: no free admission for staff, players enjoyed playing in the big arena, some did not love the environment and felt the school spirit was not there. Athletics said 5,800 tickets were sold and that is more than what either FHS or HSEHS can hold. Waiting to find out how much Athletics made from the event. Charron reported that the FHS PTO president is also concerned about losing concessions income from having the event at the Event Center.

HSE Foundation Legacy Celebration -2 tickets were given directly to the Principal and Associate Principal.

### **HSEF Legacy Celebration**

- Friday 2/21 from 5:30-10pm at the Fishers Event Center
- Food, floor seating, and comedian Jeff Foxworthy
- 21 and over event
- Principal and Assistant Principal will be sent a separate email to claim their tickets
- PTO has 6 tickets - Charron, Becky and Rachael will take 4 tickets, have 2 left to give away
- Silent Auction basket due by 1/24/25
- Silent Auction Baskets contains:
  - **“Cheers, Royals!”** - Crown Royal whiskey, Skyy Vodka, Schmitt Sohne Riesling, Barefoot Fruitscato Blueberry, and (4) Royals wine glasses - \$119 value
  - **“Royals, Royals, Royals”** - Men’s Nike running 1/4 zip, (2) HSE ATHLETICS t-shirts, Men’s golf polo, RVC large utility tote bag, Royals beanie, (2) drawstring bags, metal water bottle, metal tumbler, (2) coffee cups, Royals blanket, golf umbrella, (2) stadium seats, (2) Royals Crocs Jibbitz Charms, Royals flag, and (2) All-Sports Passes - \$624 value
  - **“Senior Perks Package”** (for 2025-2026)— VIP Student Parking Pass, (2) Prom tickets, a yearbook, (1) Student All-Sports Pass, reserved seating at graduation - \$245 value

### **REQUISITIONS:**

None

## **CONCESSIONS:**

Rachael Barry -

Donkey Basketball is Jan 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. FFA will supply volunteers and sell pork burgers. Paying them \$500 + the proceeds from the pork burgers for the night.

There will now be a huge basketball tournament (not related to HSE basketball) over spring break. Need volunteers - April 3-5

Track meet dates for elementary, intermediate and junior high dates are now known. Will ask if groups want to volunteer for these events.

SAT Prep popcorn dates: Jan 23, Feb 6, Feb 20 - 120 bags, Prep class starts at 1:15pm, start popping by 11am, Café D is meeting location

Band has asked for popcorn donation for color guard event. We will donate the popcorn, oil, and salt.

## **STAFF APPRECIATION:**

Becky Gerig -

December - Pearl Street holiday lunch Dec 20<sup>th</sup> - date chosen by admin. Ordered the same amount of food, offered to-go boxes for the first time, ran out of chicken, pretzels, and meatballs early on. Only had a small amount of food left. Will need to increase food amount if continuing to offer to-go containers. Lots of good feedback for to-go containers, especially initially, but negative feedback for running out of food.

We have a plan for the remainder of the year, but are waiting on school approval. Were supposed to hear after admin meeting on 1/15, but that meeting was pushed back to 1/17.

Jan - hot chocolate bar

Feb - dessert cart

March - March Madness prize winners

April- still working on this

May - Staff Appreciation Week May 5-9 - Planning something for each day - breakfast sandwiches, Fan Stand gear give away, Chuy's chips and salsa, Ale Emporium lunch maybe

## **BEAUTIFICATION:**

Charron Wright and Jen Low - nothing to report

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Charron Wright -

- WIDA Testing Snacks (ENL students) - \$395.44
  - 200 students take 4 tests over a 6 week period
  - Testing begins the 2nd full week of January
  - Bought:
    - (10) 80-ct. cases of small water bottles
    - (4) 30-ct. boxes of Veggie Straws
    - (3) 50-ct. boxes of Ruffles potato chips
    - (2) 50-ct. boxes of Ruffles Cheddar & Sour Cream chips
    - (2) 50-ct. boxes of Fritos
    - (3) 50-ct. boxes of Doritos
    - (4) 45-ct. boxes of Cheez-Its
    - 800 snacks and 800 waters in total
- SAT Prep Snacks - \$77.70
  - 120 juniors, 5 sessions, Pathways A from 1:37-2:16pm, Cafe D
  - Dates are 1/16, 1/23, 2/6, 2/20, 2/28
  - Candy for 1/16 and 2/28
    - Bought 2 big bags of fun-sized Sour Patch Kids and 2 big bags of assorted chocolate/Skittles mix
  - Popcorn for 1/23, 2/6 and 2/20
- SAT Snacks
  - March 6th
  - 800 students
  - Will use any leftover PSAT and WIDA snacks + buy new

Charron contacted David Young to see if he can create an updated logo and letterhead for Royal Pride PTO

Will ask for a requisition form to be filled out for the Ed Puzzle and Quill.org.

Next meeting Feb 21, 2025

Remaining meetings for the year:

March 21, 2025

April 18, 2025

May 9, 2025 – new date

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Meeting adjourned at 10:42 AM.