

## PTA Meeting Minutes: May 14, 2018

- I. Welcome and President's Report: Liz Czarnik
  - a. This is our last public meeting of the year. Outgoing and incoming board will have a transition meeting in June.
  - b. PTA Council
    - i. There is a large turnover of PTA Council board.
      1. Looking for a new PTA council president.
      2. Interested in seeing new faces at the meetings as well.
    - ii. Scholarships
      1. There was a greater number of applicants this year with 32 kids applying!
      2. Council awarded eight \$500 scholarships.
      3. The Royal Oak Schools Foundation awarded two additional \$500 scholarships.
    - iii. Construction started at ROHS athletic complex.
- II. Treasurer's Report: Leslie Eyster
  - a. No deposits made in April so \$0 income.
  - b. The Red, White & Blue Day line item added back into the budget at \$200.
  - c. Three people needed to audit the budget in August.
    - i. Tiffany Vosburg, Jeanne Winterburn and JoAnne Graham volunteered.
  - d. Labels for Education program ended.
    - i. We received \$650 in Visa gift cards with a March 2019 expiration date.
    - ii. Ideas on how to use?
  - e. Reimbursements
    - i. Books close July 31 but want to have everything settled in June so checks have time to clear.
- III. Principal's Report: Jason Parrott
  - a. We're in the midst of testing.
  - b. There will not be a flyover for RWB Day. We were approved but there aren't crews available for Friday.
  - c. AdvancED will be visiting this week, spending 3 10-hour days at the school as part of the best practices review for accreditation.
- IV. Teacher Representatives: Lois Mann and Gail Granett
  - a. Thank you for Teacher Appreciation Week.
  - b. Student Senate update
    - i. \$968 raised at the staff vs. student basketball game. That money will go to the Boys & Girls Club and Siegal Foundation.
    - ii. Oak Ridge Has Talent coming up 5/18.
    - iii. The plant sale raised between \$600 and \$700 for the Oak Ridge scholarships.
  - c. Rachel Forsyth
    - i. STEM money update
      1. Six OR students presented at the board meeting on the robots and how they're being used.
      2. There is still money available but Rachel will get feedback from the other teachers before making additional purchases.
    - ii. RO Schools Foundation
      1. Used to give mini-grants but now focuses on endowments.

2. Teachers encouraged to develop proposals on how to spend \$5,000 to enrich their curriculum.
3. Organization helped fund the new auditorium seats at ROHS and helps fund the jump start band program for 5<sup>th</sup> graders.
4. Holding a golf outing fundraiser on 6/25 at Red Run. Golfers, sponsorships and banquet-only tickets available.

V. School Board Liaison: Jeff Brinker

- a. STEM Board presentation by the 5<sup>th</sup> graders was engaging and really good to see.
- b. Budget update
  - i. We're 1:1 as a district between devices and students. We're a little below that at the HS and a little above at the elementary level.
  - ii. Waiting for Michigan to release the 2018–2019 school year revenue plan. While everyone has a different plan on how to finance, all proposed plans have an increase in funding.
- c. ROHS pool will be ready in August.
- d. Contract negotiations
  - i. 2018 – 2019 calendar not yet determined to due the negotiations.
  - ii. Based on the Oakland County calendar though.
  - iii. Hopefully will be released sooner than later. The economic part is harder than the calendar part.
  - iv. We know that RO will not file a waiver to start before Labor Day.

VI. Committee Reports/Announcements

- a. Allergy awareness
  - i. Held this week. Thursday is “Wear teal for allergy awareness” day.
  - ii. OR has the district’s largest collection of allergy awareness books in our media center.
- b. Skate World
  - i. The third event is 100% profit for us due to doing so well at the two previous Skate World nights.
  - ii. May 17 from 6:15–8:15 p.m. Bring cash! Siblings are welcome.
- c. School picnic
  - i. Desperately in need of new committee chairs, but we have some new people shadowing this year’s planning, which is wonderful!
  - ii. Sign Up Genius is out already. Please volunteer to help.
- d. School garden
  - i. All the beds except 1 are replaced w/ recycled materials.
  - ii. First grade Daisy troop will help.
  - iii. Goal is to put more items planted this year to have a harvest in August or September.
  - iv. Watering schedule will come out at the middle or end of May.
  - v. Can we improve the faucet by the latchkey doors?
    1. Dr. Parrott didn’t know about the issue and will get it taken care of.
- e. Mother/Son event
  - i. Thank you to Dr. Parrott for helping us with the venue change!
  - ii. Event went really well. Thanks to all who helped.

VII. Old business

- a. Committee chairperson vacancies.

- b. Slowly filling up.
  - i. Still need Unplugged Week (co-chair), Grounds, Cultural Arts and Teacher Appreciation.

VIII. New business

- a. Voting in officers beginning 2018–2019 school year.
  - i. Rachel Forsyth made motion to approve board as listed.
  - ii. Becky Bibbs seconded.
  - iii. Motion passed.

IX. Communication

- a. Check out our PTA website at [www.ptaoakridge.com](http://www.ptaoakridge.com)
- b. Oak Ridge Facebook page: Oak Ridge PTA
- c. PTA newsletter online

X. Meeting Adjourned: Next meeting will be in September 2018. Free childcare!