

Rand Road PTA Minutes  
April 24, 2024 – 6:00PM  
Rand Road Media Center & Google Meet

Call to order: 6:05 PM motion to call to order made by Meghan Luzader 2nd made by Jamie Endres, all approved

In-Person:

Amanda Griffin (PTA President), Jeff Peeler (Vice President), Ashley Cox (PTA Secretary), Hannah Webb, Tammy Carey, Dawn Carroll, Jamie Endres, Meghan Luzader, Kristen Kudenov, Chandra Banner, Elizabeth Edwards, Stephanie Ninich

Virtual:

Yanya Huddleston, Elizabeth Coates, Sara Holmes, Monte Moss, Georgette D'Andraia, Mike Williamson

Approval of last meeting's minutes (March 13, 2024): A motion was made by Meghan Luzader; Jamie Endres seconded. All approved; no one was opposed.

### **Treasurer's Update**

#### **March**

March's starting balance was \$14,356.39 and the ending balance was \$17,983.91. Credits for the month were Book Fair, No Fuss fundraisers (Little Details, Wines for Humanity, Lowes Foods). Debits were for the Book Fair, Teachers of the Year, and a new fish tank for school improvement.

#### **Budget Updates**

We need to vote to raise the Spring Carnival budget from \$1000 to \$1500 because the budget based on last year didn't allow enough to cover expenditures. We will be using the money that we received from the No-Fuss fundraisers that came in last month. A motion was made by Jamie Endres and seconded by Meghan Luzader. All approved; no one opposed.

#### **2024-2025 Elections**

If you are interested in running for a RRES PTA Board position, please email [randroadpta@ymail.com](mailto:randroadpta@ymail.com) and a job description can be provided to you. The nominations are due by the May meeting with the elections in June. We have job descriptions available. You must complete an application to run for that position and turn that in by the next PTA meeting on May 15.

We have 1 known vacancy - Treasurer - Samantha is moving to a new school next year.

The Nominations Committee will meet and discuss the applications to recommend nominees for the 4 board positions.

Meghan Luzader - Who will be on the nominations committee? NCPTA says there must be 2 people that are currently in a PTA office and 2 other people. The members are Ashley Cox (current PTA Secretary), Jeff Peeler (current PTA Vice-President), Dawn Carroll, and Sara Holmes. The person that is elected will have to sign a contract to say that they will attend 75% of the meetings (can be virtual attendance) and also 75% of the events we sponsor as well as uphold the duties of their job. It gives accountability to what is expected of a person in an individual position and that they are available for the level of commitment.

Meghan Luzader - can a person that is not selected by the nominations committee still run for the position by nominating themselves from the floor? Yes, if the nominations committee does not select a person to be on the recommended slate of candidates, that person can still put their name as a candidate from the floor. Dawn Carroll - can a person nominate themselves from the floor without looking at the position descriptions? Yes but we would ask some questions of them at the meeting before the election.

### **Little Caesars Pizza Kit Fundraiser**

Our fundraiser ends today, April 24, to raise money for Teacher Appreciation Week. We earn \$6 for every kit sold. There is direct delivery to your buyers' front door. Our current profit is: \$156

This fundraiser was a bust this year. The cost was higher than expected for the kits and the shipping was super high. The customer service from the company was terrible and parents had a hard time if they were registering more than one student.

Mr. Bethel's class won the pizza party and J Cox won the carnival wristband.

### **Spring Carnival**

The event is scheduled for May 4, 2024. We need volunteers to make this event a success! We are 12 volunteers short for leading games for the 2nd shift of the event. PLEASE sign up to help us!

- Carnival Coordinator - **Amanda Griffin**
- Volunteer Coordinator - **Meghan and Jordan Luzader**
- Ticket Sales - **Ashley Cox**

Go buy your wristbands and tickets now! Buy tickets early to save! Wristbands are to be able to play all games and earn prizes. Advance raffle tickets are 12 for \$10 or 25 for \$20. Wristbands get unlimited use of inflatables and games, a glitter tattoo booth, and prizes when 15 games are completed!

We will have over 40 raffle items, Food Trucks, fire department and family games as well!

If your teacher hasn't reminded you about the teacher raffle baskets, reach out to them to see what is still needed.

Randy Ray is even going to make an appearance! Rain plan is to have all games down the 2 hallways and only 1 inflatable set-up in the gym.

Elizabeth Edwards - does every kid need a wristband to play? Kids 2 and under are free to play.

### **Yearbook - Dawn Carroll**

Order forms will be going home this week. The price is \$15.

Please use the links sent out earlier this week to send pictures to Dawn if you have any from events we've had this year.

### **Teachers Appreciation Week**

The dates for this year have changed to May 20-24, 2024 due to multiple field trips earlier in the month and we are doing a Taylor Swift Theme. Each day is going to be something different:

- Breakfast Bar – Theme: Breakfast before you SPEAK NOW - Amanda has reached out to State Farm Agent Matt Davis and they want to help sponsor a breakfast!
- Soda Bar – Theme: To help with those late MIDNIGHTS - Amanda has reached out to Soda Box to see if they could donate sodas but hasn't heard back. If anyone has any connections, please let us know.
- Classroom supplies – Theme: You give Rand a great REPUTATION
- Baked Potato & salad – Theme: Because you're FEARLESS -Cleveland Draft House and Longhorn Helped last year.
- Taylor Swift Day – Theme: DEBUT as a Swiftie -
  - "You make the whole school SHIMMER" banner
  - "Red" velvet cupcakes
  - "Eversmores"
  - Friendship bracelets
  - Decal stickers
  - Red heart sunglasses

We will send out the signup genius to help with snacks for the week later. It is not the same week as National Teacher Appreciation Week because all grades have field trips that week so we are doing it another week so that all teachers will be able to be here and participate.

### **Principal's Report**

We were able to get some movement on the volleyball court construction. Thank you to the PTA for helping get that covered. There was a delay because WCPSS had to repave the blacktop first and then denied covering the installation of the poles. We have been looking for a contractor that would be approved for installing the posts. Kristen Kudenov - will the court be concrete? No, it was resurfaced.

You will be getting a message from Ms. Carey tomorrow night about report cards coming home Friday. You will also be getting a larger envelope with a county-wide school improvement survey that needs to be completed and returned to the school. Send that back in at the same time as your

signed report card envelope.

It's almost time for Book Blast again! We weren't sure last year if it would be good but it was really fun for the students. Just signing up and providing email addresses gave you 3 really good prizes. And the books were good quality books provided to all students in the school. The Book Blast is May 14-24. They will have them back in time for the summer track out. The good thing is there's not a lot of work from the school end. Hannah Webb - do they change the books each year? Yes they should change every year. Ms. Carey will double check in her next meeting with them. A teacher can request for off grade-level books if your student is reading at a different grade level.

Things we didn't cover earlier:

Jamie Endres' girl scout troop will be working on updating the butterfly garden and putting in a Buddy Bench on the playground by either installing a new one or revamping an existing one. We also have an Eagle Scout that wants to update the outdoor classroom and possibly put in a gaga-ball pit. Another Eagle Scout wants to do other projects on campus.

### **Other Fundraising Options**

- Link your Harris Teeter VIP card and also Lowes Food rewards card
- Spirit Wear store - LOTS of options, we earn 10% of every order. WE are having a big spring sale right now with 25% off all items and each student gets a \$10 voucher to use towards purchasing as well that you can apply.
- Rent the Rock - \$25 per week - can go to our website to rent it for birthdays, celebrations, shoutouts, positive messages, etc.

### **Upcoming Dates & Reminders**

PTA General Meeting - 4/24  
Last Day of Little Caesars sale - 4/24  
School Spring Pictures - 5/2  
Spring Carnival - 5/4  
Book Blast Starts - 5/14  
PTA General Meeting - 5/15  
5th Grade Field Trip - 5/16-5/17  
School Beautification - 5/18  
Girls on the Run 5K - 5/18  
Teacher Appreciation Week - 5/20-5/24  
Memorial Day - 5/27  
Last PTA Meeting of the year/PTA Elections - 6/12  
5th Grade Moving Up Ceremony - 6/26  
Last Day of School - 6/26

**Don't forget to volunteer if you haven't already!**

### **Open Floor**

Girls on the Run 5K will be May 18 and has girls from 3rd-5th grades from RRES.

Ms. Carey - We've done it at other schools and maybe we can do it here, a Muffins with Mom and Doughnuts with Dad, etc. Maybe offer it in the cafeteria. This is something we can talk about. We would probably do this by grade level. The school might need help from the PTA with funding refreshments.

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 6:46 PM; Jamie Endres motioned to adjourn, and Maghan Luzader seconded.

ADDENDUM TO EARLIER MINUTES: PTA Treasurer, Samantha Lunsford submitted a resignation to the remainder of the PTA Board on Wednesday, April 24, 2024.. President Amanda Griffin called a PTA Board virtual meeting to meet on Saturday, April 27, 2024. In attendance were President Amanda Griffin, Vice-President Jeff Peeler, Secretary Ashley Cox, Member-at-Large Sara Holmes, Member-at-Large Dawn Carroll and Principal Tammy Carey. All members voted to approve an interim treasurer of Kristen Kudenov for the remainder of the school year.