

Rand Road PTA Minutes
March 13, 2024 – 6:00PM
Rand Road Media Center & Google Meet

Call to order: 6:06 PM motion to call to order made by Jamie Endres 2nd made by Sara Holmes, all approved

In-Person:

Amanda Griffin (PTA President), Jeff Peeler (Vice President), Ashley Cox (PTA Secretary), Sara Holmes, Hannah Webb, Tammy Carey, Monte Moss, Dawn Carroll, Jamie Endres, Shari Zirkle

Virtual:

Meghan Luzader, Kristen Kudenov, Yanya Huddleston, Alys McCoy, Kimberly Williams, Elizabeth Coates, Chandra Banner

Approval of last meeting's minutes (February 7, 2024): A motion was made by Sara Holmes; Hannah Webb seconded. All approved; no one was opposed.

Treasurer's Update

February

February's starting balance was \$14,475.61 and the ending balance was \$14,356.39. Credits for the month were Glow Grams, Glow Party and Rent the Rock proceeds.. Debits were for the mascot costume and the Glow Party.

Budget Updates

We still have some money in our school improvement budget so we're going to use some of these funds to improve the garden.

The Mascot costume has arrived! We're hoping he can make his debut the last week of school before track out.

Glow Night

Huge thanks to Chair Meghan Luzader and all the volunteers who put this event together. It was so much fun! We made \$50 off of merchandise sold and received a \$100 donation from Jolly's Food Truck. Is there any feedback?

We might want to get 2 food trucks next year to help with the speed of service.

Book Fair

Thank you to ALL the volunteers who took time out of their week to help the book fair! Our sales were around \$11,000. We're not yet sure of what our school profited from it. All the profit goes towards Ms. Tronic and the library to replace worn out books or buy new ones. We raised over \$200 for the book fair and only used \$170 so we have surplus to carry over to next year. Thank you to everyone that helped!

Updates:

Spirit Night at Chick-Fil-A on March 5

We had a great turn out and it was so fun to see everyone. We made a profit of \$176. This was disappointing for how much work went into that night. We are going to potentially look at another location for another one of these next school year.

2024-2025 Elections

The Nominations Committee will recommend nominees for 4 board positions. If you are interested in running for a position, please email randroadpta@gmail.com and a job description can be provided to you. The nominations are due by the May meeting with the elections in June. We will have job descriptions available at the April meeting.

We have 1 known vacancy - Treasurer - Samantha is moving to a new school next year. It seems daunting but there is help. We are looking for someone who is very organized and possibly has accounting experience. We have lots of people that can help that have done the job before.

Little Caesars Pizza Kit Fundraiser

Coming soon we will be doing this fundraiser again this year. We are running a fundraiser from March 25-April 24 to raise money for Teacher Appreciation Week. We need your help to make this happen. Stay tuned on how you can join in on the fun! We earn \$6 for every kit sold. There is direct delivery to your buyers' front door. Something fun to do over track out. You get pizza sauce, dough, toppings all delivered to you. We will send out information about the last week of school before track out.

Spring Carnival

The event is scheduled for May 4, 2024. We need volunteers to chair the various areas.

- Volunteer Coordinator - Organize name tags and volunteer check in, send assignments and instructions - make sign in an easier process - A lot of last year's volunteers have agreed to help again this year. If you have contacts with clubs, groups, etc. send them the signup genius link to sign up. We can give them volunteer hour credit. **THIS IS OUR BIGGEST NEED.**
- Games - Organize layout of games. Kristen Kudenov is making several homemade games.
- Raffles - Help reach out to local/national businesses for raffle items
 - Create ticket process for raffle
 - Organize raffles day of and help with prize distribution
- Prize Coordinator - Help with purchase/organization of prizes and redemption process.
- Ticket Sales - Ashley Cox

All hands on deck. This event is not just limited to Rand Rd. If you have a church group or other group, they are available to volunteer because it's an after hours event. - Elizabeth Edwards will come collect and wrap baskets again. Georgette D'Andraia is donating a table top pool table - let us know if you can come up with a game idea for this!

Teachers have already signed up for their raffle baskets. Letters will be coming home next week so you will know what the theme is for your classroom with suggestions for what to go into the basket.

Teachers are also signing up for their teacher experience raffle. Each student will get 2 tickets for these.

Tickets prices will be the same as last year - \$10 for wristband for all. WE have a new basketball inflatable this year.

Please email the PTA if you can help us with any of these areas.

Teachers Appreciation Week

The dates for this year are May 6-10, 2024 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
- Nacho Bar or Baked Potato & salad – Theme: Because you're FEARLESS - we could potentially ask local restaurants for donations. If you have any suggestions or contacts, please reach out to us. We will reach out to Cleveland Draft House and Longhorn to help us with this.
- 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

Any companies, etc. that sponsor we will have their name on the table and also post it on Facebook so they get recognition.

We WILL need volunteer help that week and will have a separate sign up genius for that coming.

Principal's Report

End of quarter AND spring track out are coming up before the end of the quarter. We have fun events before then - the talent show for 3-5 graders and the Music Travels event for K-2 graders.

We are setting up a scholarship fund for field trips to help students that can't financially cover field trips through Ms, Morrison. We are looking to get this added online with an online payment or people could bring a check or money and designate that it is for the scholarship fund. This is done by the school and not by the PTA.

Teacher Appreciation Monthly Snacks - Jenny Dobert and Jamie Endres, project chairs

Our next regular Teacher Appreciation Snack Bar will be Friday, March 22 before Track-Out. The SignUp Genius for that is <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BACAB2BA13-46948039-rand>

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

EOG Session after PTA Meeting from 7:00pm-7:45pm - 3/13

Beautification Day - 3/16

Teacher Appreciation Snacks - 3/22

Start of Little Caesars sale - 3/25

Holiday - Track Out - 3/29

Track-In for 4th Quarter - 4/22

PTA General Meeting - 4/24

Last Day of Little Caesars sale - 4/24

Teacher Appreciation Snacks - 4/26

Spring Carnival - 5/4

Teacher Appreciation Week - 5/6-5/10

Book Blast Starts - 5/14

PTA General Meeting - 5/15

5th Grade Field Trip - 5/16-5/17

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

Ms. Carey said yes to Jamie Endres' girl scout troop sprucing up the butterfly garden.

Also, a boy scout troop is looking for an Eagle Scout project they can do at the school also. WE are looking for ideas of things they can do.

Order forms for the yearbook will be going home the last week of April. They are \$15 dollars each. Same price as last year.

We are not doing another movie night, correct? No - but we are going to try and plan 2 movie nights for next year before the year starts.

Meghan Luzader - for elections, all 4 positions have to be elected every year, not just vacant positions.

We will email out the signup genius for the carnival.

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