

Robert Frost / Challenge Center PTO Meeting

Monday, September 9, 2019 6:30 PM

Attendees: Jennifer Stensaas (president), Sonia Ohling (vice-president), Jill Smith (treasurer), Elysha Anderson (secretary), Nicholas & Sarah Skajewski, Kayla Snyder, Rachel Aamold, Andrea Jamison, Jaqueline Hackett, Jamie Craghead, Jennifer Chamberlain, Alissa Hugelma, Maliah Dutor, Jay Kahl, Dustin & Lindsey Sona, Kjerstin Purinton, Tricia Henning, Tabitha Bartz, Lynn Gillette

1. Welcome and Introductions – Jennifer Stensaas

- a. Mission Statement – The purpose of our organization is to bring together the unique abilities of our parents to compliment the unique abilities of our teachers and staff in order to create support for our children’s educational experience.
- b. Objectives – The objectives of this organization are to promote:
 - i. Fundraisers and donations to support our school, activities, and events.
 - ii. Social events to bring home and school into a closer relationship.
 - iii. Volunteer opportunities in the school.

2. **Vote on Secretary** – We ended the 2018/19 with no elected secretary. It was voted that Elysha Anderson would assume the role of secretary for the 2019/20 school year. Motion Jay Kahl and 2nd Dustin Sona

3. **Additions and deletions to agenda** – Add Career Day in Chair Reports. Motion Rachel Aamold and 2nd Dustin Sona

4. **Approval of May 2019 minutes** (see attachment) – Motion Alyssa Hugelma and 2nd Sarah Skajewski

5. Chair Reports – PAST Events

- a. Open House (Aug 20) – Jill Smith & Jennifer Stensaas
 - i. Draw for door prize winners
 1. Winner Natalie Scott
 2. Winner Tina Paquette
 3. Winner Sarah Tarrell
- b. School Picture Day (Sept 6) – Tami Burkard

6. Chair Reports – UPCOMING Events

- a. Peace Festival (Sept ?) – No Peace Festival this year, will move allocated funds to Field Day at the end of the school year.
- b. Project Night (Oct 18) – Jill Smith: Volunteers are needed and an email will be sent out to parents/guardians, projects have already been determined.
- c. Conference Meals (Oct 3 & 7) – Danyelle Cleveland: Volunteers are needed and an email will be sent out to parents/guardians.
- d. Book Fair (Oct 3 & 7) – Jennifer Stensaas: Volunteers are needed and an email will be sent out to parents/guardians.
- e. Quiz Bowl (Nov 8) – Jill Smith: will be very similar to last year. We will need volunteers to read quizzes to Kindergarten and 1st Graders. Grades 2-5 will take the quiz on their chromebooks. Jill will send out emails to parents, teachers, etc. when the event gets closer. We talked about increasing our “suggested donation” from \$20 per child to \$25 per child goal (to coincide with 25 questions), which would substantially raise what we bring in for this fundraiser.
- f. Career Day (Jay Kahl): A great event enjoyed by staff and students. Discussion on ways to improve for this year. No date set as of yet.

7. Chair Reports – ONGOING Events

- a. Spirit Wear – Tricia Henning: will be taking orders several times during the school year. Considering the next orders to take place online using PTO's website. Also, look to offer different items such as water bottles, rubber bracelets, vehicle cling, socks, etc.
- b. Box Tops for Education – Alissa Hugelman: the process for collecting boxtops will be slowly changing over to an electronic system, where you download the Boxtops app to your phone and scan your receipt. We will need to change our incentives as we won't be able to track which children collect Boxtops – possibly get a school-wide goal.
- c. Social Media – Jennifer Stensaas will work with Tricia Henning to better utilize our Facebook page, for those parents that have Facebook, as a source of information and a way to connect to our Roadrunner families.

8. Principal's Report – Mrs. Gillette: Our school has 707 (643 RF/CC) enrolled students. Will invite Dr. Maher to our next board meeting to discuss new district school zoning. Ms. Gillette would like to be able to offer more funds to teacher P-Cards. Will be surveying the students to begin discussions on new playground equipment.

9. Financial Report – Jill Smith

- a. Present proposed budget – Motion Sarah Skajewski and 2nd Sonia Ohling

10. Old Business

- a. New fundraising ideas; vehicle window clings, driveway logos: will work on a plan for driveway logos to launch as soon as school starts in 2020/21. Need to have this done before it gets cold, also need a committee and volunteers to help. Tricia Henning will work on possible designs for vehicle clings to bring to our next meeting. Will add those to the next spirit wear order before Christmas.

11. New Business

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12. Adjourn – Motion Sonia Ohling and 2nd Kayla Snyder

Next PTO Meeting will be November 4, 2019 @ 6:30 PM in the RF/CC Library

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