

Rock View Elementary PTA

Meeting Minutes

May 2, 2017

APPROVED

I. Introductions

Welcome; thank you to all the teachers that attended!

II. Approval of minutes

April meeting minutes approved by Diane; seconded by Betsy

III. Agenda

- Presentations- Teachers from each grade level answered Q/As from parents regarding what expect for your child's grade level in the 2017-2018 school year
- Budget Updates
- Upcoming Events/5th grade committee updates
- Principal Updates Nominations of 2017-2018 Officers

IV. Treasurer's Update

- Julie finalized budget/expenses report for the year
- Hershey Park Tickets- raised \$900; the fundraiser was a huge success. PTA will plan on selling again 2017-2018 school year. Advertise more!
- Box Tops- keep collecting; will count towards 2017-2018 school year
- Restaurant Night- Jersey Mike's; date TBD
- Julie stated more expenses will go towards teacher's mini grants and Rock View Rocks picnic. Made over \$10,000 bank; carryover \$2,000 for next year
- Get budget committee together; need volunteers to work with Julie/Jon so that PTA can be at a good place next year; contact Julie Maxfield if interested

V. Principal Updates

- Family Field was very successful! Despite the rain, there were many participants
 - 45 participants
 - Thank you Manny's for generously donating pizza & for volunteers that donated sides/beverages toward Pot Luck
- Field Day/Family Move Night
 - Was on schedule! Was a lot of fun! Rock Wall & outdoor activities was successful. Big thank you to parent volunteers with salsa, yoga, tae kwon do, "Taste the Rainbow" & sports clinic.
 - Food service provided pizza dinner for children under age 18
 - Over 300 people attended
- Kindergarten Orientation
 - May 27th and 28th
 - Went very well! Thank you to all the volunteers!
 - 80 new kindergarteners; will continue to bring more over the summer
- Parent workshop
 - Hosted by EveryMind by Vicky Lopez was successful
- Staff Appreciation Week

- May 1-5th; “Souper Staff lunch” was a huge hit! Thank you Samantha Helfert & Lisa Carlin for coordinating & to all of the parent volunteers who helped contribute
- Bread Baking in-school field trip for 4th graders
 - John Hopkins University Partners with King Arthur Flour to host an in-school field trip to demonstrate how math/science can be incorporated in baking. Interface Works collected bread that was returned.
- PARCC Testing
 - 3rd & 5th grades-started this week, May 1-5, on chrome books
- 5th grade
 - hosted Career Day. Invited family/friends to be guest speakers
 - Currently learning about “Family Life”
 - More end of the school year events coming up
- Staffing process
 - There will be 5 kindergarten classes; 80 new kindergarteners; class size 1:18. Increase on ESOL & specials
 - Learning Center program- Mrs. Alexander explained that Rock View is one of 2 schools that offer this program. The program is more self-contained special education program, smaller class size environment, individualized. Not available for 5th grade & higher

VI. **Community Building/5th grade committee updates**

- ELVES- Weds, May 3, 9-11am
 - Work on name tags for the art show
- Beautification Day- Sat, May 6, 9am-1pm (**RAIN DATE: Sun, May 21st from 10am-3pm**)
 - Drop-in any time to assist with mulching, trimming bushes, plant, etc. Email Kim @ Kimhughesslp@yahoo.com for volunteer jobs. In need of wheel barrows to help move spread mulch
- Variety Show- Fri, May 12 @ Albert Einstein HS
 - Volunteer Appreciation- Fri, May 19; after school
- Art Show- Fri, May 26 (also a fundraiser)
 - Coordinated by Mrs. Leela Payne. Location: Media center/hallway of the media center
 - “Artome” each child will have a chosen art piece to be framed by Artome & showcased during Art Show for purchase. Any artwork left will be returned to students to take home without the frame. Will accept cash/check/credit cards
- Mon, May 29- Memorial Day; no school
- Spring Concert- Thurs, June 1
- Rock View Rocks Picnic- Fri, June 9
 - School’s backyard. Will have Food trucks/activities
- Last day of school- Fri, June 16
- 5th grade Updates- the committee received some donations and have met their budget. Dena confirmed NMHS does not permit food in the gym. Therefore, we will not be having a concession stand for many reasons. However, we might be selling flowers in lieu of baked goods.

VII. Election of 2017-2018 officers

Nominees- all approved

- President- Lisa Heiser-Polin
- Executive Vice-President- Jen Levine
- Treasurer- Jon Miller
- Budget Secretary- Julie Maxfield
- Secretary- Betsy Christenson
- Membership- Dena Gregory-Fisher

VIII. Action Item:

- Budget committee will meet during Rock View Rocks to vote on next year; prep over the summer so that we can get head start. Current members will vote
- Diane asked if 4th grade parents can join the 5th grade committee to better prep for next year as there will be a lot of planning involved/volunteers needed with events, promotion ceremony, yearbook, etc. If any 4th graders would like to assist with this year's ceremony, please contact PTA

Thank you all for all for supporting our school & community! We will see you all in the 2017-2018 school year!