

Richard Montgomery HS PTSA Meeting Minutes: January 16, 2018

Cynthia Cotte Griffiths, President, called the meeting to order at 7:40pm. All members signed in. A quorum was present.

Principal's Chat

RM wasn't included in the CIP. There is not enough space at RM for the existing student population. Mr. Monteleone will ask for existing portables to be moved to the back of the school, and also for two more portables. He will also ask for a wrestling room which would open up another PE class option. Wrestling room would go where the weight room is. Weight room would move to room 33. Room 340 is a classroom which could be converted to a lab. An office suite on 3rd floor could be converted into a regular classroom.

24 Chinese students and 4 staff members from Shanghai will be arriving 1/25. RM hopes to arrange a visit to Shanghai by RM students next spring break 2019.

Approval of December 19, 2017 Minutes

With one amendment regarding last month's discussion of student deaths in the county, the minutes passed after a motion made by Vince Mickens. Pursuant to that discussion, Rori Kochman mentioned that some RM students are starting a You Matter group, and that NAMI sends speakers to schools and has good resources.

Treasurer's Report – Cindy Cotte Griffiths for Tina Valenti

Christina Bour moved to increase line item for Grants from \$5,000 to \$5,008 and it passed. Nancy Paul moved and Treasurer's Report passed.

Committee Reports

Reflections – Cindy Cotte Griffiths for Tabatha Yeatts-Lonske. Two RM students moved on to the next level of competition.

Fundraising Eat Out 1/28 at Sushi Damo – Cindy Cotte Griffiths for Joanne D'Souza. Another fundraiser will be held at Modern Market on February 27th. Joanne is following up with Dawson's Market for a spring fundraiser.

Teacher Appreciation in May – Lynn Greer will present next month.

Post Prom in May – Rori Kochman reported that the committee is still looking for a co-chair for next year. They need volunteers to solicit prizes and coordinate them. They are continuing the GoFundMe campaign and are looking for business sponsors for monetary and in-kind donations.

Grocery Funds – Christina Bour reported that \$1841 has been raised so far this school year, and 211 frequent buyer cards from Giant and Harris Teeter are linked to RM.

Requests for PTSA support/volunteers

Guidance Office Volunteering 1/29 and 1/30.

RM Pro Expo 3/2 Vince Mickens – the Expo needs presenters from varied professions.

Concessions for Post Prom – Two adults are needed for every shift.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christina Bour

Recording Secretary