

CENTER ROAD SCHOOL
PTO Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2016

CALL TO ORDER – please see attendees below

OFFICERS REPORTS

- Board of Education – Laurie Bajorek – work being done on district website for sharing of news. This coming Monday issue with April 26th primary day, may be change in calendar for voting at schools. May push last day of school. Town charter requires using schools. RHS is looking to change athletic conference due to school size, team size, etc. Mr. Testa presenting on Monday re: school accountability and how State Department of Education is rating schools. Presentation of BOE budget to town council is 3/28 7:30 PM. School readiness council moving ahead again.
- Principal's Report – Jocelyn Poglitsch – parent climate survey coming out soon. This year as a district some questions were revised. New questions added regarding grant applying for and parent engagement. School Governance Council organize parent component of field day. 5/24 K-2 & 5/25 3-5, rain dates the week after. NWEA results will go home with report card. Spring testing 3-5 reading, math. SBAC coming up in April, state eliminating portion, no performance task for language arts. Average time for SBAC 1 hour ELA, 1 hour for math, 1 hour for performance task for math. Last round of NWEA testing in May. NWEA are hour at most each for reading and math. DN: iPads for Kindergarten? BD – 5 per classroom, questions about availability of apps.
- President's Report - Kathleen Marth – mother contacted for son who has earned master's degree, making a quilt with t-shirts from all schools. Peggy will bring a shirt in and leave in office.
- Vice President's Report – Angela Fredrickson – see below committee reports
- 2nd Vice President's Report – Brenna Dunnack/Peggy Wilde – PW – school fair was awesome, kids had fun.
- Secretary's Report – Cindy Kristoff - approval of February PTO Meeting Minutes – minutes approved
- Treasurer's Report – Melissa Saucier – approval February Treasurer's Report – PW & BD will be liaisons for Parent Booster. Report approved. Strong Farm Chicken Run, motion approved to donate \$100 for sponsorship. Comes with free entry to race, decision to give to Nick Willette as thanks for organizing marathon team.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- School Fair - KM – suggestion for next year: set up printer to print labels for \$1.
- Lyman Orchards – AF – finished up last week. 165 pies originally ordered, wanted 175 to hit next threshold for \$2 more per pie and we did make that number. Total profit \$1152. Delivery 3/16. Parent pick up between 4:30 – 6:30.
- Red Robin Fundraiser Tuesday, 3/22 5-8pm – AF – coupons distributed to teacher mailboxes and extras in office.
- School Spirit – School Color Day 3/17/16
- Ron a Roll Fundraiser – AF – great family turnout. 81 pre-bought tix, 76 at door. Made threshold of 150+, charged \$7.50 per person. Total profit \$560.50. Wonderful to work with!
- Appreciation – School Social Worker Week – AF – dropped off mini yellow rose plant and card.
- Wolf Pack/Yard Goats – AF – Emily couldn't attend. Wolfpack is Saturday, 3/12. 217 tickets sold, entire section. Yard Goats, 5/31, ticket flyer going home the beginning of April. CRS students invited to carry flag onto the field. First pitch raffled off.
- Book Fair – first week in May. Should have more Scholastic Dollars than anticipated (approx. \$800) for summer reading. Promote All for Books, coin drive.
- Scholarship – 15 applications. Score chart, one based on class rank # and since enrollment was dropped should be percentage. Committee can change that without board input.

NEW IDEAS/BUSINESS/VOTES REQUIRED

Mr. Harrison – VCMS

- Ask parents who have children at VCMS their experiences.
- 3rd year as principal, 16 years total.
- Survey results – on-line
 - Increases in % of satisfaction of past years over many topics/areas
 - Only decrease in % of satisfaction is in safety getting to and from school
- Currently 2 teams for each 7th & 8th grade, 3 teams in 6th grade.
- 7th & 8th rotate schedules this yaer, 6th does not
- 6th graders change classes 3-4 minutes before 7th & 8th graders
- 1 guidance counselor per grade level
- Unified Arts
- Many transitions in staff, year of adjustment 15-16
- Dan Nevelos – how do teams work?
 - Math, Reading, Social Studies, Science, etc. per team.
 - Common planning time by grade level.
- Gifted & Talented at VCMS, Regina Lee
- Classes are not leveled, except for accelerated math for 6th grade.
- Need to identify levels of students, those who need help, those who need challenge
 - Using NWEA results
- Angela Fredrickson – no staggered start next year?
 - No, but will be help directing. Open up building on Saturday before school starts for new students.
 - AF – Team letter? Yes, should be around August 8th
 - All 6th graders go to auditorium, homeroom teacher collects them, go to lockers, etc.
- RHS students earn community service hours coming down to tutor. 8th graders tutor 6th graders to earn credit.
- Looking to get 1 to 1 technology via grant for at least 8th grade.
- DN – ‘Netiquette’?
 - Yes, offered at VCMS.

Hope to see you at the next PTO meeting Thursday, 4/7/16. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m.
Babysitting will be available.

CRS PTO is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Monetary donations are tax deductible.

Attendees:

Brenna Dunnack
Peg Wilde
Kathleen Marth
Jocelyn Poglitsch
Angela Fredrickson
Melissa Saucier
Lisa Traska
Laurie Bajorek
Dan Nevelos
Cindy Kristoff
Jim Harrison