

ROCK BRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL PTSA MEETING MINUTES

Monday, November 11, 2013

In Attendance: June Hurdle, Deb Linneman, Kim England, Robin Tipton, Darlene Kruse, Julie Lyman, Betsy Hofmann, Karri Linder, Vicki Brocksmith, Beth Shapiro, Teresa Heim, Tamara Sundvold, Laurie Reasoner, Janna Tarbox, Cary Colbert, Karen Hajicek, Leah Johnson, and Dr. Jennifer Mast
Welcome by President June Hurdle and introductions by everyone.

Secretary Report – Approval of minutes from October 2013 meeting. Darlene Kruse made motion to approve and June Hurdle seconded.

Treasurers Report – Kim England presented financials. Moving forward, checks for payments to RBHS are to be made out to CPS instead of RBHS. Also, requesting that vendors such as Coke put a note on their invoice indicating which group the product is for.

Administrative Report – Jennifer Mast

- Assembly on Thursday for:
 - o Sussical the Musical
 - o Fall Sports
 - o Bruin of my Life
- School is closed on Friday, November 15, 2013
- November 1st, Bill Dagget spoke to all secondary teachers:
 - o Need for greater relevance for college and career – electives are doing a much better job at this than core classes
 - o Need to help students develop 21st Century Skills – thinkers, problem solvers, communicators, self-directive, critical thinking, etc.
 - o Proposal to teach how to use digital media for projects in many subject areas
 - o Currently, teach for tests – MAP/other – they hope to change ACT test in a few years which will result in changes in secondary education
 - o Teach by practice – character/ethics, collective responsibility
 - o Have started this in honors classes... either going extremely well, or improvement is needed

Committee Reports:

- o **Membership** – Kerri Linder, Susan Jones
 - o A few more membership/general donations have come in
 - o Business recognition and certificates/stickers will be sent out to business members
- o **Volunteer Coordinator** – Elise Acton
 - o No report
- o **Staff Appreciation** – Teresa Heim, Janna Tarbox
 - o Next Wednesday, November 20th – Casserole Luncheon
 - o December – Holiday treats
- o **Football Concessions** – Linda Bartels, Leah Johnson, Pat Forward
 - o If we win the game this Friday, we will host the play-off game on November 22. Water at concession stand/bathrooms was turned off today, so will have port-a-potties.
- o **Volleyball Concessions** – Julie Kalaitzandonakes
 - o No report
- o **College & Career Village** – Colleen Bartock, Joanna Wilson
 - o Had a large number of volunteers
 - o Presenter/volunteer check-in went smoothly
 - o Volunteers arrived earlier plus having a shuttle solved parking problems for guest
 - o Hospitality Room for guest speakers sponsored by PTSA held in teachers lounge; problems encountered for 2nd year in a row; It is important to find a different location for this next time

- Next event will be held in 2015
- **Basketball Concessions** – Janet Murphy
 - Have 22 dates to fill – a spreadsheet was handed out for volunteers to sign up
- **Teacher Supplies & Bruin Grants** – Tamara Sundvold, Kate Mehle
 - No report on teacher's supplies
 - Bruin Grants had 11 submissions – they will be presented Wednesday at the teacher's meeting
 - Membership requested a list of teachers that receive grants
- **Advocacy Chair** – Diane True
 - No report
- **CCPTA** – Deb Linneman
 - No November meeting
 - PTA Founder's Day February 20th, 2014 will be hosted at RBHS; guest speaker Dr. Huff, Supt. of Joplin Schools, 2013 MO Supt. of the Year
- **Music Booster Liaison** – Beth Shapiro
 - Several awards for All State Choir/Band/Emerald Regiment
 - Seussical the Musical is this weekend. Tickets are \$5/each
 - November 23 – Sweet Night of Jazz – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. Tickets available from Jan Fowler in music department
- **Athletic Boosters** – Laurie Reasoner
 - For the Love of the Game is this Saturday, November 16th at Stoney Creek Inn
- **Hospitality** – Laurie Reasoner
 - No report
- **Class Representations** – Sheri Ardini, Gail Baker, Betsy Hofman, Janine Stichter, Sara Fougere, Cary Colbert, Karri Maggard
 - No report
- **PTSA Awards Coordinator** – Julie Lyman
 - Julie passed out information on possible awards available to us.
- **Reflections** – Abbey Trescot
 - June is meeting with Abbey this week

Old Business:

- RBHS Entrance Refurbishing Committee
 - Melissa Randall, Joanna Wilson, Kathy Miller regarding the front of the school.
 - Dr. Mast said it is on CPS's list to demolish and redo, but not sure of time schedule.
- PTA Insurance
 - Reviewed and renewed what we had in the past
 - Need liability insurance for events and for members/officers
- Need volunteers in the Media Center – 2 hours per week

New Business:

- Deb Linneman – proposed PTSA prepare information packet for families that enter RBHS during the school year to be handed out by counseling office
- Kim England requested that everyone turn in receipts for all costs for budgeting purposes even if you are not requesting reimbursement.

Upcoming Events:

- Next PTSA Meeting is Monday, January 13th at noon in the PAC Lobby
- No meeting in December

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Tipton
Secretary