ROCK BRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL PTSA MEETING MINUTES
Monday, August 10, 2015

In Attendance: Kim Hughes, Terri Stanley, Julie Diehls, Joanna Wilson, Deb Linneman, Kim England, Kay Hake, Mary Barnes, Diane True, Kerry Maggard, Janine Stichter, Carrie Schlimme, Cary Colbert, Sara Fougere, JoAnn Reed, Shelley Morris, Erin Bower, Robin Tipton, Angela Pigg, Stacy Ford, Erinn Strong, Pam Osman, Kerri Linder, Kathy Ritter, Dr. Jennifer Rukstad

Welcome and Introductions: Kim Hughes (Copy Machine Code is e012515)

Kathy Ritter will be Interim Principal, covering for Dr. Rukstad on maternity leave for 8 weeks.

Secretary Report – Joanna Wilson - Approval of minutes from May 2015; Janine Stichter made motion to approve.

Treasurers Report – Julie Diehls

- Profit & Loss Budget Overview: Terri Stanley made motion to approve.
- 2015-16 Proposed Budget: Diane True made motion to approve.

Administrative Report – Dr. Jen Rukstad & Kathy Ritter

- $2 million roof replacement going on through first semester.
- Media Center roof leak in June was caught early.
- Atrium skylights being replaced. Scaffolding will remain until project is finished. Plywood currently covering the area.
- North parking lot was completely resurfaced. South lot & circle drive received overlay.
- Stadium has new light poles. Power to the new lights will happen in the next week. Old lights to come down after new ones are working.
- Field Pavilion has been cleaned. New lettering in athletic hallway, weight room and football locker room is done. Thank you to Kay Hake. Area behind the gym has also been cleaned up.
- Track resurfacing could not be done due to excessive rain in June. Moved to June 2016.
- Concession restrooms have been painted. Kay Hake requested a mirror for women’s restroom.
- Design phase for stadium renovation has started. Committee visited Kirkwood H.S. & Hickman to look at their designs. Kay Hake & Matt Murphy sitting on committee. Scheduled to begin in Fall 2016 after football season. Add-ons scheduled for baseball & softball fields.
- New front entry will be included in the District’s Grand Plan, with all new concrete. Over $5 million commitment to RBHS renovations.
- Thank you for PTSA’s help with schedule pick-up. Very good turnout. Make-up date is Aug. 17.
- David Bones has taken a job at the District Office. Debbie Greene has taken over the project PTSA funded in the east atrium.
- Catherine Fishburn-Weaver, EEE teacher, has taken a job at MU. Currently looking for a Rock Bridge staff member to fill the position. Will be announced by August 11.
- New teacher from Confucius Institute will be coming to RB. Wyatt Schultz will teach 2 sections of Chinese & French.
- District’s Grand Plan for high school enrollment is 1800 students at each school. Current enrollments are: RB-1875; Hickman-1650; Battle- 1500

PTSA Communications – InfoBruin (Kim Hughes) & Facebook (Kerri Linder) - Sign up for InfoBruin online and watch Facebook for information.
Committee Reports:

- **Schedule Pick-up – Jodie Brand and Mindy Fuller**
  - Very well run. 1400 kids came through August 5 & 6. Helpers are still needed for make-up day on August 17, 4-7 pm. Mindy will re-send the volunteer sign-up email. Kay Hake recommended Senior Mentors to help freshman & new students find classrooms on first day.

- **Membership – Amy Simmons & Erin Strong**
  - 463 memberships at Schedule Pick-up (Seniors-79; Juniors-98; Sophomores-137; Freshmen-149)
  - $1,051 collected in donations
  - Total revenue $4,984
  - Picked up 7 business memberships

- **PTSA Volunteer Coordinator – Melissa Murphy (Report given by Kim England)**
  - Names of volunteers from membership forms are being entered in. Kim Hughes said Volunteer Spot will be used for all PTSA sign-ups. Volunteer hours can be tracked and reminders can be sent through their website.

- **CCTPA/Advocacy Chair – Diane True**
  - Saturday, September 12 - Columbia Council PTA to be held at MO State PTSA office located near the Food Bank. Kim Weber, Missouri PTA President & a Columbia resident, will speak. Attendance is free. There will be breakout sessions for Officers, Reflections, etc. Good place to make connections, solve problems and share info.

- **Award Coordinator – Pam Osman**
  - Will be ready to give awards out in the spring.

- **Football Concessions – Pat Forward, Jill Schneider, and Joanna Wilson**
  - First home game is September 4th against Battle. All co-chairs are returning and are excited for the season to start. Four home games this season.

- **Volleyball Concessions – Shelley Morris**
  - Preparing for the upcoming season. (Concession chairs are meeting after the PTSA meeting today.)

- **Basketball/Wrestling Concessions – Amber Carbone, Angela Pigg and Stacy Ford**
  - Angela and Stacy are reading the materials that were handed over to them from previous concession chairs.

- **Staff Appreciation – JoAnn Reed & Karen Maggine**
  - Gathering names of volunteers. Denise McGonigle will give them dates of events. First event when helpers will be needed is early October.

- **Hospitality – Erin Bower**
  - Planning to assist with College & Career Village and Art Show

- **Teacher Supplies & Bruin Grants – Kate Mehle and Cindy Bley**
  - 24 baskets were assembled for new teachers.
  - Bruin Grants will start soon. Kim Hughes pointed out that Bruin Grant application changed to say that teachers must be PTSA members to receive Bruin Grants.

- **Reflections – Deb Linneman and Jane Biccum**
  - Next year’s 2015-16 theme will be “Let Your Imagine Fly”
  - Purchased an ad in RB Concert Series program to draw students from music areas. Will be starting process much earlier this year. Entries will be due by mid-November.

- **Valentines – Kay Hake, Cary Colbert, & Sara Fougere**
  - No report

- **Senior Class Reps – Sara Fougere & Janine Stichter**

- **Junior Class Reps – Cary Colbert & Kerry Maggard**

- **Sophomore Class Reps – Sam States & Betsy Hofmann**

- **Freshman Class Reps – Mary Barnes**
• No report

• **PTSA Student Group Liaison – Deb Linneman**
  - Mrs. Sasser is meeting Sept. 1 with Student Coalition (Student PTSA group). Kim Weber, State PTA President, would like to have a student group attend the September veto session in Jeff City.
  - Planning to participate in Microsoft Youth Summit regarding privacy issues online.
  - Thank you for increasing their budget allotment. List of students will be gathered to determine the applicable student fees. Will be merged with Melissa’s list.

• **Athletic Boosters Liaison – Libby Lawson**
  - 11 of 21 teams are currently holding practices.
  - Visit BruinAthletics.com for schedules and information.
  - Will sell memberships at first game of all fall sports. Membership includes an activity pass.
  - Up to $1,000 is given to each sport to fund needs.
  - Next meeting is August 17 @ 7 pm.
  - November 7, 2015 – For the Love of the Game (postcards were passed around). This is the 13th year. Funds this year will go towards enhancements for the stadium project, i.e. landscaping, new metal team benches. The stadium benefits many different sports & activities at our school.

• **Music Boosters – Kelly Wells**
  - No report

• **Friends of RBHS Orchestra – Carrie Schlimme**
  - Committee is planning to meet soon. Will report after that meeting. Allison Schmidt is the new Orchestra Director.

• **Bruin Closet – Cindy Bley**
  - No report

• **College & Career Village – Sondra Inman & Kim England**
  - Will be held October 23, late morning and last for 1.5 hours. Planning to provide support to Guidance Dept.

**Old Business:**
- Faculty must be a PTSA Member to be eligible for Bruin Grants. Membership form has been changed to reflect this. Membership committee is working on a poster to show areas of PTSA support to faculty.

**New Business:**
- Using Volunteer Spot for sign-ups. Kim will communicate with Committee Chairs.
- Visitor parking spots are located in Circle drive and South lot. Denise has PTSA parking passes to be used in Faculty spots in North & South lots.
- Dr. Rukstad stated that the District office is working on options for kids to get food in the afternoons, since A Lunch is at 10:30 am.
- Dr. Rukstad will get an email sent out regarding Jump Start Day. Several parents of freshmen expressed concern that many families aren’t aware of it.
- Please email Kim if you have items to be included on the Upcoming Events list.
- Homecoming Dance – Saturday, September 26th, 8-11 pm @ RBHS (per Kay Hake

- Kim is putting together an iMovie for Back-to-School Night. It will be a 90 second “movie trailer” format featuring clips of volunteers. Email Kim any photos/videos you would like included.
Upcoming Events:

- Next meeting – Monday September 14th @ noon in PAC Lobby
- Jump Start Day – August 17th - Freshmen only - 9:00 am – 1:30 pm
- Schedule Pickup – August 17th – Make-up Day – 4-7 pm
- FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL – August 18th
- Back to School Night – September 2nd – 6:30 pm (Teacher Appreciation Dinner)
- Football @ Faurot Field – SATURDAY, August 22nd – 7 pm vs. Rockhurst (All-day tickets are $10) Kay will be selling T-shirts on Friday.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanna Wilson, Secretary