

**ROCK BRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL PTSA MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, October 12, 2015**

**In Attendance:** Kim Hughes, Terri Stanley, Julie Diehls, Joanna Wilson, Amy Simmons, Kim England, Kay Hake, Mary Barnes, Diane True, Sondra Inman, Kay Rivera, Kate Mehle, Kelly Wells, Shelley Morris, Cindy Bley, Sam States, Pam Osman, Libby Lawson, Teresa Heim, Damascena Kurukulasuriya, Adarsh Kumar, Kathy Ritter

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

**Secretary Report – Joanna Wilson** - Approval of minutes from September 2015 with the following corrections: College & Career Village - CCV Committee Chairs to work on getting water and snacks for upcoming College & Career Village. Erin Bower (Hospitality Committee) was not contacted for this; Volleyball Concessions- Shelley Morris researched policy on complimentary items then worked with PTSA executive committee to make recommendations for all concession stands. Julie Diehls made motion to approve. Amy Simmons seconded.

**Treasurers Report – Julie Diehls**

- Concession revenue will increase as the year goes on and inventory costs are covered.
- Please cash reimbursement checks as soon as possible to help balance our books. Sondra Inman made motion to approve report. Terri Stanley seconded.

**Administrative Report – Kathy Ritter**

- Thank you to PTSA for your support and organization. A real strength of RBHS is the great parents that support the school. Help with picture distribution & Homecoming Dance was greatly appreciated.
- 925 kids paid to attend the Homecoming dance on Oct. 2. Student Council volunteers & queen candidates don't have to pay.
- Brianna Ellis was crowned Homecoming Queen. Her charity was Boys & Girls Club, which received the \$2,000 raised by Student Council. Kathy will get a press release to Michelle Baumstark to announce this.
- Skylights were completed one day before Homecoming. Roof construction still going on but not disruptive to students.
- New teacher training is going well.
- Dr. Rukstad will be returning to work on October 15.

**PTSA Communications – InfoBruin (Kim Hughes) & Facebook (Kerri Linder)**

- Let Kerri know if you have something to promote, announcements, or reminders to go on Facebook. Be sure to like and share RBHS posts to continue seeing them on your FB feed.
- Kim will get InfoBruin announcements to Christina Thalhuber. Please email Kim important information from your committees.

**Committee Reports:**

- **Schedule Pick-up – Jodie Brand and Mindy Fuller**  
No report.
- **Membership – Amy Simmons & Erin Strong**  
No report.
- **PTSA Volunteer Coordinator – Melissa Murphy (Report given by Kim Hughes)**  
Please let Melissa know if you need to reach out to volunteer base.
- **CCTPA/Advocacy Chair – Diane True**

- CCPTA President's Pizza Dinner on Oct. 13, 6pm, @Main CPS Admin. Building. All officers are invited.
- Election Nov. 3 for small issues. PTAs cannot support candidates, only issues.
- October is Cyber Security Awareness Month. Missouri State Auditor, Nicole Galloway, will be doing a security audit in 5 school districts in 2016.
- **Award Coordinator – Pam Osman**
  - No report.
- **Football Concessions – Pat Forward, Jill Schneider, & Joanna Wilson**
  - Profit from Oct. 10 game was \$788. A few leftover items will be returned to Sam's Club.
- **Volleyball Concessions – Shelley Morris**
  - Thank you to all volunteers for helping this season.
  - Profit for the season was \$460, potentially \$800 if all inventory sells.
  - Popcorn machine is broken. Julie D. & Kim E. found paperwork. Was purchased online in 2013. Kim H. will look into getting it repaired. Joanna W. recommended purchasing future equipment from Sam's or another local vendor that will repair/replace defective items.
  - Consistent policy on complimentary items for RB coaches, staff, & visiting teams was discussed & agreed upon by PTSA members: Free water bottles for referees, bus drivers, coaches, resource officers, & custodians. 50% discount on food items (as well as free leftover cooked items) for custodians & resource officers.
- **Basketball/Wrestling Concessions – Amber Carbone, Angela Pigg & Stacy Ford**
  - No report.
- **Staff Appreciation – JoAnn Reed & Karen Maggine (Report by Kim Hughes)**
  - PTSA will have a table and membership forms at Breakfast on Oct. 26.
- **Hospitality – Erin Bower**
  - No report.
- **Teacher Supplies & Bruin Grants – Kate Mehle & Cindy Bley**
  - Kate will tell Denise McGonigle to email teachers about applying for teacher supplies. Kleenex is always in high demand.
  - Deadline for Bruin Grants is Oct. 30.
- **Reflections – Deb Linneman and Jane Biccum**
  - Oct. 30-participation forms due.
  - Nov. 9-actual entry form and projects due.
  - Dec. 10-winners sent to state level.
- **Valentines – Kay Hake, Cary Colbert, & Sara Fougere**
  - No school on Feb. 12. Valentines will be done on Feb. 11.
- **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 (Deb's report read by Kim Hughes)**
  - Meeting was held on Oct. 6. Key issues being addressed are: Parking/traffic, Tunnel mural (math tunnel in basement), School garden, Underclassmen off-campus lunch, School lunch/nutrition, & Technology.
  - Deb has encouraged the students to survey the PTSA to get parents' point of view on underclassmen off-campus lunch.
  - More microwaves in cafeteria area would help alleviate congestion at lunchtime. PTSA could possibly consider funding these.
- **Athletic Boosters Liaison – Libby Lawson**
  - Lots of teams going to Districts. Girls' Tennis team is preparing for State.

- Lots of excitement about the upcoming renovations to the stadium complex.
- November 7, 2015 – For the Love of the Game. Thank you for donations & support. Can still make donations at Bruinauction.com.
- Bruin Cup to be held on May 18, 2016.
- Next Booster Club meeting is Oct. 20 at 7 pm.
- Kay Hake – Final proofs for stadium renovations are complete. New concession to have 40 bathroom stalls and apparel sales area. PTSA will need to fund extra microwaves, ice machine, etc. Existing concession to be demolished after Oct. 14, 2016. Completion by Aug. 2017. Track overlay to be done after stadium completed. Engravable bricks will be sold as a fundraiser.
- **Potential dates** for 2016: Homecoming on September 30 & Senior Night on Oct. 14.
- **Music Boosters – Kelly Wells**
  - Musical will be “Barnum”. Kelly to check on rating (PG?)
  - 26 students made All-District Band. Marching Band has received many awards
  - Five color guard members are going to be in the Citrus Bowl All-American Band.
- **Friends of RBHS Orchestra – Carrie Schlimme**
  - Director is Allison Schmidt
  - First concert is Oct. 12- Concert & Chamber Orchestras.
  - Membership is up from 50 members last year to 80 this year. Will sell more memberships at the upcoming concert.
- **Bruin Closet – Cindy Bley**
  - Lisa Kurzejeski will communicate needs to Cindy.
- **College & Career Village – Sondra Inman & Kim England**
  - Oct. 23 - 10:30-noon check-in & refreshments, 11-12:30 two sessions for panelists.
  - Over 60 college reps and 80 career panelists.
  - Volunteers will work check-in tables. Water & refreshments will be solicited from general volunteers list.
  - Still looking for a broadcast journalist, attorney, and interior designer. If anyone has contacts please let Sondra or Kim know.

#### **Old Business:**

- PTSA Gmail email address & Volunteer Spot ID/PW
  - [rbhsptsacomo@gmail.com](mailto:rbhsptsacomo@gmail.com)
  - Bruinswin
- Visitor parking tags are available if you need one.

#### **New Business:**

- PTSA Volunteer tags will be in the Activities Office. Please wear for identification & to show our involvement at school.
- Power Lines along Nifong Blvd. Info has been posted on our Facebook page & Kim H. passed out an information sheet for us to read.
- Gentry PTSA is hosting Betsy Jones (Guidance) on Nov. 18. Enrollment process starting earlier this year. Looking for parents who would be interested in being involved.
- Student photos are in the Activities Office. Will go out to students in Advisory.

#### **Other Business/Announcements:**

- Please keep track of volunteer hours to turn in at end of year.
- Thank you to our business members. They will receive stickers.
- Kelly Sports Properties (KSP) – Kay Hake announced the KSP contract ends on June 30, 2016. An email went out to families of athletes and PTSA members with contact info for School Board members. Article in the Tribune on Oct. 11 explaining the issues. Kay has emailed Dr. Stiepelman

- voicing her opinion about the band not getting to play and Bruin Girls not being allowed to dance due to ads that are running at games. She also asked for more transparency about where money is going. If you email, please make them kind in nature. Meeting is tonight at Board office.
- Kathy Ritter explained some background history about KSP. Four years ago they put together a program that coordinated resources to make programs equitable across all sports. We should ask ourselves these questions: How much would we miss the money from KSP? & How much would we miss the nice sports programs? (District AD said we received \$686,000 from KSP for MSHSSA activities.) Kathy said it's a good time to look at the contract again. Kay encouraged parents to ask for more transparency if you decide to email about power lines and/or KSP.
  - Kathy R. said \$875, from sales of blue wristbands, was sent to Millcreek Elementary for Jeffrey John Memorial. (Discussed at Homecoming Assembly.)

**Upcoming Events:**

- Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> – College & Career Fair
- Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup> – PTSA Staff Appreciation Breakfast
- Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> – Reflections Student Participation Forms Due
- Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>- NO SCHOOL – Teacher Collaboration Day
- Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> – NO SCHOOL
- Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> – EARLY RELEASE

NEXT MEETING, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup> @ NOON IN PAC LOBBY

Meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joanna Wilson, Secretary