

**ROCK BRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL PTSA MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, September 14, 2015**

**In Attendance:** Kim Hughes, Terri Stanley, Julie Diehls, Joanna Wilson, Amy Simmons, Deb Linneman, Kim England, Kay Hake, Mary Barnes, Diane True, Sondra Inman, Kay Rivera, Kate Mehle, Cary Colbert, Sara Fougere, Betsy Hofmann, Kelly Wells, Shelley Morris, Erin Bower, Robin Tipton, Stacy Ford, Erin Strong, Pam Osman, Kerri Linder, Darlene Kruse, Karen Hajicek, Libby Lawson, Kathy Ritter

**Welcome and Introductions - Kim Hughes** (Copy Machine Code is e012515) Please be sure to get a parking permit.

**Secretary Report – Joanna Wilson** - Approval of minutes from August 2015; Julie Diehls made motion to approve. Sondra Inman seconded.

**Treasurers Report – Julie Diehls**

- Operations/Insurance will be increased by \$258.75 to purchase a Fidelity Bonding & Property policy. PTSA must be insured to cover catastrophic losses. Money will come from prior year funds. Sondra Inman made motion to approve this increase and to allocate funds from reserves to cover cost. Joanna Wilson seconded.
- Donations & memberships still coming in. Tax exempt & reimbursement forms are in PTSA box in office. Julie will also email out. Terri Stanley made motion to approve report. Diane True seconded.

**Administrative Report – Kathy Ritter**

- Skylights in commons are almost complete. East Wing renovations are done.
- Homecoming is next week. Assembly on Sept. 25. Dance has been changed to Fri., Oct. 2 due to conflicts with a large number of students (X-country & show choir).
- 9 National Merit Semi-finalists. Commended scholars to be announced soon.
- PTSA members expressed concern about honors credit being earned by students for non-writing projects in English courses. Kathy will look into this and report back.

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

- Sign up for InfoBruin online and watch Facebook for information.
- Video from Back-to-school night & link to Missouri PTA added to FB page.

**Committee Reports:**

- **Schedule Pick-up – Jodie Brand and Mindy Fuller**
  - Thank you to volunteers for a smooth week.
- **Membership – Amy Simmons & Erin Strong**
  - 568 memberships (includes 110 students, 46 faculty, & 8 businesses)
  - Amy made a poster for faculty events explaining where Bruin Grants go.
- **PTSA Volunteer Coordinator – Melissa Murphy (Report given by Kim England)**
  - Volunteer Spot sign-up will go out for Homecoming Dance helpers.
- **CCTPA/Advocacy Chair – Diane True**
  - National PTA has a strong desire to protect students' privacy online. Please tell senators you support students' privacy online.
  - CCPTA School of Info on Sept. 12 was cancelled due to illness. President & V-Pres. get-together will be on Oct. 13 @Main CPS Admin. Building. Diane will confirm before next meeting.
- **Award Coordinator – Pam Osman**
  - No report.

- **Football Concessions – Pat Forward, Jill Schneider, & Joanna Wilson**
  - Profits: \$1,800-Battle game, \$1017-Lees Summit game.
  - Renting an ice cooler from Tiger Ice (Sept. only) to keep drinks cold. Receiving ice at a discount.
- **Volleyball Concessions – Shelley Morris**
  - Still operating in the red. Half of inventory cost is covered.
  - Working on a consistent policy in writing concerning complementary items for referees, custodians, etc. Shelley will type up and put in binders. Needs to be communicated to coaches, David Egan.
- **Basketball/Wrestling Concessions – Amber Carbone, Angela Pigg & Stacy Ford**
  - Preparing for the season.
- **Staff Appreciation – JoAnn Reed & Karen Maggine**
  - Oct. 26 Breakfast sign-up already full. Cary Colbert encouraged co-chairs to make sure there is plenty of food. Kim Hughes will communicate with JoAnn & Karen.
- **Hospitality – Erin Bower**
  - No report.
- **Teacher Supplies & Bruin Grants – Kate Mehle & Cindy Bley**
  - No report.
  - Kim Hughes & Kate Mehle will discuss requests for Bruin Grants.
- **Reflections – Deb Linneman and Jane Biccum**
  - Oct. 30-participation forms due. Nov. 9-actual entry form due. Dec. 10-winners sent to state level.
  - Kerri Linder will put info on Facebook. Teachers, Bearing News, & InfoBruin to notify students of deadlines.
  - Deb Linneman & Erin Bower are working on getting the program going at Jeff Middle School.
- **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**
  - First meeting of Student Coalition recently held. Katherine Sasser shared key topics chosen by students: Parking & Traffic, School Garden, Weighted Grading Scale, Off-campus Lunches, Nutrition & Lunches.
  - PTSA Class Reps will be invited to future meetings (1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month) to share input.
- **Athletic Boosters Liaison – Libby Lawson**
  - Drive One 4 Ur School is Tues., Sept. 15, 9 am-6 pm @ Joe Machens rental lot next to Steak & Shake. Libby encouraged everyone to drive a car.
  - November 7, 2015 – For the Love of the Game. Goal is to raise \$100,000 to go toward extras for the stadium project. Please bring friends who've never attended. Ads are \$100/half page; deadline-Sept. 30.
  - Need more Booster Club memberships. Please encourage parents of spring sport athletes to join, especially freshmen. Forms are on InfoBruin & Bruin Athletics website.
- **Music Boosters – Kelly Wells**
  - Choir performing at Carnegie Hall over Spring Break.
  - Music department is piloting a program where they float staff between schools, 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade.

- PTSA members asked Kelly to look into a Pep Band for home basketball games. Kathy Ritter will find out from David Egan why we no longer have one. Is space an issue?
- Thank you to PTSA Reflections Committee for placing ad in program.
- **Friends of RBHS Orchestra – Carrie Schlimme**
  - No report.
- **Bruin Closet – Cindy Bley**
  - No report
- **College & Career Village – Sondra Inman & Kim England**
  - October 23, late morning and last for 1.5 hours.
  - Met with Rachel Reed. Need 8 volunteers to help with check-in.
  - Hospitality Committee to cover water & snacks.

**Old Business:**

- Faculty must be a PTSA Member to be eligible for Bruin Grants. Membership form has been changed to reflect this. Sign, table, & forms will be at Faculty Breakfast.

**New Business:**

- Using Volunteer Spot for sign-ups.
- Email address: [rbhsptsacomo@gmail.com](mailto:rbhsptsacomo@gmail.com), password: bruinswin.

**Other Business/Announcements:**

- Community Gmail account is pre-loaded with committee names. Talk to Kim Hughes if you'd like to use it.
- Please keep track of volunteer hours to turn in at end of year.
- Please email Kim if you have items to be included on the Upcoming Events list.
- Reminder from Treasurer Julie Diehls to spend wisely. Try not to go over budget. Concession revenues will be down this year.

**Upcoming Events:**

- **Next meeting – Monday, October 12th. @ noon in PAC Lobby**
- No school September 28<sup>th</sup> – Teacher Collaboration Day
- Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> – Homecoming Dance
- 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

Meeting adjourned at 12:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joanna Wilson, Secretary