Ridgeway PTSA Meeting Minutes

Meeting – January 14, 2020

ATTENDEES: Shari Lawson, Penny Gamble, Wendy Forbes, Sean Cox, Rachel Parks, Meghan Malloy, Zach Gramke, Amanda Fues, Abby Meeds, Valerie Freed, Rebecca Newkirk, Emma Laney, Carla McElroy

I. Meeting called to order at 6:35 p.m.

II. Review Prior Meeting Minutes. (Minutes were recorded by Valerie Freed due to Teresa Schmitter being ill.)
   a. Minutes reviewed.
   b. Wendy motioned to accept the amended minutes. Amanda seconded. The motion passed.

III. School Updates
   a. Principal’s Report – Mrs. Shari Lawson
      • Painting will begin later this month.
      • Tour schedule is in process – will begin this month. Tours are for families that will be entering school (Ridgeway) in the upcoming fall.
      • Art Fair and Talent Show is January 30th.
   b. Autonomous School Committee Report – Valerie Freed
      • Continuing work on bylaws.

IV. Office Updates
   a. President’s Report – Sean Cox – no report
   b. VP Outreach – Vacant
      • Chair needed to fill the position of outreach and promotion. Sean has received emails from the CPS school board requesting to offer a presentation about world languages in elementary school and the bond issue during a PTSA meeting in February or March. Sean will coordinate.
   c. VP Membership – Carissa Havens – not present, no report
   d. Secretary – Teresa Schmitter – not present, no report
   e. Treasurer – Wendy Forbes
      • See attached financial forms
      • Receipts are requested for teacher gift cards for record keeping.
      • Zach motioned for the financials to be approved. Amanda seconded. The motion passed.
   f. Deputy Treasurer – Rebecca Gingerich – not present, no report

V. Business (New and Old)
   a. Spring Family Event
      • Scheduled for 2/13, location undetermined. Discussed Level Up, an MU basketball game or an event at Columbia College. Emma will contact the athletic director of CC to inquire about a fun night event and report back to Penny and Sean.
   b. Ridgeway T-shirts
      • Shirts were ordered from Fast Yeti and the process went well. Additional t-shirts were purchased for students that were unable to get them, some of which are available for
purchase in the office. The shirts will continue to be available from Fast Yeti but the price will be more without quantity discount.

c. Yearbook – Rachel Parks
   • Considering a “teachers and their pets” page.

d. Dream Big – Wendy Forbes
   • Receipts are being returned, thank you.

e. Fun Day – Amanda Fues reporting
   • The Golden Ticket prize is 65” television donated by Scout and Nimble. Big drawing tickets sold between the dates of 1/31 and 3/2 will be eligible for the golden ticket drawing. One golden ticket is earned for every $30 worth of tickets sold.
   • The goal is to have all donations collected by the end of February.
   • Discussed having Venmo available as an option for payment, Wendy will follow up.

VI. Committee Chair Reports

a. Administration and Membership Development – Carissa
   Not present, no report

b. Finance and Grants – Nicole Campione-Barr
   Not present, no report

c. Fun Day March 14th – Valerie Freed and Carissa Havens – see above

d. Staff and Teacher Appreciation – Erica Canlas
   • Not present. Teacher treats will be provided this Friday

e. Promotion, Outreach, and Volunteerism – vacant
   • Ukatsu and CPS have made contact desiring to present during an upcoming meeting

f. School Principal and Operational Support – Carissa Havens
   Not present, no report

g. Family Events and School Spirit
   • Inquiry made as if the ice cream social will fall under family events

VII. Adjourn

• Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 11th at 6:30.