

Rockwell Elementary PTO Minutes
September 13, 2022 6:00pm

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Members Present: Sarah Rao (President), Jessica Ehlers (Treasurer), Jennifer Walden (Principal), Dee Kohl, Abby Petitt (Secretary), Amy Schuldt (K Teacher) , Sarah Polzin, Erin Nichols, Jen Scheiber, Lilliana
- II. Principal Report
 - A. Everyone is buzzing and happy to be back! It's going to be an amazing year!
 - B. Don't forget Picture Day this Friday Sept. 16th
- III. Treasurer's Report
 - A. Previous treasurer departed with their students no longer being at Rockwell. Jessica Ehlers graciously took on the role bringing years of experience.
 - B. With the role changes things are still in transitions
 - C. A couple of expenses noted off the Income Statement including a Scholastic Book Order for Birthday Books as well as this year's Take Home Folders
 - D. Just an FYI, Money Fund available for big ticket items like new playground equipment etc.
 - E. Budget will be further discussed once the treasurer transition is a bit more complete.
 - F. Ms. Walden noted, "We are not a "Selling" PTO" We focus our attention on family activities that everyone can participate in and enjoy. If we raise money that is great but not the primary focus.
- IV. Old Business
 - A. No Old Business to really discuss other than the Kindergarten signs given out at Back to School night seem to be a hit and are visible all around town!
- V. New Business
 - A. Fall/Halloween/Costume Chaos Party & Scholastic Book Fair
 - 1. Fall Party
 - a) Taking a new approach to get volunteers by associating a grade level with an event. The Fall Party is going to be the 1st Grade event. 1st Grade parents will be asked to volunteer first but others are welcome to as well. A sign-up genius will be sent for any remaining needs.
 - b) Party to take place on Wed 10/26 from 5:30-7:30pm
 - (1) Pairs nicely with other Halloween activities at school that day like classroom celebrations and costume parade
 - c) Activities: DJ/Music Ms. Hein, Costume Catwalk, Guess how many candy corns game, Despicable Me The Rise of Gru viewing, a calmer/darker room available for coloring, book fair and of course food/concessions
 - d) Food: Ms. Myers and Student Council will be handling concessions/food

- (1) Rocky's if able otherwise domino's pizza, hot dogs, sweet treats, water/juice and maybe Sno Cones!!
- (2) Walking Tacos suggested as they were a big hit previously. But they take a bit more coordination and volunteers so we will hold on those until a later date

2. Book Fair

- a) Will run after school starting Mon 10/24 through Wed 10/26 and then again at the Fall Party that evening.
- b) Erin Nichols volunteered to take a lead
- c) We will only have 1 cash register that allows credit cards so we may need some signs noting Cash/Check only check out

B. Teacher Treats and Meals

1. Fall Conferences set for Nov. 15th and Nov. 17th
2. Jen Scheiber volunteered to help coordinate. Will discuss plans/budget etc with Sarah R. and Ms. Walden.
3. A sign-up genius will be created and sent via Facebook

C. Quarterly Eat-Out Nights

1. These events are for families to go and "Eat Out" at a designated restaurant each quarter. The restaurants get more business and we get a portion of sales. Families get a night of cooking and help support Rockwell.
2. Dee Kohl offered to lead this again this year
3. Looking at the 1st week of October for the initial eat out night. Most likely will be Papa Murphy's for a one day thing (not the online week long code we didn't have much luck on)
4. We will try to see if we can get Principal, Teacher and the Roadrunner involvement to drum up some more excitement. Maybe they can do curbside delivery or make the pizza??

D. Sponsorships

1. Some sponsorships have already been received back but Sarah Rao will make another push
2. 3 levels of sponsorships including Gold/Silver/Bronze
3. Depending on the level sponsors receive free admittance to all PTO events, 50% a spiritwear item, concessions
4. Don't forget about Price Match Company Sponsors

E. Spiritwear

1. What do we need?
 - a) SEVERAL items discussed:
 - (1) Crew Neck Sweatshirts - Heather Grey
 - (2) Some sort of pants, leggings, yoga or flannel pajama pants with Rockwell colors (likely not available)
 - (3) Dresses?
 - (4) Sarah R. will get details on what we can and can't get
2. Kids and Adults Sizes are available

F. Some Future Events

1. Holiday Teacher Tree
2. Bingo
3. Rollerblade Night (we have rollerblades in January)
4. Teacher Appreciation Week
5. Fine Arts Night
6. Spring Conferences/Conference Meals
7. 5th Grade Breakfast
8. End of Year Picnic

VI. Adjournment

A. No Further Questions or Additions

1. Motion: Sarah Polzin
2. 2nd: Erin Nichols (and others)