



ROUND MEADOW PFA

Meeting Minutes

September 11, 2018 | *Meeting called to order by* Michelle Travinski & Felissa Noble at 8:31am

In Attendance

Tiffany Campbell, Klaudia Moran, Marilu Payne, Jody Green, Julie Charters, Alexis James, Heather Murphy, Elena Brooks, Laura Kalb, Kathie Osborne, Deborah Blohm, Karen Cohen, Gilda Zarin, Cornelia Gail, Jackie Lewis, Courtney Newman, Anna Khodorkovsky, Runya Simon, Alli Seigel, Marlene Garber, Michele Harrington, Marilyn Bell, Lisa Birnbaum, Cristie Platt, Candice Goldberg, Adriane Leiss, Christine Faktor, Katie Stern, Tiffany Cohen, Nicole Harris, Francoise Cherry-Cohen, Rachel Joshi, Kedra Griffen, Jen Burtzloff, Nicole Craer, Katie Richley, Diane Eisenstein, Maris Braun, Sara Niazi, Melinda Stern, Natalie Iaccino, Randy Iaccino, Jessica Wohlwend, Anna Hamrell, Lisa Christensen

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the prior year will be posted on the RMPFA website for approval at the next meeting.

Principal's Report

Ms. Welsh is very excited for her new position here at Round Meadow. She is impressed with the parental community and their commitment to do what is best for the kids. She has spent the beginning of the school year getting acquainted with the student and staff. Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

Budget

The budget for the current school year was distributed by the treasurer, Rachel Joshi.

Changes to budget for this year – \$575,00 income and \$575,00 expense. A brief summary of budget changes are as follows:

- Increases - Increase Book Fair to \$1500 and an increase in hospitality. We will no longer have Brent's Deli and a few other families that were donating these expenses.
- Trunk or Treat event has been added for an increase of \$2000.
- IXL - We have signed up for 2 more years for IXL and have locked in a cheaper rate for \$8000. Colt costume \$2000.
- Wages - There is a general increase in wages for our specialist.

YES Fund – The annual fund has been renamed YES Fund. Currently it is coming in at just over \$200,000 with pledges is up to \$250,000. Prior year report \$57,000 . Last years income for annual fund was \$290,000. With last years funds we were able to fund the turf and the Kinder shades within budget.

Tiffany Cohen motioned to approve the budget. After review, all voted in favor of approving the budget as presented.

Board Reports

Parliamentarian Report – We are currently researching resources to perform an audit for the PFA. Hopefully we will have more information regarding this at the meeting in October. The By-Laws are currently being revamped. There are several items that are contradictory and some reconciling needs to be done to match the existing names throughout the official documents. The new By-laws should be ready to be presented at the meeting in October.

Committee Reports

Urgent

Spirit Wear – Due to the overwhelming demand for the rebranded Spirit Wear the committee is in desperate need of additional volunteers. Any help collecting and filling orders and staffing booths for the upcoming is greatly needed. Please email spiritwear@rmpfa.org if you are available.

Upcoming Events

Movie Night – Paddington 2, food trucks will be onsite, they are taking dedications now.

Book Fair – Book Fair will be opening on the same day as Movie Night to coordinate, They will have a Donuts for Gnomes, The theme this year is Enchanted Forest.

Fall Ball Dance – The reimagined dance will be held on October 12. The theme is TBD. Although this used to be Formerly known as Father/ Daughter dance – Annual Fall Ball – Come one, come all

Trunk of Treat – This year we will be adding a new event, Trunk or Treat. The event is currently scheduled for Friday, October 26 5:00- 7:00. Families will volunteer to decorate the trunks of their cars. You can have games at your car or just decorations. We will be having each class collect candy to hand out at each stop. This event will be free for all school families. Currently they are planning on having food trucks and a DJ. Signups will be available on the website.

Open Committee Positions – The following committee are in need of chairs and volunteers.

- Spirit Chair – help raise Round Meadow spirit. Bring your creative ideas!
- Lost Items Coordinator – Once per month hanging lost items and getting them returned to students if possible. Possible volunteers: Marlene Garber, Tiffany, Mary Lou
- Birthday Banners – order banner online (already designed), mail to school, Hang up on Friday
- Reserved Seats Coordinator – help to reserve specified seats at various school functions
- Colt Patrol – Help setup signup sheets and keep classes posted
- Lunch on the Lawn (spring) – Picnic at school with kids during lunch
- Committees needing volunteer support – Art Fair, Spring Auction, Galloping Colts (Thursday Mornings, Tuesdays are covered), Wacky Wednesday, Bingo Nights, Green Team – looking for general volunteers during setup etc.

After School Enrichment

Chorus – Natalie and Mat Iaccino were present and wanted to discuss an issue that had arisen during the try-outs for Chorus. They and other parents were very concerned with how the results were relayed to the children. After auditioning the children were all brought back into the room and then all of the students were told collectively who were accepted and who was not. Concerns were brought that this was very upsetting and not the appropriate way for this to be handled. Discussions were made on how to change the approach in the future. There is also discussion about possibly having an additional class if there is enough funding

Parker Anderson – Starting next week, new classes have been added, signups are available online

Jaxx Theatrical – The new theatrical group is starting this week. Currently there are not enough students for Tuesday cast so those students have been moved to the Wednesday class.

Possible new additions for After School Enrichment:

- Orchestra class – This class would possibly go all year. They are looking at starting this in January.
- Cheer – Cheer company has offered to come do a cheer after school enrichment
- Dante – Higher level sports classes for the upper grades

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on October 9, 2018, 6:00pm here at the school.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15am.