

Ridgeline PTA Board Meeting Agenda

November 1, 2012

Conducted by: Veronica Reginato

In attendance: Dr. Higgins, Laird Sessions, Harmony Saunders, Julie Matern, Tracy Fonger, Alicia Dahl, Heather Crowder, Stephanie Jones, Julie Brinkerhoff, Mary Thomas, Veronica Reginato, Laura Harris, Andrea Coles.

Excused: Aimee Hudack

- 1 Call to Order: at 9:35am
- 2 Pledge of Allegiance and Thought: Veronica Reginato
- 3 **Secretary's Report:** Mary Thomas
- 4 **Treasurers Report:** Welcome Wendie! She can't come today, but will here next month.
 - a Tanya Parke has hereby resigned by written resignation and we have accepted her resignation. Wendy Condie has been approved to be the new Treasurer and has been approved unanimously by the Executive Board.
- 5 Training will be taking place this month
- 6 **Principal's Report:** Dr. Ken Higgins
- 7 Replacing the rugs in the Kivas with tile.
- 8 There is construction going on and will be ongoing, but they are being careful and safe.
- 9 The Marquee will be painted the same color of the school and the lettering will go back up.
- 10 Halloween: One of the best days yet. Calm and well organized
- 11 **Monday, November 12 @ 2:40pm in the Media Room**
 - a Dual Immersion and by-laws will be discussed
- 12 There is a new part of how the School is rated and the children scored in schools—IE Progress in subjects
 - a If a student doesn't make specific progress, it costs you points and lowers your rating.
 - b This has affected a lot of high score testing schools and brought down a lot of standings.
 - c This is good though because it helps teachers/educators single out students who need help or could use more special help.
 - d We have 10% learning disabilities (speech also goes into this and there are a LOT in this school)
 - e We are having Broad Band (internet speed) issues.
 - f Can't be solved right now because we have city hang-ups.
- 13 **Teacher's Report:** Laird Sessions
- 14 Student Council/High Performing Students in Math are taking out struggling Math students and tutoring them. They're doing great!
- 15 Now these students now have both Double Dosing AND Peer Tutoring.
- 16 Concerns: 4-6th grade is reading TO learn, k-3 they are LEARNING to read.
 - a If the lower performing skills don't know how to read yet, how can they progress? Sessions is feeling is that there needs to be MORE focus on the upper grade struggling students—specifically READING.
 - b Need to think of solutions—parents AND teachers!
- 17 **President's Report:** Veronica Reginato
- 18 If you have issues, come to the Community Council:
 - a No one can talk unless they are on the Check-In List
- 19 Read Today Program:
 - a We need to make sure all the TEACHERS have signed in.
 - b Read Today has ONLY two women who have access to the accounts. The only time that they use it is because they have won something.
 - c We will stream-line it as best we can.
- 20 **President-Elect's Report:** Laura Harris
- 21 All is well on the President-Elect front.
- 22 **VP's Report**
- 23 Harmony Saunders
 - a Nominating Committee: made up any three PTA members. The president can't be on the nominating committee, but he/she can help choose them.
 - b We need to come up with THREE people this week who will be on the nominating committee. We want representatives from both Suncrest and Highland.

- c **They need to be a member of PTA 30 days before they are elected (first meeting in March).**
 - d This year we will need to “HIRE” more people—probably need to make up and send out flyers (BEGINNING OF THE NOTES)
 - e Nominating Committee names: Lysie Smith, Alicia Dahl, Amy Jensen, Jen Fairbanks, Rachelle Sunderlodge
 - 24 Julie Brinkerhoff:
 - a 312 PTA members
 - b Pizza party on November 9, 2012
 - c **If you have a child in a class who’s Room Mom you haven’t heard from, PLEASE, PLEASE CONTACT US!**
 - 25 **Commissioners’ Reports:**
 - 26 **Community Involvement:** Andrea Coles
 - 27 **Education:** Julie Matern
 - a READ TODAY: we need to figure out how to motivate both teachers and students
 - 28 **Health and Safety:** Mary Thomas
 - a White Ribbon Week is doing great!
 - b **Need help decorate on Friday (tomorrow) 11-12:30pm (Pizza will be served!).**
 - 29 **Individual Development:** Alicia Dahl
 - a Sub for Santa is NOW under Individual Development (thank you Alicia!)
 - b **Reflections: Need help with this on Monday (Nov. 5)**
 - 30 **Fundraising:** Heather Crowder
 - a Domino Pizzas
 - b November 14, 2012 or 15th
 - c Classroom Sponsor Plaques
 - d **November 14 & 15 Spirit tables (Wednesday and Thursday) we NEED HELP AT SCHOOL!**
 - 31 **Family Life:** Aimee Hudack
 - a Dads and Donuts is going great!
 - 32 **Legislative:** Stephanie Jones
 - 33 **Advocacy Conference:**
 - a Bullying
 - b Suggests that we find out if our teachers are trained properly to deal with it
 - c Parents should educate themselves about how to deal with and react to when you find out about Bullies. Parents should find out how to discuss this with their children so that their children will TELL them if they’re being bullied.
 - d This will EMPOWER our children and help them feel safer.
 - e We all agreed that this NEEDS to be addressed and give the children the tools to not be bullied.
 - f Lt. Governor Bell
 - g Go through the proper channels (keep on the local level first) when you have an issue.
 - 34 **Comments or Concerns:**
 - 35 **Unfinished Business:**
 - 36 Adjournment at 10:36am. Next meeting Dec 6th @ 9:30 am
 - 37 Minutes accepted and signed for by Mary Thomas, Secretary
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- on December 6, 2012