

## MEETING MINUTES

### RICHLAND ELEMENTARY F.O.R. Club

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**Date:** 09-13-2022

**Location:** Richland

Elementary School

**Meeting Called to Order By:** Breena    **Time:** 6:00 pm.

**Executive Board Attendees:** Breena Hope; President, Emily Richley; 1st Vice President, Chelsea Walker; 2nd Vice President, Meghan Lillie; Recording Secretary, Julie Schlutz; Corresponding Secretary, and Michelle McMurty; Treasurer, and Tammie Rice; Co-Treasurer.

**Attendance:** Quorum is present

**Minutes:** no minutes to approve

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#### **Kindness Club-** Jordan Brown

- Kindness club will have a kindness ambassador at flag salute to recognize people who have shown acts of kindness throughout the month.
- They have not met yet because they are part of student council and they have not yet met.
- They have been helping with the kindness tree during Raise Craze by keeping it stocked and picking up apples that have fallen.
- Anybody who wants to be in the kindness club can be in the kindness club just by being kind.

#### **Welcome, Introductions, and Teacher Grant Program:** Breena Hope

- All 14 participants introduced themselves.
- We have \$8,000 to disperse to teachers. Teachers can fill out a grant form and get items they need funded.
- Because we met our raise craze goal there is now \$10,000 in the teacher grant fund.
- The first submission is for the entire 3rd grade to get Scholastic News. It was approved by the board for \$864 dollars.

#### **Financials Update:** Michelle McMurty

- 2021-22 Financials

- 2022-23 Budget
  - We are funding a STEAM coordinator for the second half of the year and STEAM activities until then.
  - We are funding half of the school counselor salary.
  - We are funding the teacher grant program.
  - We have some carry over charges from last year for Mad Science, yearbook, and Carnival.
  - In August we made \$900 in opt out donations and we got the COVID community grant for \$5,500.
  - We spent \$2,100 on spirit wear so far this year but we have made \$3500.
  - Yogurtland made \$152.

**Mustang Market/Website:** Meghan Lillie

- We will be having our first Mustang Market of the school year on the the 30th of September from 7:45-9:00am. We will be selling spirit wear and gear.
- The Rush Coffee is booked through the year so we don't have them coming anymore.

**Volunteer Opportunities and Room Parents:** Julie Schlutz

- We have a lot of needs for volunteers especially around carnival. Coordinators Entertainment, raffle, cake walk, plant walk, volunteer, donations, and 5th grade.
- We are still in the need of a few room parents. Hanyak, Menchaca, and Sanchez.

**STEAM Enrichment Programs:** Breana Hope

- Currently we have Mad Science coming in and doing one grade level per week.
- Art Beat will be coming in later in the fall to do art with each grade level for 6 weeks.
- When we come back from break we will have a STEAM coordinator who will be teaching STEAM classes.
- We will be doing another iFly session. Times TBD.

**Yearlong Fundraisers:** Julie Schlutz

- There are many yearlong fundraisers that support Richland.
  - Box Tops now can be submitted digitally.
  - Amazon Smile
  - Ralph's you just need to tie your rewards phone number to Richland.
  - Green Flash Pest Control
  - Chemdry carpet cleaning
  - Farm Fresh to You
- Carnival sponsorships are available.
- Mustang Market will be the last Friday of the month.

**Principal Update:** Julie Morgan

- Teachers get to see their new classrooms tomorrow. We are still planning on opening after the winter break.
- The district is really working on enhanced safety. Julie, our school psychologist, and counselor are being trained to be specialists in safety.

**Teacher Rep. Update:** Meghan Lillie

- Angela reached out to teachers about any questions, comments, or concerns. There was no response from the teachers.

**Raise Craze:** Emily Richley

- Raise Craze is going great. We are at \$37,424 so far. There have been 3,442 acts of kindness performed, and 631 students registered which is 75% of students.

**Carnival:** Chelsea Walker

- Carnival is on October 22 from 2:00-6:00.
- We are always in need of volunteers especially with the Dad's Committee.
- We need a lot of help with set up and clean up, this is where a Dad's Committee will be helpful.
- We are need of local vendors for our non-food vendors.
- We are trying to get rid of some of our old booths so we can bring in some new ones.

- We are still in need of one or two more food vendors. We have enough sweet treats but we need more hearty food.
- We are still in need of more raffle prizes and big ticket items.
- We are going to offer online ticket sales. As part of this process parents can donate tickets to families who wouldn't be able to afford to attend.

**Yearbook:** Michelle McKinny

- We have sold 50 books so far.
- We have only sold 1 Sailing On ad.
- Until October 23rd soft covers will be \$20 and hard covers will be \$30.

**Dine-Outs:** Vanessa Schoenherr

- Dine-outs are all set for the fall.
  - Rubio's- September 21st
  - My Yard Live- October 12th
  - Sky Zone- November 10th
- We are starting to work on spring dine-outs.
- We are going to start doing wine-outs. Once a month a grade level will meet at a location to meet other parents of the same grade level. It is a chance for parents to get to know each other. The first one is October 6th at My Yard Live for kindergarten.

**Pony Pals:** Chellee Sanders

- We are doing birthday cards for staff members.
- We are doing a thank you for teachers for helping with Raise Craze. They will get a thank you note and a little pastery on Friday.
- Of the 51 people who signed up for Pony Pals we only have 31 participants so we need 20 more parents to sign up.
- If you have questions about Pony Pals please email Chellee so we are not bothering Chelsea and Gaby.

**Roundtable:**

Meeting Adjournment: 7:01 pm

Minutes Compiled by: Meghan Lillie