

MEETING MINUTES

RICHLAND ELEMENTARY F.O.R. Club

Date: 10-5-2021

Location: zoom

Meeting Called to Order By: Breena

Time: 6:32 pm.

Executive Board Attendees: Breena Hope; President, Emily Richley; 1st Vice President, Angela Brown; 2nd Vice President, Meghan Lillie; Recording Secretary, Allison Bowcock; Corresponding Secretary, Martha Schattman; Co-Treasurer, and Tammie Rice; Co-Treasurer.

Attendance: Quorum is present

Minutes: Minutes not approved

Welcome and Introductions:

- We received a donation of \$500 dollars from Nelson Family Orthodontics. This was given as a PE donation. PE will be ordering new equipment with this money.
- Ukulele sign-ups will go out this Friday in the e-blast. 35 primary grade students will be able to attend on Wednesday mornings and 35 upper grade students will be able to attend on Friday mornings. Siblings will be able to be placed together. Classes will begin October 20th and they will be at 7:40am-8:30am.
- We received a \$100 donation for carnival booths.

Financials Update:

- Raise Craze netted \$23,599 and we spent \$950 on setting up the fundraiser.
- Mustang Market/Spirit Wear has made \$2,908 and we have spent \$3,283 items to sell in the market.
- We have had a total of \$40 in yearbook sales so far.
- We spent \$788 dollars to support the math curriculum at school.

Mustang Market/Website:

- We had our first ever in person Mustang Market and we had a great turnout.
- We are working on adding more items to sell at upcoming markets.
- Rush Coffee will be at our next Mustang Market on October 29th at 7:45am.

- The website is updated with the yearbook and Halloween Carnival information.

STEAM Enrichment Programs:

- We have two more Fleet Science Center assemblies left; one for fourth grade and one for fifth grade. All other grades have already had their assemblies.
- Our next STEAM program is after school on Wednesdays beginning October 27th and running through November 17th. It is a Mobile Maker Lab from Cal. State San Marcos. STEM ambassadors will work with students on a different activity each week.
 - Spooky spider
 - Rubber band
 - Constellations
 - Hydraulics
- Sign-ups will begin Friday. To start we are allowing students to sign up for one of the four weeks only. If we have more room we will allow them to sign up for more weeks at a later time. Each class will cost \$5 per student, this can be paid via Venmo or with cash.
- After Winter break we will begin Engineering with iFly.
- More information on what we are doing for art and math is coming soon.
- Raise Craze was such a success that we have extra money for STEAM. The FOR Club will be giving teachers \$10 per student to use to purchase STEAM materials to be used in the classroom. We would love direction from teachers whether they would like to spend this money as a grade level versus individual classes. Per Julie this will be discussed at leadership on Wednesday. We would like to include preschool as well in this.

Raise Craze:

- Raise Craze was a big success. Richland students performed over 1,500 Acts of Kindness and raised \$25,460. Raise Craze only takes 7% of the profits so we netted \$23,599.
- Only 296 students participated in the fundraiser this year. Next year we need to boost participation and get more students involved.

- In a demonstration of kindness Mrs. Mendiola's class who earned a popsicle party asked to give their party to Mrs. Joyce's class. We ended up including both classes in the popsicle party.
- The Mayor gave a proclamation that August 30 through September 24 was kindness month in San Marcos. This proclamation will be on display in the office.
- The FOR Club asked how the staff at Richland felt about the fundraiser and the following are some responses:
 - Mrs. Sowchowski appreciated the kindness fundraiser, she felt it was inspirational and nice to do something different for a fundraiser.
 - Teachers wish there was more information given about what the fundraiser was.
 - Prizes and dress up days were fun and appropriate.
 - It exceeded expectations.
 - It met its purpose.
- The lunch bunch with the principal went well. The kids got slushies and had fun.

Principal Update:

- Julie shared the School Plan for Student Achievement or the school's goals for the school year. This plan is put together based on goals the district has set and school goals. There will be progress checks on the goals in January and at the end of the year.

Goal 1- High quality instruction

Goal 2- To provide a multi-tiered system of support so 75% of students are proficient.

To achieve this each grade level will focus on 3-5 essential standards a semester.

There will be before and after school intervention. ELA intervention started last week and math will begin next week. In school intervention (double dosing) will be provided for students who are below proficient in the focus standards. Enrichment opportunities will also be provided for students who need it both in school and as extra curricular activities.

Goal 3- Social and Emotional Support for students. Mrs. Engler is now full time and proactively teaching social/emotional lessons weekly in classes.

Goal 4- Parent Engagement. We want to increase the amount of parents attending family events at the school.

Goal 5- PLC. Teachers are working together to help students reach 100% proficiency on the focus essential standards.

- The School Plan for Student Achievement will be shared with FOR Club, School Site Council, and ELAC. It will then be submitted to the district for approval.
- In February there will be meetings to check in on the goals.
- FOR Club is assisting with this by providing math materials and paying for an aid that is supporting teachers.

Teacher Rep. Update:

- Angela reached out to teachers about any questions, comments or concerns.
 - Mrs. Zimmer is wondering if we will be needing candy donations for the Halloween Carnival. At this time we are not asking for them but we will always take them.
 - Mrs. Sowchowski loved the out-of-the-box thinking of the FOR Club this year. Some examples were holding student store in the park, changing carnival hours based on a survey sent to parents, and pushing through with carnival despite the construction. She also said thank you for Raise Craze.

Yearbook:

- Yearbooks are on sale now. The early bird cost is \$20 for a soft cover, \$25 for a soft cover with the student's name printed on it, and \$30 for a hard cover.
- We need to ask teachers for pictures of events inside the classroom or/and access to class Instagram accounts so we have more content for the yearbook.

Carnival:

- The best place for donations to be dropped off is the office.
- On the day of carnival volunteers will be checking in at the preschool gate.
- Communication about carnival is going home weekly. Every Wednesday flyers will go home in the Wednesday Envelope. We are sending out the carnival chronicle weekly. We will also be doing weekly e-blasts. There are social media posts going out and information is on the website as well.

- Costume sales will be on October 19th, we need to see if they want to extend that to the night of the haunted house too.
- Haunted House
 - Green Flash is donating the fencing needed to build the haunted house.
 - Allison found a company that will set up and tear down the haunted house. We need to see if they can do the tear down on Sunday or after school on Monday.
 - We have all 4 quadrants of the haunted house and plenty of decorations for the space we are filling.
 - The haunted house will be open on Friday from 6:00-8:00. It will be scary only tours. Kona Ice and Cafe Milan food trucks will also be there.
- Raffle and Food Vendors
 - The raffle will be all virtual this year and it is up and tickets can be purchased.
 - We are giving out prizes for students who sell the most raffle tickets and a silly string party for the class that sells the most tickets.
 - Some of the big ticket prizes we have this year are: boys and girls bike, Halo scooter, Disneyland park hopper tickets, American Girl Doll, Nintendo Switch console, Friday Night Lights registration, and a Pit Boss Smoker.
 - The Raffle baskets will be themed.
- Game Booths and Non-food Vendors
 - We are having success with non-food vendors. We have a large variety of vendors (realtors, a construction company, dentists, and varied craft/art sales).
 - The games that needed to be built/repared are almost done and should be done by Monday or sooner.
- The next carnival meeting will be on October 12th via Zoom at 2:00.

Dine-Outs:

- Rush Coffee will be here on the 29th but they need to know where to park. They can park by the park, we can save spots for them with our cars.
- Menchie's made \$100.

Hibernate:

- The Hibernate fundraiser will begin in November.

Meeting Adjournment: 7:01 pm

Minutes Compiled by: Meghan Lillie