



Riverview Elementary Parent Teacher Partnership

PTP Meeting
Tuesday, April 17, 2018

Call to order: 6:30

Welcome – Marjane

PTP Project Teams

- **Read-a-Thon**
 - Pizza party on Friday
 - Top 10 from each grade (except 11 from K because of tie and 6 from 5th grade) announced at Family Fun Night & at school on Tuesday 4/17
 - Raised around \$5000
 - Certificates new this year – positive feedback from students on this
 - Also positive feedback on having 2 weeks for read-a-thon this year
- **PIE – Heidi**
 - No updates
- **Luncheon Coordinator – Mary**
 - **Teacher Appreciation Week:**
 - Monday – Donut bar (donut, fresh fruit, coffee)
 - Tuesday – Trail Mix bar
 - Wednesday – Nacho bar
 - Thursday – Dessert Day
 - Friday – Mobile Snack Cart (take snack cart around to classrooms)
 - Dr. Grengs will get total staff count to Marjane
- **Free Money – *****
 - **Box tops:** Last meeting ~\$980; have a few big pick-ups over the last few weeks and after Family Fun Night; smaller drop boxes ordered for each grade level house
- **Spirit Wear – Amber**
 - Family Fun night went well, lots of volunteers – only issue was running out of change
 - Open over BOGO book fair in May
 - Unsure if was open over Grand Day in previous years but if able to coordinate, would like to do it this year – Amber will talk to volunteer coordinator to set up this request
 - Possibly set up table near book fair/reception area
 - Planning schedule for next year, to be open a little more often, possibly some evenings for Kid Connection pick up

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- Camp Pepin cookie dough pick up night is another idea for opening next year
- Saturday morning basketball times is also a productive time
- Could be open during Track and Field day
- **Book Fair** – Jen
 - BOGO book fair 5/14-18 (5/18 is Grand Day)
 - Open before school and after school but not during evening hours
 - Definitely open during Grand Day
 - Open during Parent Preview for Grand Day as well
 - Maybe include a reminder in the invite to parents to stop by the BOGO book fair
 - We do have 2 people to take over book fair coordination
 - Shadowed during last book fair and should shadow during the BOGO fair too
- **Volunteer Coordinators** – Lindsey
 - Nothing to update
 - Ready for new volunteer items
- **Tiger Pantry** – Christina
 - No updates
- **Family Fun Night** – Gretchen
 - Not quite as busy as last year, but still quite busy
 - Sold 303 hot dog baskets
 - Face painter expressed appreciation & looks forward to coming back – feedback from painter that our kids were very well mannered and well behaved
 - Have quite a few leftover things, could use for Teacher Appreciation and will use chips and pop for pizza party
 - We do also have quite a bit of leftover candy
 - Could use for the SRC prize cart
 - Can sell opened box candy and bottles of water in the Spirit Wear store
 - Could also set up a table for Track and Field day (June 1st) to sell snacks and water
 - Not quite sure how much we made this year yet,
 - Raffle prizes were great – great donations; got contact information for additional prizes for next year
 - Some feedback to maybe draw raffle winners before the Family Fun Night
 - A lot of people liked cash option better than tickets
 - Long lines for face painters
 - Some feedback to not do such elaborate face painting to possibly move the line along more quickly

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- Possibly have more face painters (but would need to consider a small fee to cover the cost)
- Consider having high school students help with face painting
- Very helpful to have the high school students

Principal Report – Dr. Grengs

- Thank you to all of the staff, volunteers, and high school students who helped put on Family Fun Night
- MCA math testing on 4/23
- Planning to release trout on 4/25 – not sure if the weather will change current plans
- Please check the RVES calendar for upcoming events
- Continue to check RVES Facebook and Twitter feeds for ongoing communication on school events
 - Many staff members have access to update the FB and Twitter feeds
- Thanks to everyone for being a part of PTP

Financial Report – Wendy

- No updates today

Funding Requests – Marjane

- 2 tabled from last meeting (more information needed):
 - Sondag kits for kindergarten - \$1047 - **APPROVED**
 - District does not pay
 - The corporation who supplies them has provided free cost kits in the past
 - This would benefit kindergarten for years to come
 - Nancy Carlson author visit – \$850 (\$800 fee + cost of lunch for a group) - **APPROVED**
 - All elementary schools will participate – if we choose not to, we'd be the only school not participating
 - Nancy Carlson will come spend the day
 - All students will get to meet the author
 - Smaller group will meet with her and have a lunch
- Play Bins for Break times for kids – 3rd grade – \$1000-1500 per teacher - **TABLED**
 - Inspired by Global Day of Play
 - How can we bring more joy into the classroom?
 - Make connections from play to learning

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- Requesting money to buy things for toy bins (gears, puzzle mats, Legos, Mad Libs, building blocks, Rush Hour, STEM based activities)
- Suggestion to create a Sign Up Genius to send to parents with a link to Amazon where parents can order games or activities
- Also can solicit donations of Legos from families
- First step is to try for donations from families to see what we get, then bring back for PTP vote to fund other items that we don't get
- Math Manipulatives (3rd grade) – \$1000 – **APPROVED**
 - Kids learning through hands-on games and activities during Math Menu time
 - Teachers spend lots of time packing and unpacking items (lots of prep time)
 - Would like to package all items in activities and then could be stored permanently and used in the Math Resource Room (this would benefit other grades as well)
- Dancing Sue (3rd grade) – \$3000 - **APPROVED**
 - Funding for next year
 - This is in the budget already
- Idea to modify the funding request sheet to include if this is a recurring request and/or how many years they've received this funding (to provide context for PTP decision making)
- Also idea to require teachers to present their funding request if it is greater than \$500
- Could we have some of these as consent agenda items so that all requests don't have to be presented at the PTP meeting
- Teachers are very careful about using the district supply budget – staff does a great job of managing this which allows a lot of funding needs to be covered out of that

Board Positions – President and Dr. Grengs are working on an email for board members for next year so anyone who will not be able to fulfill their responsibilities for next year should let Jamie & Marjane know.

- Board will continue to meet on Tuesdays through the summer to plan for next year.

Adjourned at 7:45

Upcoming PTP Dates

Meetings are at 6:30 in the Multipurpose Room

May 15, 2018

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