

ROCKY MOUNTAIN ACADEMY OF EVERGREEN PTO - MEETING MINUTES

November 11, 2021, 4:00 pm

Ms. Tapp's Classroom, RMAE Campus (main building, upper floor, last door on the left)

1. Call to Order: Welcome and Introduction of New Attendees (Kate/Valerie)
 - New Attendees: Lisa Best, Ian Dunbar, Anna Grose
 - Aja Cary motioned to approve minutes, Kate seconded
2. Minutes: Review and vote of October Meeting Minutes (Erin M)
[October 14 PTO Meeting Minutes](#)
3. Principal's Report (Dr. Hudson)
 - Rocky Road is open!
 - Playground Update: Concrete for the retaining wall has been held up. Pouring is meant to happen Monday or Tuesday, backfill Wednesday, and mulch Thursday. Recess will be held on Rocky Road for a few days in order to not impact PE class.
 - Den is ahead of schedule! Ceiling tiles are going up, windows are being installed, and half of the doors are on their way, the other half are back ordered.
 - Ambassador Program: The Ambassadors are very busy with lots of families making inquiries. The goal is to increase enrollment by 9 students. There was an open house last week where prospective parents had the opportunity to speak with the teachers their kid(s) would have.
 - Student Council is working on the school dance which will be held the second or third week in January.
 - MAP Testing will take place the week after Thanksgiving Break.
 - Leadership Team of teachers both primary and specials.

Addition Update from Assistant Principal Anna Grose:

 - Anna has formed a committee for activities for students to be held at the beginning, middle and end of the year. The next activities will be a door decorating contest for the holidays. Doors may be worked on starting 12/6 and completed by 12/10. Judging will start on 12/13 and the completed judges sheets will be returned by noon on 12/15. Erin Parrett and Erin Myers will be the judges.
4. RMAE Board of Directors Notes (Kjersten Ostrom-Condojani)
 - Kjersten thanked the PTO for a great Trunk or Treat and commented on how amazing the Haunted Hall was.
 - Strategic Plan was updated and approved. It lays out benchmarks and goals and will be available on the website.
 - Charter Renewal is almost complete, just needs to be voted on. It is an agreement between RMAE Board and JeffCo Board. The 5 year renewal details RMAE finances, safety, enrollment and academics. The final vote will take place next week and is due to JeffCo 12/1. JeffCo will vote on it in February. It is important that RMAE parents and staff attend the JeffCo meeting 11/16 at 6:30 to get public comments in support of the school as there are 3 new Board members who may not be pro charter schools.
5. Treasurer's Summary (Tom) "How's It Going"

Annual Giving Update

- Year to date ~\$63 in giving income for RMAE (28% increase yoy)

- FY 20/21 ~49k
- FY 19/20 ~35k
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Middle School Net Incomes this Fiscal Year

- Jimmy John's \$15,624.51
- Pizza \$23,654.12
- Fro Yo \$10,770.43

Notable Budget Variances

- Grocery Cards are at %40 for the year after two full months of school
- Spirit Wear is at %30 for the year
- Movie Night is at %62 for the year
- We've only spent %12 on teacher engagement, more in the budget

Future Actions Items

- Tax Return (SBACPA) Taxes are due
- Review Escrowed funds at ENB with RMAE
 - Future vote on appropriate disposition to RMAE

6. RMAE Community Events and Activities (Aja)

Past Events

- Movies with Teachers (Nicole Folino/Cody)
 - Moving forward will switch to Tuesdays and end at 5:00.
- Trunk or Treat (Jennie Page/Aja)

Current/Upcoming

- Community Giving/Food Drive (Pam Silin/Kate)
- Hearthfire Book Fair (Dec 6-10, Cody)
- Cookies and Photos with Santa (Dec 12, Cody)- \$35/family which includes one digital photo
- Warren Miller Movie Event (Kim Fox/Kate)
 - Still seeking sponsors-\$6,000 of \$7,000 reached
 - 340 tickets to be sold
 - Boone is a major sponsor
 - No silent auction this year
 - Raffle will be run by Sabrina Outland
- End of Year Party - Ninja Warrior Course (Cody)

7. Fundraising Updates (Cody)

- Food Fundraiser Updates - New Chairs for Jimmy Johns are Joanne Gomez and Brittany Pegasus
- September Baskin Robbins Fundraiser Update
 - 12 cakes purchased raising \$60
- Next: Slife's Fundraiser (Nov 7-14)

8. Communications (Jill)

- Update on Art Contest/Print Directory winner is Eloise Toussaint!
 - Mark Edmonds did the graphic design

- Jill will be proofreading it this week
- Waiting on a quote for 200 copies

9. Other Topics

- Volunteerism Report (Jill)
 - October Hours: 852 (122 different volunteers)
 - Total Hours (July 1-Current): 2,660
- Teacher Appreciation (Sonya Sava/Kristin Hoppes/Kate/Aja) Kristin provided a coffee and treat cart for the teachers and staff and they loved it! Possible idea for next month is a hot chocolate bar. Valerie commented that Teacher Appreciations helps to bridge the gap between teachers and the PTO with the goal of getting more teachers involved and she thanked the Ms. Best and Mr. Dunbar for attending.
- PTO sponsored lunch for the month for families in need. Teachers would nominate a family (a form will be created for them to use), we will use funds from Jimmy Johns to pay for it.

10. Announcements (Kate)

- October Volunteer Hours Raffle Winner - Camille Tucker!!
- Next PTO Meeting 12/9, 4:00pm
- Dr. Hudson suggested meeting early for the next meeting at the new building so attendees can see it before the meeting begins.

11. Adjournment 6:07pm