



RIJMS PTO

Monday, January 13, 2020

Meeting was called to order by President, Jennifer McManaman at 6:31pm. The President, Jennifer McManaman, welcomed everyone, and the Pledge of Allegiance was said by all in attendance.

Jennifer McManaman, the President called for approval of the November '19 meeting minutes. Mr. Novinski, the Principal made the motion, Jennifer McManaman, the President, seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report Kathy Gruber the Treasurer was in attendance. Kathy Gruber gave the Treasurer's report. Kathy Gruber, the Treasurer, shared the PTO paid for some grants, media furniture, Battle of the Books, the fall dinner and the holiday dinner. There was a big deposit of \$18,175.50 from our big, Step Up fundraiser. There is a little more money from the School Store and Membership coming in. We paid for the student PRIDE Awards from Culver's and the Teachers Pride Target awards. Also, we received a check from Shoparoo. Mr. Novinski, the Principal explained we also got a check from Box Tops.

Principal's Report given by Tom Novinski Principal. Mr. Novinski, the Principal, welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mr. Novinski, the Principal shared the holiday luncheon in December was amazing, there was a plethora of gift cards the parents were very generous this year and the food was great. IREADY Testing is going on now. We tried something new this year, testing was for two periods in the same day. The Spelling Bee is coming up, it is scheduled for January 23 & 24; Mrs. Domabyl will be requesting money to help support the Spelling bee. The 5th grade students received their encore forms. The 8th students will be measured for gowns February 3; which is also a SIP or an early release day, they will do their 2nd Panaroma survey, 6th grade students will do the suicide screening. The Ira Jones presentation of the Little Mermaid show was amazing. Eventually, we will request a camera for the yearbook club with PTO money. Kathy, the Treasurer, confirmed she turned in the Target gift cards that Mr. Novinski, the Principal, had requested.

Committee Reports:

Box Tops: Lorrie Walker Box Tops Chair was in attendance and gave the report. Lorrie Walker the Box Tops Chair shared she found the Box Top App and installed it. She reviewed setting up the app and how to get reports from it, suggested incentives and was able to add \$21.80 from scanning Box Tops. Mr. Novinski, the Principal, requested Lorrie provide directions to the PTO board, the board tries the suggested practices and based on our feedback we work to set up a program for February/March or beyond. According to Lorrie, there are three different videos on the website on how to do this.

CAPE: Lorrie Walker was in attendance. Lorrie Walker, the CAPE representative shared the focus is now on CAPE awards. Ira Jones will be responsible for providing representative to help with setup. Lorrie Walker, the CAPE representative handed off the provided directions for CAPE awards. In February there is a cut off for award nominations and March 24 is the award ceremony. Jennifer McManaman, the President shared that the Ira Jones nominations have been sent out and the deadlines are set up. February 5th will be the Ira Jones deadline. February 21st is when CAPE needs pictures, etc. It was also shared that the nominations have started to come in from teachers and staff.

Hospitality: Julie Steben, the Vice President and the Hospitality chair shared the hospitality report. Julie Steben, the Vice President and Hospitality Chair, shared she was grateful for volunteers and donations. She also felt the quantities of food were good. The next event, Teacher's Appreciation, will be May 4-8.

Membership: Chrissy Jenks the Membership chair was unable to attend. Jennifer McManaman, the President shared there was no report.

Spirit Wear: Allison Jordan the Spirit Wear chair was unable to attend. Jennifer McManaman the President spoke with her and shared there is no update.

Volunteer Coordinator (for School Store, Student Council, Book Fair and Pride Incentives)

School Store Kelly Conlon-Hockman, the Volunteer Coordinator was able to attend. Kelly Conlon-Hockman, the Volunteer Coordinator, shared they ordered more pencils and sewing kits. There are still some volunteer spots open for the School Store and the PRIDE Incentives. Jennifer McManaman the President shared she posted a request for volunteers on the Ira Jones PTO and Parents Facebook pages.

Student Council: Kelly Conlon-Hockman, the Volunteer Coordinator was in attendance and there was no report

Pride Incentives- Kelly Conlon-Hockman, the Volunteer Coordinator, who was in attendance, shared there are still some volunteer spots open for the School Store and the PRIDE Incentives. Jennifer McManaman the President shared she posted a request for volunteers on the Ira Jones PTO and Parents Facebook pages. Mr. Novinski the Principal shared the PRIDE Incentives will be hot chocolate and ice cream sandwiches.

Book Fair- Kelly Conlon-Hockman, the Volunteer Coordinator was able to attend and there was no report.

Old Business:

New Business: Jennifer McManaman made the motion for the approval of the updated By Laws for the PTO, Julie Steben the Vice President seconded the motion; the only change was the date. Everyone in attendance agreed. Copies of the updated By Laws were distributed to the required PTO board members.

Open Forum for Concerns/Issues/Discussions:

Next Meeting: February 10, 2020 at 6:30

Upcoming Events: No School 1/20
8th Grade Explorer Night at PNHS 1/22
5 Essentials Survey

Meeting adjourned 6:56pm.