

PTO GENERAL MEETING
AGENDA & Meeting Notes
Wednesday, October 18, 2023
10:00 AM

I. Call to Order & Welcome – 10:00 AM

II. By-Laws

- Review of updates and vote
- Sarah T: all the same save a couple changes in financial section to update security measures / processes – need now to have a board member and registered volunteer to count cash to keep accounting and track by bills. Form will now be in PTO folder and on website and used for any event when there is cash collected. Ensures accurate process and accountability. Also changes re Section 4 re board members – each check had to have 2 signature’s, now changed to authorized signatures (president and treasurer) and bank to reflect longtime process.
- Moved and voted unanimously to approve – passed.
- Sarah will put form and updated bylaws on website.

III. Principal’s Report

- Thankful for all the food/treats with conferences. These conferences were a little different, kid own/driven. Wish they could be longer but only 15 contractually allowed and it was smoother this year. Lots of families participated, especially 6th graders.
- Next month, Principal Sara plans to present school work plan

IV. Calendar of Events – Report Outs & Upcoming Events

- Coyote Run results – 28700 plus – almost \$29000 raised. Target was \$30K. Lots of fun, volunteers – thanks to all. Donuts brought in for winning advisory classes, and all student thank you in November.
- Fall Conferences – tons of food brought in
- Monster Mash – Fri, 10/27
 - back gym will be open

- hand/candy craft to try and address clean up/make easier. Bottled water will be available instead of cups.
- Costumes encouraged but optional; there will be a DJ in the commons. Glow theme with options for bracelets/glow sticks
- 3 photo booths for kids, DIY with photos
- Craft table for those who may want to sit and chat
- Decorated pumpkin theme – flyer in library (bring it from home one that is already decorated). Voting by kids at dance and awarded amazon card at the dance. Maybe a candy count contest too,
- Want to have options for kids who don't want to dance or bball or vball
- This year, there is a \$5 fee for entry, get a stamp and get in – if they don't preregister, they have to come with a parent and pay there (cash or venmo) so encouraging preregistration. We have 30 kids registered, but folks wait til last minute.
- Discussion re Social Media / RR PTO – newsletter goes to EVERY family and that is likely the best way to get home; to kids, it can get in advisory news to classrooms. Principal Sara will put in reminders in newsletters from now to event to help make sure folks are aware, especially 8th grade students.
- Volunteers – still needed and link / sign up genius (but register thru help counter) sent out

- Other Events:

Reminder about volunteering – register at <http://www.helpcounter.net/wlww>. Background checks are good for 2 years.

V. Treasurer's Report

- Monster Mash being uploaded as folks sign up and processed.
- Sound system check cleared (will be in use at Monster Mash)
- Coyote run processed.

VI. Other Updates

- [Spirit Wear](#)
- No-Idling Campaign (update from Charity)

- i. Idea was well received by Andrew/school district. Recognizes its an issue at RR and Trillium with pickup/line up with folks leaving engines on while waiting.
- ii. We don't have option of security/enforcement, but maybe signage to inform (banner saying no idling, then avoids need to put in / take out signage daily). At Trillium, principal asked parents to stop idling and they are putting up signs and working on enforcement/asking parents (they are a platinum level school).
- iii. Sara M – noted that operations needs to approve all signage – something like “RR supports no idling”
- iv. Agreement it makes folks aware/think about it, banner solves some issues – needs a mockup and then once approved, district would install.
- v. Discussion re district sustainability meeting and info. Discussion re Bolton's practices re food/utensils. Work parties for middle and high school don't work – district doesn't have staff to make it happen
- vi. Upcoming event for sustainability network – information and dinner (10/28) on district page???

VII. New Business

1. Sunset Costume Collection/Clothing drive – looking for donations. Discussion of various options for recycling, supporting fellow schools (bottle drop, etc.) Wants to be student led – various items/ideas discussed.
2. **Coyote Crew – new student mentors program.** Sara explained that Coyote Crew is in flux/change, no longer student council and now more mentorship
 - a. **Idea** assemble a list of ideas, volunteer opportunities and get to kids – may be more effective way of recruiting / involving students with student to student recruitment.

VIII. Q&A

IX. Adjournment – at 11:03 AM

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