PTO Meeting October 21, 2019

Meeting called to order at 12:31PM

Member's Present:

Natalie Kaiser Kelly Kroskey Jackie Bauer LeAnne Smith Raewyn Galloway Liah Lopez Maranda McSpadden Ms. Smith Christie Hendrie

Principal's Report:

Ms. Smith discussed that the board presentation is to take place this evening, 10/21/19. Some of the kids that are participating in CFC will be present to show what they are currently doing.

Milestone data from 2018 tests will be available to discuss. 2019 scores will come out 10/25/19.

PTO communication was also discussed and how that should be handled. It was decided that it would be handled via email, Ms. Smith would take care of it. She also gave us permission to use IC message if needed.

Ms. Smith also discussed vaping and whether it is a concern at RSMS, which it is not as of now. One vaping pen was found at the auditorium.

We also discussed having more information on the Facebook page, such as about the dance this week.

Ms. Smith also let us know about a forum that will be taking place. On Tuesday, November 12 at 7:00 PM a community awareness event will be hosted at Whitewater High School Auditorium. The guest speaker will be Dr. Jared Cavanaugh from the Georgia Poison Center who will discuss the dangers of vaping. Students grades 6-12 and parents are encouraged to attend.

President's Report:

The meetings were approved from the September and October 2019 General PTO Meetings by Maranda and were seconded by Kelly.

8th grade Career Day was discussed. It is on November 7, 2019 and the school asked the PTO to send out an email requesting volunteers, it was done and we have enough parents now that have signed up. RSMS will be representing Pinewood at this event, which is from from 8AM-2PM.

Liah discussed the Veteran's Day Program, which is scheduled for 11/11/19 @ 8:30AM. She discussed her needs; volunteers, supplies. She will be sending out an email in the beginning of November in regards to this.

The Panther Pride Dance, which is to take place on Friday, October 25, 2019; 3:15-5:00. Volunteers have been requested for this event.

Treasure's Report:

LeAnne Discussed the budget, not much has changed since the General Board Meeting earlier this month. She has given out most of the necessary reimbursements. Three additional Chick-fil-A gift cards were purchased and given to Terri Morgan for bus driver appreciation. We did discuss the possibility of doing an audit to ensure that our books are accurate.

Committee Reports:

Hospitality: Veteran's Program was discussed, as mentioned above. In November, teachers will be getting a morning treat. We will be having Donuts for Teachers, looking to do this on 11/8/19. Donuts are going to be purchased from Publix, as we can get them for \$.60 per donut.

Gift wrapping for the teachers was also discussed, which will take place on 12/11, 12/12 and 12/13. 10 teachers can sign up per day to drop off gifts. We will need 6-8 people per shift to wrap gifts, a PTO member is required everyday to ensure that gifts do not get misplaced. An email will be sent out requesting volunteers and supplies.

School Program: (Popcorn, Ice Cream, Lunch)

Kelly reported that the volunteers for these activities are not as many as in the past. Possible more requests should be sent out.

Box Tops: Raewyn updated us with a total which is \$124.40 as of now. Physical BoxTops need to be turned into school by 11/1/19.

Spirit Wear: Last order should be delivered around 10/31/19.

8th Grade Dance: No new updates.

8th Grade Picnic: Updated about possible inflatable company that we may use. Advised that different t-shirts will be used this year, which will be an additional \$1 in cost per shirt. Also discussed purchasing water bottles, the same ones that Liah used for the staff. We discussed t-shirt design.

Staff Appreciation Days: No new updates.

New Business:

General PTO Meeting December 3, 2019. During this meeting, Cyber Security will be discussed by Mike Hendrie and Jim Farmer is going to be asked if he would be able to attend and discuss this as well from the school's point of view.

Ms. Smith discussed the issues with vaping in the county and the questionnaire that was sent out to parents about this.

CFC is working with Panasonic and Georgia Tech. They are trying to get a grant to allow Engineers to come in and work with the teachers.

Maranda gave some feedback she received from the General PTO meeting. They were 6th grade parents and they has expected more information about PTO, out actives and what our general goals are, etc.

Natalie stated that all this information was given out at the Open House earlier in the year.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00PM.

Respectfully submitted, Christie Hendrie, RSMS PTO Secretary.