

RIDGES ELEMENTARY PAC

MEETING MINUTES

Date: 11/5/2024

Time: 7:00pm (community room)

In Attendance: Annie Mills (PAC president), Amanda Mulder (Vice President/Fun Run), Bill Fox (Treasurer), Dana Sullivan (Secretary), Lindsey Williams (Volunteer coordinator), Lisa Neal (Volunteer coordinator) Candee Ward (Décor Committee/ Art Lit), Amy Seely (Apparel), Nikki Orr (Fun Run/Student Store), Victoria Hudson (Hospitality), Tera Harder (Hospitality), Larry Todd (chess club), Morgan DiGiallonardo (Fair), Nick DiGiallonardo (photography)

Approval of Minutes: Amanda Mulder makes a motion to approve September 2024 meeting's minutes. Seconded by Morgan DiGiallonardo. Unanimously approved.

President Report and Board Discussion- President Annie Mills

- 1) Ice Breaker
- 2) Sign-Up Sheet
 - a) Please sign-in and be sure to add your email to normalize this for new members
- 3) Farmer's Market Recap
 - a) Event went well and was generally well received. Would like PAC to continue to support this. Possibly annually. Nutrition services would need to reapply for the grant annually.
- 4) "Kids Helping Kids Gift Drive" with the SHARE Center
 - a) Similar to last year but will be starting earlier
 - i) Nov 18th-Dec 18th
 - b) Andrea Garrow will be running it again this year (ran it last year)
 - c) Adding a new and used coat drive this year
 - d) There will again be a Venmo option this year
 - i) Available on the sign-up genius
- 5) All-PAC Meeting November 13th 5:30pm at Middleton Elementary
 - a) November PAC Meet Up: Dinner at Araceli's for Ridges dine out fundraiser afterwards
 - i) 20% of proceeds will come back to the school
- 6) Winter Wonderland Decor Meet Up for School: Friday November 22nd 10am-1pm
 - a) You may bring your student with you to help

- 7) Bingo Night December 13th
 - a) Amanda Mulder is organizing
 - b) Running it similarly to last time
 - i) Will do a nacho bar and selling some candy
 - ii) Will provide free popcorn
 - iii) Will ask Diana Pennington (communications) to create a flyer
- 8) December PAC Meet Up Activity- Sunday, December 8th Time TBD
 - a) Nikki Orr will be hosting an ugly sweater party and we will exchange ugly mugs
 - b) Will make this an event on BAND
- 9) Candy Buy Back with Wilson still going through November 8th

Treasurer Report- Treasurer Bill Fox

- 1) Will disperse second half of the classroom funds and classroom support approximately ~\$40k based on Fun Run income
- 2) Cleaned up the Vemno

Principal Report- Report by Annie Mills

- 1) Thank you, Victoria/Hospitality for the conference night dinner
- 2) Thank you to PAC for helping with Farmer's Market day

Committee Reports

- 1) Fun Run: Amanda Mulder
 - a) Exceeded fun run goal
 - i) ~\$95k with kids pledges and corporate matches. Sponsors around ~\$12k
 - b) Will do after dark party on Thursday November 21st 5-6:30pm
 - i) Will start set up after school
 - ii) Would like at least 5 volunteers
 - iii) Bull Mountain sponsored and will provide dinner
 - iv) Permission slips will go out soon
 - v) May use gift cards to buy a fun dessert
 - c) Need to schedule the all-school assembly prize
- 2) Volunteer Coordinators: Lisa Neal and Lindsey Williams
 - a) Need to meet with Mrs. Johnson to navigate making sure field trip volunteers to make sure they are background checked
- 3) Events & Hospitality: Victoria Hudson
 - a) Conference meal went well and lots of gratitude expressed from staff
- 4) Apparel: Amy Seely
 - a) Selling overstock t-shirts (youth medium and youth larges) at the student store
- 5) Chess Club: Larry Todd

- a) Volunteer spots have been filled
- b) 85 kids signed up at 82 have paid
- c) T-shirts have been ordered and will be distributed
- 6) Passport Club: Report by Annie Mills
 - a) Had their first meeting
 - b) 32 students have enrolled and paid
 - c) Volunteers learning lots for the first time
 - i) Time management and helping all students acclimate
 - ii) Also had students arrive who were not enrolled
 - d) Want to find volunteers with connections to different countries to help personalize lessons each month
- 7) Art Lit: Candee Ward
 - a) Launched Art Lit this month
 - i) had volunteer orientation a couple weeks ago
 - ii) Started lessons yesterday in a few classes
 - iii) Have had positive feedback thus far on Native American theme for Native American month
- 8) Student Store: Nikki Orr
 - a) Able to connect with Middleton Student Store to partner up on bulk orders and share ideas
 - b) Volunteer Coordinators need the schedule- Nikki will send it to them
- 9) Fundraising: Report by President Annie Mills
 - a) Maple Boutique brought in ~\$400 and Mod pizza brought in ~\$200
 - b) Next one is Aracelis on November 13th 4-8pm
 - c) Mudpuddles Shop for your school in Nov 18th-24th
 - i) 20% of your total goes to the school
 - ii) Make sure to identify your school when you check out
 - d) Any ideas on how to increase our advertising
 - (1) Maybe on the outdoor reader boards
 - (2) Maybe having Wolfie make reels for Instagram
 - (3) Maybe teacher emails
 - (4) Can we purchase a sandwich board to put in the front of the school to advertise

Upcoming Dates

- November 8th- Popcorn Day
- November 8th- Candy Buy Back-end date
- November 13th- All PAC Meeting, 5:30pm Middleton/PAC Meet-Up after at Araceli's
- November 13th- Dine Out Event: Araceli's
- November 13th- Student Store
- November 15th- Student Store
- November 18th- SHARE center Holiday Drive starts
- November 22nd- Winder Wonderland Décor Meet Up 10am-1pm
- December 3rd- Picture Retakes
- December 6th- Fun Run Prize- Caramel Corn Day
- December 6th Ridges Spirit Day- Ridges Gear
- December 13th- Bingo Night

Next Meeting

November 13th 2024, 5:30PM ALL PAC Meeting- Middleton

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm