

Ridge Road PTO Meeting Minutes

November 13, 2024 6:30 pm @ RR library

The meeting was called to order by Miranda Rice

Members in Attendance:

Principal: Mrs. Bailey

President: Miranda Rice

Vice President: Sarah Swimelar

Secretary: Kristi Coldiron

Co-Treasurers: Nadia Auerbach

Others: Kim Flood, Mikayla Kirkwood, Samantha and Matt Moon, Kerry Kellogg

Treasurers Report:

Jackie Perkins was not at the meeting

Old Business:

Wilson Beef Stick Fundraiser 9/27-10/16: Beef sticks were distributed to parents on 11/12. Sales were \$19,900 and our profit was \$6,965. This was an increase in profit of approximately \$1,650. We have extra buffalo beef sticks, Mrs. Bailey sent out a message to families telling them they could purchase them for \$20.

Halloween Dance 10/25 6:30-8:00: We had over 500 RSVP. We ran out of popcorn. In the future we need 2 full boxes of popcorn. We also talked about adding a second snack option, pre packaged cookies or chips. We need to have 2 cash boxes and more \$1's and \$5's in the safe for change. We will add a sign that says no bills over \$20. The line for concessions was out into the lobby. In the future the concession tables will be in the back of the cafeteria to avoid going out into the lobby. We can rope out 2 separate lines. The photo area can be on one side of the back of the cafeteria and the concessions will be on the other. A lot of people used cash instead of zeffy. Only 10 people used zeffy. We will send out a flyer in the beginning of the year to explain it and how it is used at every event so families can set it up and become familiar with it. The new lights and inflatable looked great!

Make a difference day 10/26 10-12: As a district we donated 875 food items and 650 pet donations. The food donations were down by 45% and pet donations were up by 20%, but Big Flats donated to a separate food bank.

Halloween Parade 10/31 1:30PM: We had a sectioned off VIP area for the raffle winners. The winners were Toby Hilbert, Rachael Smith, Mikayla Kirkwood, and Beth Klosterman. Sasha and officer McGrain were a big help setting up, we should send them a thank you card. Samantha and Sarah set up, they said it was very heavy and we should think about simplifying it next year. Miranda and Ryan cleaned up.

Japan visitors 10/31: They enjoyed the breakfast and winter hats. The amount of food we ordered was a good amount, we had enough for everyone. The students really enjoyed dressing up for the parade and celebrating Halloween with us.

Veterans Day celebration 11/8 from 8-9:30am: We had about 50 people for our Veteran's breakfast. A fantastic turnout and better than past years. We also had a good amount of breakfast items ordered.

New Business:

Make up picture day 11/19: We need one helper to make sure kids look their best from 8-12. Nadia will check her schedule to see if she is available. Kerry can come in later in the morning.

Family Bingo night 12/6 6:30-7:30: This is a free event for family. There is a limit of 2 cards per person. The cards are in the closet, check to see if we need more. We will sell chips, cookies, water and Gatorade. We have some water and Gatorade, check to see if we need more. The winners will receive a full size candy bar or a prize (same prizes as carnival). The final prize will be a \$30 Amazon Gift Card. The save the date will go home on 11/19. The flyer will have information on zeffy as well as items that will be sold at the event. We also need to include no bills over \$20 on the flyer. If someone volunteers to help they can have their kids next to them playing BINGO.

Bingo volunteers:

1 person calling numbers:

2 concession: Sam or Matt Moon

1-2 prizes: Mikayla

1 person on computer:

2 people checking numbers: Kim

3 people for clean up:

Mr. Bailey and Adam will help, put them wherever needed. Sarah will post on Facebook to have more volunteers sign up

Staff holiday party 12/19 2:30 PM: Samantha and Sarah will be in charge. They will order food (appetizers, desserts and drinks). For desserts we need regular and gluten free. Our budget is \$650 for food and decorations. Set up will be around 1:00 and Miranda will clean up around 4. We need enough for 60 people. We have tablecloths, serving platters and silverware.

Holiday Banner: We voted and decided to purchase a holiday banner. The families really like the banners in front of the school. We decided to purchase an over the door hanger to store all of the banners in.

Kindergarten cookies with Santa: We need to purchase cookies and napkins. Check to see if we need a volunteer to take Santa photos. Check with Erica (the one who did the Halloween photos). Melissa's dad dresses up as Santa. We agreed to purchase a Santa suit with a budget of \$100.

1st Grade cookie roll out: The teachers will buy things they need at PTO reimburses them up to \$100.

2nd grade Gingerbread: The teachers will buy things they need at PTO reimburses them up to \$100

4th grade legacy books: We have allotted a \$400 budget to support this library program.

Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser 2/9-2/26: Emily Grose will be in charge of this fundraiser

New incentive for volunteers: There are a few upcoming events (grade level concerts, talent show) that we can do a drawing for. When someone volunteers they get a ticket and can put it into whatever event they want. This will be similar to the blue tickets we use with students. We will have boxes/containers with each event and after volunteers show up for their assignment they will get a ticket and put it into the box they choose. We were thinking anyone who comes to a meeting will get a ticket.

Next family night 1/10/25 Swim night 6:30-8:00: Families will bring a gently used book for a donation. We need volunteers to walk around the event. There will be lifeguards. Matt will volunteer for this event.

We talked about doing some kind of book exchange between families. We will discuss more at our next meeting.

Next PTO Meeting: 1/15/25 at 6:30 at Ridge Road Library