

RR PTO
Meeting Minutes
March 15, 2023 @ 6pm

Members in attendance:

President: Melissa Gillette

Secretary: Not Present-Britney Sprute

Treasurer: Not Present-Veronica Holden

Donations coordinator: Desirae Kelly

Principal: Mrs. Bailey

Others: Jaclyn Perkins

Carnival: June 2nd.

Donations- Desirae is working on collecting donations, has received a \$500 check from Hilliard so far.

Food- Texas Road House food truck will be doing all food and water for the evening. Emily will get us an updated price list by the April PTO meeting.

Prizes- Melissa and Vern will check what prizes we have left in shed, will do over Spring Break.

Games- Games will be looked at when we check prizes in shed.

Inflatables- Melissa received quote from Cloud 9. Center Street also has an event on the same day, and booked the shark slide, so Melissa booked 4 others, as well as got a quote for the Dunk Tank. Mr. Malloy has volunteered to be in the dunk tank, provided it is filled from a hose. Melissa will ask Mr. Hamula if he would also be dunked. 4 Inflatables plus Dunk Tank will cost us \$1330.78. All are in favor of adding the dunk tank, for profit. Melissa will pay the deposit.

Volunteers- Melissa has emailed Britt Lendhart and Alisha Tenbus for student helpers. We will need a volunteer coordinator.

Signs- Emily Grose redid many signs last year, and mentioned she would do any others, Melissa will check to see if she is still willing.

Closet- We will meet at 9am on April 3rd to work on the closet and check the items in the shed. Desirae and Jaclyn are both available to assist.

Regular Meeting Business:

Old Business:

- Melissa and Vern met with a parent that is a recruiter for the National Guard, she gave us some suggestions to grow our numbers. Melissa has started implementing these suggestions, and we are hoping to gain some help!
- School Store is still doing huge sales every week. Mrs. Tremaine and Mrs. Wilson have been working the store every week, and sales are typically between \$50-\$100. Veronica will purchase additional supplies.
- Gertrude Hawk raised a total of over \$19,000, so we will receive a 50% profit! Good news! The product will come in on 3/29, and we will do a parent pick up that night, with remaining pick ups on 3/30 and 3/31, just in time for Spring Break. Ridge Road Rocks!
- 4th grade put on an awesome show, Zombies: The Musical on 3/9 & 3/14 at 7pm. The PTO purchased flower presentation bouquets to present to Mrs. McGrain and Mrs. Proulx, along with a \$15 gift card. The show was fantastic, and our students did a great job. The PTO will put on a Cast Party for the students that put the show on. They will watch a recorded version of the play, and the PTO will supply Pizza, Cookies, Chips, Water, Plates, Napkins. Desirae has agreed to make cookies, and will invoice the PTO. The Party will be March 30th.
- St Patrick's Day parade went well. Very cold, and a little wet, but it worked well to have parents walk with their students, and pick up afterward went smoothly. Low on helpers for set up, but very cold out.
- Kindergarten Cap and Gown Pictures are April 12th, Vern will be assisting with this, and Jaclyn is checking her schedule to see if she can assist.
- Square 1 art was mailed out today, Catalogs should arrive by 3/31. We will wait to send these home until after the break, so long as there is 2 weeks after break to order.

- We came up with 2 activity stations for the District PTO 4th Grade Activity day, with the help of Mr. Romanski. We will be doing Rock, Paper, Scissors, Jump, as well as Giant Kerplunk. Mr. Bailey will assist us with getting the materials needed for Giant Kerplunk, and Mr. R has many of the materials needed for the rest. Jaclyn mentioned that she has ball pit balls for Giant Kerplunk.
- We ran a book drive for the February Swim Night, and decided to extend donations through the following week. We received a note from The Family Reading Partnership of Chemung Valley thanking us for our donation of over 700 books. We spoke with Dr. McHugh about the FRPCV putting a tent up for Carnival, and she will look in to getting volunteers to do so. See note below from Dr. McHugh:

“To the Ridge Road Community;

The Family Reading Partnership of Chemung Valley extends a heartfelt thank you to the Ridge Road Community for the recent book donation drive. It was a huge success! Thanks to your generosity, we received over 700 gently loved books. These books will now be available to children throughout our community via our Bright Red Bookshelves and the FRPCV Book Tent. THANK YOU for helping spread book joy!”

New Business:

- Spring Book Fair will be June 5-9. Jaclyn has agreed to take the planner phone call, for Melissa. Melissa will send Jaclyn the link to schedule a time.
- The 3rd Grade would like to have their annual State Testing Party, the 2nd week of May. More information to come.
- Melissa will check with 4th Grade to see if they would like to have a similar 4th Grade Celebration as in years past.
- Desirae brought up Teacher Appreciation Week, which is May 1st – 5th. We will all look for celebration items on Pinterest. Melissa also mentioned we need to remember Nurse Day, which is May 6th.

Kindergarten cap and gown pictures: 4/12

Gertrude Hawk Distribution: March 29th

Spring Break: 4/3-4/7

2nd Grade Concert: 4/21

3rd Grade Concert: 5/6

Next PTO Meeting: April 12, 2023 @ 6pm