

Ridge Road Elementary School PTO Minutes
September 15, 2021
6:30 PM Ridge Road Library

Old Business:

- Discussed needs for the PTO that have been carried over from last school year to this year
- Discussed open positions on PTO board due to parents moving or children moving up into IS. Need to find Secretary, a Book Fair Chairperson, a Box Top Coordinator, a Vice President and a Co-Treasurer.

New Business:

*Book Fair: Taking place Monday September 20- Thursday September 23 through the evening of Open House (September 23) Discussed how the book fair works for new PTO members. Teachers sign up for two times to take their class down, one to look and one to purchase. Need volunteers for setup for Open House between 4-4:30 PM. Also discussed volunteers to help tear down after Open House as the Book Fair gets picked up Friday morning.

*Open House: Thursday September 23. Book Fair will be open during Open House. Each teacher gets a gift card to help with supplemental classroom needs from the PTO. Each teacher also gets a corsage or a boutonniere to wear during Open House. The flowers will be ordered from Zeigler's Florist by Vern and picked up by Emily Thursday afternoon.

*Fall Festival: Discussed timing of Fall Festival, decided on 11AM-1PM following directly after Fun Run. Looking for helpers to man games, inflatables, and wristband/ gatorade and water table. Inflatables are coming from Cloud 9. Papa John's will be bringing a food truck. Discussed the cake wheel, all donations have to be pre packaged, individually wrapped, and store bought. Wristbands will be \$5 and that will allow each child access to all inflatables and games. Talked about adding two more games and looking in the shed to see what is readily available that includes the ability to socially distance.

*Clothing sale: Discussed going through Dominic Romeo at Rainbow Lettering. Sale will run from October 7th- October 22nd. This will be an online shop. A suggestion for people to order with cash or check would be to set up a laptop in the office and do a large "bill me later" order with them. Noted that we do not sell this for profit it is just to make spirit wear available to whomever would like it. There will not be a PTO sponsored

shirt this year. We also need a coordinator for this sale, which Katie Hastrich volunteered for within this meeting.

*Halloween Dance: Discussed having the dance outside, the general consensus of this idea was that it was a great one. Discussed setting a rain date in the event of rain on the original scheduled date. The Halloween Parade for the kids is happening!

*Make a Difference Day: Need to brainstorm ideas. We cannot go to any of the nursing homes like normal, so we need to come up with other ways to reach out and help the community. Emails can be sent to Mrs. Bailey or Melissa with ideas for this.

**Decided that Wednesdays work best for everyone to be able to meet.

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2021 @ 6:30 PM in the Ridge Road Library