

ROMS PTA MEETING MINUTES March 17, 2014

The next café series will be Thursday, March 20, 2014 at 6:30-8:00. They will be discussing social and emotional issues in middle school. Next PTA meeting is Monday, April 21.

Meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm.

In attendance: Teri Shaffer, Maryanne Van Haitisma, Jeff Brinker, Clyde Esbri, Terri Kuznia, Susan Hedge, Julie Cameron, Judi Rosas, Cynitra Anderson, Kris Woodham, Lisa Liu, Joe Youanes

Membership: 0 new members

Founders Day: Lisa Liu was awarded the PTA Distinguished Service Award.

Fundraising: no update

Maryanne will be sending requests for volunteers for next year.

Boys and Girls Club Walk for the Future is on May 10. Maryanne sent an email for parents and students to sign up and donate.

Gator Ball Tournament is FULL! It will be held on March 28. There will be 20 teams raising money for Relay for Life. They will sell t-shirts for the Relay for Life as well.

Blood Drives: Oakland Schools will be March 29 and ROMS will be March 28.

Instrument fittings were done for the elementaries this week.

Dream Home Expo is this Saturday

BULLYCIDE program will be on March 19 at 6:30

ROHS Open House is March 20 from 6:00-8:00

ROHS has a production of "You can't take it with you" this weekend

Scavenger Hunt was on February 14, 2014. Over 250 kids participated! Great turnout!

Book Fair: March 31-April 2. It is sponsored by the teachers.

Motion to accept the February minutes by Lisa Liu; seconded by Clyde Esbri.

School Board Report: Jeff Brinker. The district is changing its name to "Royal Oak Schools". It used to be called "The School District of the City of Royal Oak". There will be 3 big projects this summer: paving at ROMS and ROHS, and the Churchill renovations. MEAP scores are above state average. 8th grade did well in reading. They are working on a 2nd amendment for the 2013-2014 budget. There was 1.4 million more spent than was brought in so they will dip into the fund equity. The Board is working on ideas of how to close that gap for next year.

Judi Rosas asked Jeff why it was taking 4 million for the Churchill renovation? Per Jeff: 75% of the 4 million is for updates to the building. The other 25% is the cost for moving the board offices to Churchill. It will eventually save the district money over time by moving to Churchill.

Treasurer's Report: Julie Cameron. Checking balance is \$12,473.99

Principal's Report: Joe Youanes. ROHS teachers are coming to ROMS on March 19 to talk about the high school curriculum and how it relates to ROMS. They will also be discussing the IB programme. They finished up the elementary orientations this week.

There was an idea presented to invite all incoming 6th grade parents to the May PTA meeting. Joe said that he would send a memo to all of the elementary principals to get it out to their 5th grade parents.

ROMS PBIS store will be open 3 times per month. Students are able to purchase things with the stamps that they earn in classes for good behavior.

There will be a tornado drill on May 18.

Lisa Liu-PTA Scholarship: There will be 5 \$800 scholarships awarded to high school seniors. The due date to get applications in is April 16, 2014.

Maryanne presented the PTA slate for next year's PTA Board:

President: Maryanne Van Haitsma

1st VP: Terri Kuznia

2nd VP: Keri Derminer

Treasurer: Jeff Eisenberg

Member at Large: Susan Hedge

Secretary: Teri Shaffer

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm