

UNAPPROVED
ROMS PTA MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 15, 2014

In attendance: Teri Shaffer, Kim Parker, Carolyn Jennings, Amy King, Dennis Kraniak, Kristine Hill, Kerry Derminer, Todd Noonan, Rachel Forsyth, Michelle Watson, Norm Sieloff, Marnie Pinho, Diane Hawkey, Jodi Ellis, Meghan Heikkinen, Julie Lyons Bricker, Karen Kahn Schultz, Marty Cardamone, Eric Schultz, Susan Hedge, Maryanne Van Haitsma, Terri Kuznia, Jeff Eisenberg, Diana Barrer, Laura Foster, Jenny Rossbach, Sandy Topping, Krista Malinich

Meeting called to order at 7:02. Maryanne introduced the PTA Board members. Terri Kuznia moved to approve the May minutes. Jeff Eisenberg seconded the motion.

Jeff Eisenberg: Treasurer presented the budget. The only change to the budget was the \$200 additional added to the 8th grade graduation budget line item. From the Entertainment Book sale last year, \$1200 went to 8th graders for the DC trip. \$800 is “unclaimed” by students who sold books but did not go on the trip. We are trying to decide how to allocate that \$800. Maryanne clarified that the PTA will donate up to \$1000 for 6th grade camp. A few questions on the budget: Sandy Topping and Sandy Toggweiler will be taking over staff appreciation this year. Sandy wanted to know what her budget was for the staff appreciation. Questions were answered by Rachel Forsyth. Kerry Derminer motioned to accept the budget as presented. Rachel Forsyth seconded the motion. Jeff then presented the audit and it was accepted.

Principal’s Report: Todd Noonan He reminded us about Curriculum Night coming up on Thursday, September 18. Todd is impressed by all of the parent involvement at ROMS. So far everything is running smoothly. He addressed the issue of the Orchestra Room. It suffered damage during the flooding. It should be ready in about 2 weeks.

School Board Report: Marty Cardamone ROHS and ROMS were able to open on schedule despite the damage caused by the flood. Enrollment is up at all elementaries and at ROMS. It is slightly down at ROHS. Average class size at ROMS is 30. It is up but we can let the state know that we need more state dollars for education by contacting the legislators. The Board is trying to keep the elementary class size at 26, ROMS at 28 and ROHS at 30. Legislatively there is not much to report right now. There are 4 seats open on the Board. Jeff Brinker, Deb Anderson and Carrie Beerer will be staying. Michael Hartmann will be retiring. Alison Sykes will be running for a seat.

President’s Report: Maryanne Van Haitsma: The Bulldog Bash is September 23. Monday, September 22 is Family Dinner Day. Be sure to stay involved with ROMS via Facebook, eblasts, text reminders. You need to sign up to receive text reminders. Parent U this year is on November 8 at ROMS. Our next PTA meeting will focus on 6th graders. We will have a counselor here at 6:30 to answer questions specific to that grade level.

There was an open discussion about getting a group together to discuss carpooling. Maybe have Todd send out an email to all parents to get it going.

Teri Shaffer gave a brief report on Entertainment Books

Next Meeting Monday, October 20, 2014

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OCTOBER 20, 2014

In attendance: Teri Shaffer, Maryanne Van Haitisma, Tere Ryan, Pam Sizemore, Susan Shelton, Suzanne Johnson, Polly Whitton, Stephanie McNett, Marnie Pinho, Meghan Heikkinen, Cindy Stanley, Shawn Lewis-Lakin, Jeff Brinker, Jeff Eisenberg, Terri Kuznia, Susan Hedge, Julie Lyons Bricker, Kerry Derminer, Toss Noonan

Meeting was called to order at 7:12 pm. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Terri Kuznia moved to approve the September minutes Jeff Eisenberg seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report: Jeff Eisenberg Jeff went over the budget in progress. There were no questions on the budget. We have taken in \$2907 in donations and we have received checks from "Shop for Education" programs

Principal's Report: Todd Noonan Students just finished testing. PBIS store will begin in November. Students can "buy" products at the PBIS store with "stamps" that they have earned in their classes. Conferences are this Wednesday and Thursday, October 22 and 23 from 4:00-8:00.

School Board Report: Jeff Brinker The district had its first count day. Enrollment is down from last year but up from their projections. November 4 is Election Day.
VOTE!!!!

Superintendent's Report: Shawn Lewis-Lakin he urged us to vote on Election Day. Be sure to vote for your school board members. They are volunteers and they deserve our support! On October 21 at Emagine Theater there will be a community awards program. All of the Educators of the Year from last year will be honored. Shawn addressed late start Wednesday. These are NOT late starts for the staff. They come in an hour early on those days for instruction.

PTA President's Report: Maryanne Van Haitisma The Bulldog Bash was a huge success! Membership is at 405 between staff and families. We had a Parent Café Series on October 2. The subject was "homework". The next session is December 4 and it addresses "Resilience and Self Esteem". Parent U is November 8 at ROMS. ROHS craft fair is on Saturday, November 22.

Teri Shaffer-Entertainment Book Report: ROMS raised approximately \$6800. We will be using the left over money from last year from this sale toward scholarships for the DC trip for students this year.

Mark Center-Robotics Team Report: they have a team at ROHS. They meet Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. They build small 189 inch robots with the middle school. They are in week 8 of 11 weeks but are looking for interested students to join them. It is \$100 to join. They are working on creating interest for next year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm

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NOVEMBER 17, 2014**

Meeting called to order at 7:06. In attendance: Teri Shaffer, Maryanne Van Haitsma, Jodi Tillander, Terri Kuznia, Susan Hedge, Todd Noonan, Laura Foster, Diana Barrer, Marty Cardamone, Jeff Eisenberg, Kerry Derminer.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Jeff Eisenberg motioned to accept the minutes from the October meeting with the correction of the spelling of Todd's name. Jodi Tillander seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report: Jeff Eisenberg:

- Jeff is having trouble with his excel program and the budget is there so he was unable to print the budget but he presented the most recent bank statement and reconciliation summary.
- He has transferred the funds for the DC trip to ROMS and then ROMS will send it over to World Strides.

We talked about the Bulldog Bash for next year. We would like to have it on a day when ROMS has a home football game. For cost cutting, Kerry Derminer suggested using Oakland County Parks and Rec for the rentals of the rock walls etc.

Principal's Report: Todd Noonan:

- He asked us to spread the word about the Parent Workshops. The next session is December 4 and the topic will be "Promoting Teen Resilience". We would like to have a larger audience.
- 8th graders will be taking the ACT Explore on Tuesday, November 18.
- Career Cruising is December 1. It helps the students focus on their career interests.
- Pennies for Patients: HUGELY SUCCESSFUL!! ROMS raised over \$7400!!! We were the top fundraising school in the state!!

School Board Report: Marty Cardamone:

- The school board will be moving their offices on December 26. New address will be 800 De Villen. The old school board building will come down in Spring 2015. (?)
- The December Advocacy meetings were cancelled due to little change in Lansing.
- School repairs are almost complete. District will be receiving money from FEMA from the flooding.
- In regards to the School Board elections, everyone got elected!

President's Report: Maryanne Van Haitsma:

- November 8 was Parent U. Very successful. About 94 attendees. Maryanne suggested having Shaton Berry from Michigan PTA come and explain Common Core to ROMS parents.
- Membership is at 421.
- Keely Tyson is looking to bring PTA Reflections to ROMS and ROHS.
- Friday December 12, 2014 is the Salvation Army's Interclub luncheon at 12:00. Kerry suggested sending students from Student Council and NJHS.
- Matthews Hargreaves Chevrolet is doing a "drive a Chevy" promotion. ROMS will get \$10 for every test driven car.
- Northwood has a community build project going on to put in their new playground equipment.

- ROMS is looking in to doing Skate Jamz at Lindell for ROMS only.
- Saturday, November 22 is the ROHS craft fair
- Sunday, November 23 is the Christmas Parade
- Thursday, December 4 is the tree lighting
- There is a canned food drive scheduled for December 8-12. There was a suggestion made to have it specifically for ROMS families. Kerry will work on that with Student Council

Meeting adjourned at 7:55

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DECEMBER, 15 2014**

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm. In attendance: Teri Shaffer, Maryanne Van Haitsma, Norm Sieloff, Jeff Eisenberg, Kerry Derminer, Marty Cardamone, Terri Kuznia, Todd Noonan.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Terri Kuznia motioned to approve the November minutes. Jeff Eisenberg seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report: Jeff Eisenberg:

Jeff showed us the November reconciliation report and register report. Maryanne would like the amount for the Washington DC trip that has been brought in and sent to WorldStrides listed on the budget. Jeff will have the corrected budget report next month in January.

Principal's Report: Todd Noonan:

Canned food drive was a HUGE success!!!! He discussed the MTSS system. It is a combination of the RTI and PBIS systems. It is a multi tiered student support system. It helps to identify students who are struggling academically and behaviorally. ROMS has a baseline report on each student since elementary. Those parents were contacted to let them know that their child may need some extra support.

They are working on a 7th grade trip for next year. Although some parents voiced their opinion that they did not think that a 7th grade trip was necessary.

We do have some PTA leadership roles that need to be filled for next year.

School Board Liaison: Marty Cardamone:

The school board had its last meeting at the existing board office. They will be moving to the new board offices during the holiday break. Legislatively: Contact the House Of Representatives and ask them to go with the presented road plan.

Mark Twain property will be single family homes. Summer improvement projects will include ROMS roofing. Cabinetry was ordered for the flood damaged areas of ROMS choir, band and music areas. It will go in soon. ROHS will be getting all new lockers on the first floor over the summer.

Kerry Derminer: Student Council: Over 3000 cans were collected for the canned food drive. On Wednesday, December 17, Student Council will pack the boxes and put family numbers (instead of names for privacy) on the boxes. Pick up will be Monday, December 22 from 4:00-7:00. Some volunteers may be delivering the boxes if the families cannot get to the school.

Maryanne Van Haitsma: President's Report: 12 days of Christmas still going on at Matthews Hargreaves Chevrolet.

Norm Sieloff asked about Box Tops. Are we collecting them? He is considering being the chairperson for the fundraiser. Possibly make it a contest to see which LEAP class can collect the most.

Next meeting Tuesday, January 20

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JANUARY 20, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:25 pm. In attendance: Maryanne Van Haitsma, Susan Hedge, Terri Kuznia, Todd Noonan, Kathy Knapp, Kerry Derminer, Teri Shaffer

Kathy Knapp announced the following upcoming dates:

February 2: High school counselors will be coming to talk to the ROMS 8th graders about next year.

February 10: There is a parent meeting at ROHS for 8th grade parents

February 23: 8th graders will go to ROHS

Kerry Derminer approved the December minutes. Susan Hedge seconded the motion

Teri Shaffer will send sympathy cards to the Bosanko family and to Mrs Harper on behalf of the ROMS PTA. Which brought up the discussion of making a change to the Standing Rules to reflect the option to donate to families who are affected by death. We decided that we would discuss this at the end of the year.

Norm Sieloff will be chairing the Box Tops program for us next year! Hopefully that will bring in more Box Tops resulting in more rewards for ROMS!

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm

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MARCH 16, 2015

In attendance: Teri Shaffer, Cheryl Fossano, Norm Sieloff, Maryanne Van Haitisma, Todd Noonan, Marty Cardamone, Terri Kuznia, Susan Hedge, Jeff Eisenberg, Laura Robinson, Judy Rosas

Meeting called to order at 7:05. The minutes from January were presented. Jeff Eisenberg moved to approve the minutes. Susan Hedge seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report: Jeff Eisenberg. Our savings balance is \$7808.02. Our checking balance is \$7311.25. Per Maryanne, money left in the Washington DC accounts that has not been used will be used for food for the upcoming trip. WorldStrides will take care of this. There is approximately \$700 that has not been used. Roberta has the totals and there will be a withdrawal from our checking account. Per Jeff, on the submitted report, the final totals are correct but he has to make corrections to the ledger. There are a few incorrect totals there. Jeff discussed having Skate Jamz per grade level. ROMS would rent out the entire facility for a Saturday evening. Then just allow students from the designated grade level attend on the set nights. The cost to rent is \$500. We could bring in our own ipod so that we would not have to pay extra for a DJ. We would need to pay security as well. Possibly use high school students for this.

Principal's Report: Todd Noonan. The MYP visit went well. They now have 30 days to authorize us or deny us. Todd believes that we will be authorized but we have some things to work on. The MAP testing ended. M-STEP will be taking place on April 13-June 5. This is a mandatory state assessment testing that replaces the MEAP. Results will be sent home shortly after testing has completed. On March 18, scheduling information will be sent home for 6th and 7th graders. On March 26, there is a cyber safety meeting open to the public at ROMS. It will be put on by the high school. March 19 is the ROMS Open House. March 30 is ROHS.

President's Report: Maryanne Van Haitisma. The Book Fair will be from March 16-20. It will be open during the Open House as well. Todd said that he would send home an email with information. The Gatorball tournament is March 27. We have 22 teams!! Norm Sieloff will be taking over Box Tops. Maryanne will be sending an email to remind parents to re-enroll for Kroger rewards. The State of the Schools address is April 23 at 7:00. Everyone will be able to tour the new Board office on that day at 6:00.

Board Report: Marty Cardamone. Governor Snyder's budget recommendations have been released. Royal Oak will lose about \$55 per student under the proposed budget. Please contact Jim Townsend and Marty Knollenberg to say that we would like an INCREASE in Royal oak funding!!! For information on the road proposal go to saferoadsyes.com The improvements to ROMS over the summer will involve roofing and the pool unit. Addams is getting new doors, ROHS is getting soffets, new lockers on the first floor and painting.

Susan Hedge presented the slate for next year. It will be voted on at the April 20 meeting.

President: Teri Shaffer

1st VP: Cheryl Fossano

2nd VP: Kerry Derminer

Treasurer: Jeff Eisenberg

Secretary: Lisa Liu

Member at Large: Susan Hedge

Member at Large: Jenni Tracy

Next meeting April 20 at 7:00

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APRIL 20, 2015

Meeting called to order at 7:20. In attendance: Teri Shaffer, Maryanne Van Haitsma, Marnie Pinho, Terri Kuznia, Marty Cardamone, Judi Rosas, Susan Telang, Susan Hedge, Todd Noon an, Jeff Eisenberg, Cheryl Fossano, Jen Armstrong, Amy Piazzon, Kirk Duncan, Kerry Derminer

Meeting minutes from March were presented. Jeff Eisenberg motioned to approve, Terri Kuznia seconded the motion.

Treasurers Report: Jeff Eisenberg: our checking balance is \$6632.74 and our savings balance is \$7813.35. We will be taking approximately \$2160 out of our checking account for 7th and 8th graders for their trip to Washington DC. This money will be given to WorldStrides so that they will hold the money for the students who earned it. This money has not yet been transferred. The PTA will be holding Skate Jamz events for the grades on separate nights. Charge will be \$5 per child. \$7 at the door. That includes skate rental. It will be from 8:15-10:00. Lindell is charging us \$500 per night. First night is for 6th graders on May 2, 7th grade on May 9 and 8th grade on May 16. ROMS will pay or get high school volunteers for “security”. Kerry will have student council make posters to advertise. She will also send out a sign up genius for partents to help sell tickets during lunch hours and work at the rink on the designated nights. Student council will help with pre-sale tickets. Maryanne will print the tickets. Jeff will get wristbands.

Principal’s Report: Todd Noonan: M-Step testing is going on right now. 8th graders are being tested. It is very time consuming. The test is a quality test and the students are giving quality answers. All testing will be done by the end of May. The test replaces the MEAP. It was supposed to be adaptive (the questions would change depending on the students answers) but it is not adaptive. Results will be available in the Fall. June 10th is the 8th grade celebration from 5:30-6:30 with a dance immediately following until 8:30.

School Board Report: Marty Cardamone: The Board is working on their budget. They are trying to wait for the state’s budget first. The state’s budget will cut Royal Oak school funding by \$250,000. The road proposal is not looking good. If the road proposal does not pass, they may take money from schools to cover the costs to fix the roads. ROSD will still be ok for the time being but down the line ROSD may bneed to start cutting some programs. The vote is Tuesday, May 5. The “Bake Sale Proposal” will pass.

President’s Report: Maryanne Van Haitsma: The State of the Schools Address is on April 23 at 7:00 at the board offices at Churchill. There will be tours of the building at 6:00. There is a blood drive on May 27.

2015 slate was presented: President: Teri Shaffer, 1st VP: Cheryl Fossano, 2nd VP: Kerry Derminer, Treasurer: Jeff Eisenberg, Secretary: Lisa Liu, Members at Large: Susan Hedge, Jenni Tracy.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11. Next meeting on Monday, May 18 at 7:00

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Coming soon!