Minutes of the Ridgeview Middle School Parent-Teacher-Student-Association Meeting

May 10, 2017

A called meeting of the RMS PTSA was convened on Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Media Center of Ridgeview Middle School in Gaithersburg, MD, pursuant to notice duly given.

Attendees: Ms. Sherri Wood-Powe, President; Ms. Jill Fleisher, Second Vice President; Ms. Laura Bookman, MCPTA Delegate; Ms. Renee Enright, Treasurer; Ms. Mary Jane Kissel, Secretary; Mr. Daniel Garcia, Principal; Ms. Feri Jahanmir, RMS Office Assistant; Allison Wang, Student Representative; Sammy Krimstein, Student Representative, Irina Bookman, Rosemary DeRose, Stephanie Epstein, Lindsay Fisher, Andrea Girimonte, Jack Husted, Tracy Husted, Becky Krimstein, Brennan Smith, and Jody Schepard Usatine, (13 adults/6 students)

I. Welcome/call to order: The meeting was called to order by Sherri Wood-Powe at 7:30 pm.
   - The minutes from the February meeting were reviewed and approved.

II. Treasurer’s Report
   - Ms. Enright gave the treasurer’s report.
   - We were short of our fundraising goals for the year, but are slowly chipping away at those goals.
   - The soccer tournament should bring in some additional funds, including additional proceeds from Kona Ice and concessions sales.
   - Recent dine outs brought in some funds, including $225 from Giuseppe’s, $200 from Coldstone, and $200 from Jersey Mikes.
   - The 3 v 3 basketball tournament brought in $627.
   - A presentation was made by the students involved in Destination Imagination, as part of their request for funding. The request is being made to support the group’s trip to Global Finals in Tennessee.
   - A decision was made by the Board (at a special called meeting) to allocate $500 to Destination Imagination in support of their trip.

III. Principal's report
   - Mr. Garcia reported that course selection and scheduling is taking place.
   - He talked about a leadership week that is being planned during the summer that would also involve students and parents. He is working on securing funding for the program.
   - He mentioned that funding was cut for extended year programs, but that there might be a mini program the first week of August.
   - Earlier in the year it had been decided that extended Spanish courses would not be made available for next year. The decision has been reversed and now a full year of Spanish 1A would be an option for the students that want to take it.

IV. Student Report
   - Ms. Allison Wang gave the students report.
   - The SGA had their last meeting of the year.
   - The pep rally was a success, and the school supply drive is wrapping up.

V. RMS Announcements
   - Ms. Jahanmir reported on the RMS announcements.
   - The volunteer appreciation dinner will take place on June 7, at 6pm instead of our regularly scheduled PTSA meeting on the 14th.
   - Upcoming events include:
     o The soccer tournament will be held on May 17.
     o Last day of activity busses, May 19
VI. New Business/Upcoming Events
   - The 4 v 4 soccer tournament will be May 17. There are 64 kids who are registered, and there will be grade level teams.
   - There is a need for more scorekeepers and referees.

VII. Committee Reports/Updates
Stephanie Epstein reported that many people were contact by the nominations committee but that the positions of Vice President of Volunteers and Fundraising are still vacant.

IX. Adjournment
   - Ms. Wood-Powe adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary Jane Kissel, Secretary  Date: 9/12/17