

Redfield PTO  
General Meeting Notes  
September 6th, 2016

Call to order: 6:37 pm

Meeting attended by the following board members; Tom, Brad, Jean, Dan, Tracy, Anne, Liz, Michelle, Jamey.

I. Introduction of 2016/2017 Board Members

II. President's Address/Upcoming Events Review

- 1st Restaurant Night is at Peter, Piper, Pizza
- Kandice Dougall is the Chair of the Fun Run (largest school Fundraiser)
- 2 open board positions (Executive VP; VP Events)
- Survey to go out to parents of the student body (was supposed to be emailed out during the summer)
  - Where do the parents want to see the funds spent, raised in 2016/2017 for the 2017/2018 school year?
  - Perhaps have a link in the morning announcements, making easy access to complete the survey.

III. Finance/Budget Update

- We are funding a teacher's Aide (11K a year)
- We continue to fund the following, already budgeted for 2016/2017:
  - teacher supply fund
  - We continue to fund the specials fund
  - K-5 Grants
  - Scholastic News
- We paid for the AR program (\$4500)
- Membership dues are continuing to grow.
- Ringo night was better than last year, by \$300.00 net.

Spiritwear - Michelle Myers to head this up; free shipping promotion to begin 9/9 through 9/23 (20% of all sales get returned to Redfield PTO).

Ms. Hauptman has offered her students to sort out the Box Tops as collected.

Amazon Smile - an easy link/access to the Redfield PTO, % of purchases get returned.

IV: Secretary - update on Communications.

Communications via Jamey and Anne have been fantastic - excellent momentum, Newsletters have been concise and informative and energetic; the promotions and social media has been positive, energetic and timely, informing all of those on FB and via email of our upcoming events, which seems to be helping our momentum.

V. Principal's Update (Mrs. Bonow):

Site Council and Staff - worked together to create a new vision and new mission statement for Redfield; also included are the Redfield shared values.

Enrollment: 449 kids this year  
461 last year

69 kids didn't return (variety of reasons - moved districts, moved out of state, charter schools).

The staff conducts "welcome Wednesdays", which are school tours for new families, but will also offer tours anytime it can be done.

PTO - has offered to pay for a instructional aide (most likely the Kindergarten classes have the greatest need, 5 hours a day likely between the classes).

Homework Club - has returned, supported by site council, 7:40 am - 8:30 am, in the computer lab, 5 days a week. The teachers will be rotating the days.

Star Test - every student will be taking.

AR Tests - word count goals, encourage AR tests.

VI. Questions/Answers:

\$500 toward each teacher? Yes

If money is gifted to a teacher, can that teacher allocate it toward the cost for buses for a field trip? Yes, Grant Request .

Ms. Hauptman and Mrs. Nevins both drew \$50 Target gift cards.

President's Final Thoughts:

Our focus will remain on how to get others involved? How to bring others in and how to get more input to the PTO board?

One suggestion: promote bringing kids to the meeting, offer babysitting by older siblings?

Meeting adjourned: 7:18 pm