**THE RIVERVIEW SCHOOL (p277q)**
**PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING**
**October 8, 2024 at 6:00 PM**

1. **ATTENDEES** - 37 parents and school faculty attended the meeting, quorum has been met

2. **WELCOME** - Ivery Taylor

3. **MEETING MINUTES** - Rebecca Moran
    a. September meeting minutes was shared with the PTA prior to meeting on the PTA website.
    b. Caroline Barretta made a motion to approve the minutes.
    c. April Lawrence second the motion.
    d. The September 2024 minutes was approved.

4. **FINANCIAL REPORT** - Amanda Civello
    a. Currently as of October 8, 2024, our balance is $2,063.20

| *CATEGORY* | SUM of CREDIT | SUM of DEBIT | TOTALS |
|---|---|---|---|
| | $ - | $ - | $ - |
| BANK | $ - | $ 30.00 | $ (30.00) |
| PRIOR YEAR | $ 2,643.12 | $ 219.03 | $ 2,424.09 |
| TEACHAPP | $ - | $ 330.89 | $ (330.89) |
| **Grand Total** | **$ 2,643.12** | **$ 579.92** | **$ 2,063.20** |
| | | | 0 |
| | | | 0 |

| STARTING BALANCE | CURRENT BALANCE |
|---|---|
| $ - | $ 2,063.20 |
| TO BE APPROVED: | |
| | |
| **Grand Total** | **$ 2,063.20** |

    b. April Lawrence made a motion to approve the financial report.
    c. Heather Sciacca second the motion.
    d. The September 2024 financial report was approved.

5. **SLT MEETING REPORT** - Amanda Civello
    a. Our SLT and PTA meetings fall on the same day, 2nd Tuesday of each month.
    b. Uniforms will be mandatory in the 2025/26 school year in our school. It will be soft launching Jan 2025.
        i. Tops can be plain in Navy Blue, Gray or White, or have a school logo and / or Ollie on them
        ii. School Uniforms and merch will be available to purchase on both school and PTA websites

c. Some dates
    i. October 10th – Breast Cancer Walk (Rain Date October 11th)
    ii. October 14th – School Closed for Indigenous Peoples' Day
    iii. October 15th – Spirit Week (Wild West / Flannel / Denim / Otter Pride)
    iv. October 17th – Open House
    v. October 24th – Student of the Month
    vi. October 30th – Trunk-O-Treat @ 777
    vii. November 1st – School Closed for Diwali
    viii. November 5th – School Closed for Election Day
    ix. November 11th – School Closed for Veterans Day
d. "PAWS" Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support (PBIS)
    i. The goal of PBIS is to create an inclusive school-wide culture that promotes and supports positive social, emotional, behavioral, and academic outcomes for all students.
    ii. PAWS
        1. P - Positive Attitude
        2. A - Acting Responsibility
        3. W - Working Hard
        4. S - Safe Choices
    iii. It's a point system: the students will be awarded points for behavior during the day that matches the above goals, and then at the end of the week, those points can be exchanged for rewards.
    iv. There will be in-person kick-off events at the end of October, keep an eye on your child's backpack / Dojo / Remind for more information

**6. ELECTION**

a. Election for 1 SLT seat
    i. Requirements: meet in person once a month, You are allowed to attend virtually 4 times a year, there is a stipend at the end of the year.
    ii. Nominations
        1. Kernita Soler (245) kindergarten
        2. Vanessa Alayon (76) kindergarten
        3. Arlene Soto (419) middle school
        4. Naisha Bonet (322) kindergarten
    iii. Polls were created and Ms. Vanessa Alayon was elected for the empty SLT seat.

**7. BYLAWS**

a. Bylaws were updated and voted on.
b. The updated bylaws were voted in by 20 votes.

8. **PARENT COORDINATOR REPORT**
    a. Saturdays, 10/19 - 11/6 10:30 am – 1:30 pm: D75 Journey to Independence Series
    b. Friday October 11, 9 am – 2 pm: YAI Conferencia Latina (Spanish only)
    c. Tuesday October 22, 9 - 10 am: Understanding Your Child's IEP
    d. Thursday October 10, 6:30pm Understanding OPWDD Services (Parent to Parent)
    e. Thursday October 10, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm: OPWDD & Self-Direction 2024
    f. See the Riverview Weekly Newsletter at theriverviewschool.com

9. **COMMITTEE REPORT**
    a. Parent Site Leader - Ivery Taylor
        i. Explained what a Parent Site Leader is.
        ii. Currently seeking for volunteers for each site, we have our 1st project, The spring carnival for May.
        iii. The following are our current site leaders.
            1. 315 - Gerelyn Santana
            2. 419 - Heather Sciacca & Ingrid Caicedo-Guzman
            3. 404 - Natalia Benitez
    b. Events
        i. Coffee with a Counselor ~ Rebecca Moran
            1. Sessions will be held once a month, during the 1st week of every month and will tentatively begin in October.
            2. Notices will be sent out and also be on the PTA calendar.
            3. Elementary Sites
                a. Site 290 & 245 : Ms. Ilana Winter (*Earlier today!*)
                b. Site 777 : Ms. Jennifer Camacho (Wed, 10/9, 2-3PM)
                c. Site 76 & 78 : Ms. Jasmine Jones (Wed, 10/9, 2-3PM)
                d. Site 315 : Ms. Angie Hiotis (Wed, 10/9, 2-3PM)
            4. Middle School Sites
                a. Site 315 : Ms. Angie Hiotis (Wed, 10/9, 2-3PM)
                b. Site 419 : Ms. Hadassa Engelsohn (Thurs, 10/10, 2-3PM)
            5. High School Sites
                a. Site 257 : Ms. Manuela Guimaraes (Wed, 10/9, 830-930AM)
        ii. Trunk or Treat ~ Rebecca Moran
            1. Wed, October 30, 2024
            2. We need volunteers for Spooky Sensory Tent
            3. We also need trunks decorated. They should have an interactive

component - not just handing out candy.

4. There will be additional activities added to this year's Trunk or Treat such as story time, costume contest, pumpkin contest, Mash Dance Party

c. Fundraisers
    i. Project CB (Cookbook) ~ Rebecca Moran
        1. Notices will be sent out by the end of the month to collect recipes
        2. Cooking class via zoom will be on October
d. Social Media & Digital Team ~ Rebecca Moran
    i. How can I help?
        1. Need volunteers to post on Instagram
e. Special Olympics
    i. Save the Date for the Peter Aquilone Winter Classic
        a. December 7, 2024 at the Javits Center
        b. Floorball
        c. Includes Developmental, Skills and Traditional Team
        d. Registration is due Friday, November 15th

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Christmas Spectacular at Radio City Music Hall
    i. 35 Pairs of tickets were raffled.

**11. MEETING ADJOURNED**

a. Rebecca Moran made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
b. Ivery Taylor second the motion.
c. Meeting adjourned

**12. OPEN DISCUSSION**

**Spanish Translation Rachel Beadle**

**The meeting was virtual, conducted and recorded via ZOOM.**