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Meeting Minutes

April 15, 2024

The president called the January meeting of the Randolph Heights PTA to order at 6:22 pm.

Welcome and Introduction

President Julie Orman welcomed all attendees. The following PTA executive board members were present: Julie Orman, President Tim Williams, Principal Maggie O'Hara, Vice President Matthew Whitten, Treasurer Grace Adams, Secretary

Spring Events Summary

- May 6 10 Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 23 Randy's Races
- May 29 Family Picnic and display
- June 6 5th Grade Graduation
- June 7 Kindergarten Graduation

Principal's Update

District Budget Shortfall has affected all schools, but it is not as bad as expected, as our budget is already pretty bare-bones.

- Presentation recording from Tom Sager Executive Chief of Finance
 - About the considerations and influences on next year's budget

Staff numbers are based on:

- Enrollment numbers
- Contractual requirements

• Additional needs

School staffing info:

- Projected Enrollment: 438
- Administrators: 1
- Teachers: 23 (1 less than last year)
- Student Support Staff: 8.67 Allocated
- We will be cutting one Full Time Educator
 - We will be cutting the TDAS/ Maker Space Special
 - We will be continuing with Music and Math TDAS
- We also have a larger-than-expected supplies budget
 - Discretionary Budget
 - Extra Curricular 7,846
 - Instructional Materials 30,729 (double this year's budget!)
- School-Specific Goals:
 - Continue with reading intervention, but will be focused more on 3-5 instead of K-2 (but will be need-based)
 - Continue with the Music Program Share her with another school
 - May do half days or half-year
 - TDAS/MakersSpace
 - It was cut before, so the whole staff trained in gifted education
 - MakersSpace was originally a room the teachers could "check out" for lessons

Questions?

- If enrollment is high, will the budget change?
 - No.
- Can the PTA subsidize staff?
 - Technically, no. However, in the past, the PTA has paid for supplies so that the budget could be used for additional staff. At most, we could get half a teacher's assistant.

Family Picnic and Display

We are working to have a few food trucks; please reach out if you'd like to help!

Budget Update

Read-a-thon: planned 15k, brought in 21k. Thank you for all of your donations!

Teacher Appreciation Week

- May 6 10
- We will provide two breakfasts and two lunches: sign-up information on the PTA website.

• We will give the teachers target gift cards with donations made to the PTA for Teacher Appreciation Week. This event has some budget, and any surplus can be added to the total.

5th Grade Graduation

June 6th - We'll celebrate with pizza and ice cream at Edgecumb

Kindergarten Graduation June 7th - The PTA will be providing cake!

Trees and Plants

The garden is being worked on by the 5th graders - we purchased the plants.

Next year's board

Open positions - Treasurer and VP. Will be elected at our next meeting.

Eagle Scout Garden Boxes

Need \$100 for plaques to put on the boxes, approved by unanimous vote.