

ROYAL OAKS PTA Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2022

Meeting called to order at 6:02pm by Chelsie Kolnik

Attendees: Chelsie Kolnik, Lauren Stordahl, Moira MacKay-Brown, Jenn Spreigl, Emily Shubert Berg, Adrienne Sokol, Vicki Waldo, Susan Risius, Daryl and Sarah Kariniemi, Lindsey Lobner, Michelle Anderson-Horecka, Kassie and Tim Swalback, Jenna Lindsay

Welcome and Introductions

Welcome to the September PTA meeting. This is the first meeting of the new school year and we are excited to have you all here. Let's go around and do introductions.

Approve last meeting's minutes: Motioned to approve by Chelsie Kolnik, 2nd by Moira MacKay-Brown.

Principal Update:

Great start to school! Covid restrictions are lifted, carpets are back in the classrooms, lunch in the cafeteria, etc.

Separation anxiety has been higher this year. Positive encouragement at home is very helpful: school is a good, safe place!

494 students with over 30 pre-k students

Back to School Assembly went well. Bolt attended, teachers had a relay race, each class gave a cheer, and Dr. Risius spoke. Super Attendant Julie Nielson was also in attendance.

With some teachers retiring or moving, RO have had new hires!

iPads and Chromebooks have been/are being passed out. Each class watches a video about device care and safety. Please remind your children that these devices are for school related activities only.

Dr. Risius visits and addresses district bully policy and weapons in each classroom.

MAP testing 2nd-5th grade starts in Sept 26th. Information is posted on the website. MAP testing can help teachers choose curriculum and adapt to the classroom and student's need.

Teacher Report:

Thanks for taking care of the teachers!

There's such a positive vibe in the halls right now. We're returning to 'normal school' and it feels good!

Treasurer Report:

Miquette is unable to join us tonight but has prepared the budget for the 22-23 school year. It is very similar to the 21-22 school year budget with adjusting some items to represent a more accurate estimate.

Please review the proposed budget and we will vote on it. Only PTA members are allowed to vote and I have a list of those members here if you are unaware if you have paid for a membership.

Voting to approve the proposed budget:

12 - Yes

0 - No

The budget has been approved.

New Business:

Winter Event - We have permitted the building for two dates in early February, the 4th and 11th for a possible winter event. This could be a carnival type event or something else. We are looking for people who are interested to be on the committee to help plan the event. Is anyone here interested? You can always email us and let us know if you want to join the committee after tonight.

Committee/Project Updates:

Back to School Bash - The event is this Friday from 5:30-7:30pm. We are hoping for no rain! If there is rain we will move the event inside. We still need people to help set up and clean up. Let me know if you are available to help out. We will have pizza and drinks for sale for \$1 each. We will also be handing out freebies and have music and fun planned.

Book Fair - Conferences are Oct. 11 and 13. Read and Feeds are back! We will have Read and Feeds Wednesday, Oct 12 and Friday, Oct 14.

Staff Dinners - Along with conferences we will be providing dinners to staff working during conferences. We do a dinner for each night. If you would like to help plan or set up/clean up let us know.

Other Comments:

May Elections - Just a note that we will have all positions open for elections in May. If you have questions regarding any of the PTA positions feel free to reach out to us.

Volunteers - We are always looking for volunteers! Events, planning, set up/clean up, designing, technical, etc. Coming to the meetings is a great way to get involved and meet new people while having an impact on our school!

Adjourn: Chelsie motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:29pm and Moira MacKay-Brown seconded it.

The next meeting is schedule for Tuesday, October 18th at 6pm in the Media Center.