

Crestwood Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2016

Meeting called to Order at 7:37am

Welcome- Laura Greene- President

Approval of May minutes.

Speakers:

Scott Beckman: RPS Director of Security

*Coming soon- finger print scanner @ entrance of school

*Online volunteer forms- background checks performed on all adults who will be volunteering. Sign up at home, create an account, and print your clearance to bring with you when you come to volunteer.

Amy Vancil: Rockford Hope/Developing Healthy Kids

*Community education and prevention series coming to Rockford,
first speaker 10/5/2016

Amanda Hentsch: Junior Achievement

*offers programs that foster work-readiness, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy skills

*Still need parent volunteers- short 30 minute training session with curriculum provided

*Contact info- Amanda.hentsch@ja.org or 616-575-9080 ext 232

RPS Board of Education Candidates-

*Nick Reichenbach and Amy Vancil

*6 candidates running for 4 open seats

*Election Nov. 8, 2016

President Report (Laura Greene)

*Check out the PTO facebook page and website

*Last year a spending committee was formed- used some extra funds to update the teacher's lounge

VP Volunteer Coordination Report (Jen Baker)

*VIE is now online- sign-up genius

*head room parents still needed for Danhof and Macqueen

VP of Programs Report (Becki Morrow)

*open house/ice cream social will likely be changed to snow cones next year

Treasurer Report (Addie Guzman)

*Budget- activity pass due 9/30, excess in budget went to updating the teacher's lounge, gaga pit, teacher grants, and paved track fund

Secretary Report (Jill Jameson)

*School Directory- new format- will be online this year. Still waiting for online information verifications to be completed. Projected date to publish- beginning of October

Positive Place Committee Report (Katrina Heiss and Lauren Steindler)

*Recess Clubs- free clubs offered at recess ie. Spanish, bricks for kids, book club, still need a few more volunteers

*Watchdogs- Positive male role model presence in our building

*Kickoff pizza party Tuesday 9/20 6:30-7:30 pm

*Creative Collecting for Teachers- hoping to raffle off donated items as teacher appreciation gifts ie. Tickets, gift cards, etc.

*Planning a Free babysitter night for our teachers- to be offered in Dec.

Principal's Report (Nicole Reeves)

*Thank you from the teachers for the updated teacher lounge

*Will be sending out a survey regarding this year's revamped open house format, and curriculum being online

*Universal Screening Completed- parents should be hearing sometime within the next week if their child needs some extra help

*PBIS- focusing on being safe, respectful, and responsible

*Technology- 1:1 initiative- K-1st school issued ipad, 2nd-5th school issued laptops

*Modes of Communication

*Family access- principal/district's mode of communication

*Schoology- teacher's mode of communication

*Skyward- Data management system

*Birthday Treats- No food items allowed for birthday treats. Non-food items ok. Keeping kids with allergies safe and confidential.

Adjourned: 8:28am