

**Triadelphia Ridge Elementary School (TRES) PTA, Inc.**  
**General Membership Meeting**  
**TRES Media Center**  
**February 13, 2019**

President Kathy Broadbent called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.

Minutes from the January 23, 2019 General Membership Meeting were accepted without changes.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** – Victoria Budich, Treasurer

- See February 2019 Treasurer's Report for details.
- Venmo – Discussed with PTACHC Treasurer. TRES PTA will attempt to implement it and will follow-up w/ PTACHC at end of year to discuss results. Will try to implement it before Int'l Night.
- Considering putting a PayPal fundraising button on website.
- Retriever Run, Winter Dance and Int'l Night events are coming up.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> grade did a good job of spending funds (going to see Shrek the Musical at Atholton High School)

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT** – Heather Moraff, TRES Assistant Principal

- Thank you to the PTA for Lunar New Year Lunch and tomorrow's staff lunch for Parent Teacher conferences.
- Thank you to Ms. Walker for coordinating the upcoming JA in a Day. This will be held in lieu of Career Day. A curriculum is sent to TRES and volunteer parents implement it. Still in need of volunteers for several classrooms.
- Need for everyone to update Family File (for early closings / dismissal plan changes) so kids can get safely home.

**PTACHC MEETING REPORT** – Jianning Zeng and Nicole Koonce, Delegates

- See attached notes from Jianning Zeng.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Box Tops** – Allura Slater

- Box Tops are due again! Friday, February 22nd is the last date to get them in for the March 1<sup>st</sup> submission. Reminder flyers, email blast, and morning announcements will go out soon.
- This is another Race to Recess -- the class that brings in the most this race will receive an extra indoor recess with Dr. Tresler and "minute-to-win-it" games.
- It looks like we'll easily hit the goal of \$1000 for the year.

### **Community Outreach** – Mandy Webb and Dianne Egrie

- We had great participation in our Angel Tree program in December. Filled all the requests for the two families TRES adopted and supplemented two additional family gift requests that had not been filled by FQMS.
- No set upcoming outreach efforts other than ongoing support (as needed) for Elephants and Bees.
- Hoping to do a final outreach campaign by the end of the year, but only if we can fit it in so it doesn't interfere with other PTA / TRES efforts (like the Retriever Run).
- Mrs. Kelly Haag noted that the Pennies for Patients campaign runs through Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Discussed promoting Elephants & Bees campaign during International Night.

### **Cultural Arts** – Leslie Toussaint

- The STEM-related Cultural Arts assembly was re-scheduled for Tuesday Feb. 26, due to the weather-related school closing on Jan. 30.
- The contract for Shakespeare for the Young's March 22 performance was submitted and is pending approval.

### **Family Socials – Retriever Rally** Julie Patrone & Rachel Jean Baptiste

- Reserved the DJ and photo booth, and distributed the electronic flyer.
- Mrs. Moraff requested that the PTA review the photo props for the photo booth prior to the event to ensure the props are appropriate for a school function. Suggested that someone monitor / supervise the photos booth area.

### **Fifth Grade Activities** – Cathie Boarman & Joanna Werner

- Currently sourcing t-shirt vendors. Will start the t-shirt process with the 5th graders during the last week in February.
- Mrs. Moraff will ask Dr. Tresler to follow up with Cathie Boarman about the 5th grade "moving up" ceremony – Will it be combined with the 5th grade picnic at the end of the year?

### **First Grade Young Authors** – Sanjivani Kolge

- China Williams reported that plans for this project are in motion.

### **International Night** – Jeannette Balciunas & Miranda Butzlaff

- March 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 – 8:30 pm. Will change volunteer sign-up to sign-up genius to get more volunteers. Will also send out paper flyers.

## Memory Book – Chrissie Lazaris

- Need volunteers for 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade, as well as someone to take pictures and upload pictures of related arts programs.
- Jeannette Balciunas obtained copies of pictures from TRES Twitter feeds and saved them onto the Strawbridge Website. Received a good number of related arts photos from there. Miss Royo has also added many photos.
- Yearbook photographer is coming on March 1<sup>st</sup> and Mrs. Moraff can ask for candid.
- Jeannette is working on the 5<sup>th</sup> grade baby pictures. She currently has 18 pictures. She is in need of TRES' new families' email addresses to solicit additional photos. Jeannette will coordinate family contact with Mrs. Moraff.
- Talent Show page is done.
- Completion deadline is typically March 1<sup>st</sup>...may be extended.

## Retriever Run – Theresa Cassino & Theresa Riley

- Registration Fee: Race expenses are currently \$12 - \$15 per racer (assuming 200 racers) including shirts, medals etc. Sponsorships will be over and above and will help our race to be a good fundraiser for PTA.
- Registrations: We are only at about 6 right now. Will work with Dr. Tresler on advertising to the school community. Need to emphasize the early bird pricing until the end of Feb. Need early registrations for shirt and medal orders. Adding a virtual option for those unable to make the race day. Virtual will be the same cost and can be picked up at packet pick up night at Grotto's (medal included in packet for virtual) or contact TC for packet pickup option (no mailing).
- Advertising: We would like to make a paper registration form for putting in teacher mailboxes and passing out to kids. We would also like to make flyers to post at local businesses / running stores. Want to make yard signs to put up at the school. Dr. Tresler may advertise to other local principals for their newsletters.
- Facebook: Chris Miller created a Facebook event to assist with advertising and sponsor recognition.
- Packet Pickup at Grotto's: Packet pickup will be Thursday May 2<sup>nd</sup> at Grotto's in Columbia or on race morning. We want to encourage people to go to Grotto's as the community night is a fundraiser for the PTA (dine in or carry out). Will need to print out flyer to bring for us to get credit and cannot hand out the night of the community event. Closer to race we will send home with kids, stuff teacher mailboxes as even if not racing the community night is a fundraiser. Will also include in race instructions the Sunday before the race. Grotto's will also be donating \$3 off large pizza coupons for our race packets.
- Sponsors: We are asking all committee members to reach out to 3 companies / local businesses to ask them to sponsor our race. Donations can be monetary or in-kind (food, water etc). Cut off for logos on shirts will be the end of March so we need sponsor logos by then to make it on the shirt.
- Logo: This will be on medals and shirts. Medals will have blue logo, shirts will be blue with this logo in white.
- Post-Race Food Truck: Reaching out to T&J Waffles to see if they are available. Carmen's Italian Ice and Kona Ice are also possible options (they donate back as well).
- School Connection: We want to start working on excitement with the school. Can we do a contest for most registrations (similar to box tops) with a prize like extra recess? Will follow up with

music teachers about national anthem and art teachers about signs for the race for pathway between schools.

**Spirit Wear** – Jen Levy

- The online store is still open through the first week of May. We'll be doing a free shipping promo from 3/22 to 4/8. Total sales are approximately \$2,000 which is awesome as we've met the maximum earning potential (20% of the total sales).

**Staff Appreciation** – Jaime Luse & Andrew Jacques

- All staff parent teacher conference lunch volunteer spots have been filled – thank you!
- Ordered items from Wegmans – had the best selection and was the most economical.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Submitted by Jennifer Kennedy, Secretary

## **MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

### BOARD

Kathy Broadbent

Heather Moraff

China Williams

Victoria Budich

Jennifer Kennedy

Kelly Haag

Leslie Toussaint

Jeannette Balciunas

Theresa Cassino

Jaime Luse

### MEMBERS / GUESTS

Amanda Salamon