



Meeting date:	January 10, 2018
Time (Start/Adjourn):	6:00 - 7:10 PM EST
Attendance Total:	14
Board Members:	(6) Kerry Labovitz, Tasha Benson, Laura Hancock, Kierstie Keller, Christine Sedam, Courtney Mulvey
PTA Members:	(8) Jacquie DeFreze, Marie Soucy, Sheila Adams, Suzanne Lull, Margaret Honda, Laurin Flynn, Andrea DeCee (visiting area – has 5 children under 10), Nina Parrott

## Agenda Items/Notes

### 1. Co-Presidents' Report

- i. Introductions
  - All attending members knew each other; introductions were waved
- ii. Playground Update
  - Working with REF on new playground structure for RES grade 3-5
  - Seeing if school board will also assist
  - Older kids would like something new and fresh at the school
  - Denise Wheeler is doing a survey with the kids and should have results by next board meeting and will put a playground committee together with some of the students
  - Tasha Goyette and Julie Dedarian are leading it from REF
- iii. Lunch Payment Update
  - PaySchool Application was tested application and it seemed easy to use but doesn't have a mobile app
  - The application integrates with current school platform
  - Can see what has been ordered on each day and you can see and put in limitations
  - Can transfer money from one student to another
  - Was on the agenda but got bumped and are waiting to see if it'll be on the agenda next week – Will check with Paula
  - Checking with other schools (Greenland) to see if the SAU would be interested as a whole
  - Helpdesk available to assist
  - Can do an auto-payment system
  - Before board meeting – post to FB group to survey if parent would find value in this type of application
- iv. RJH Book Fair
  - Planned for March
  - Would like PTA to help facilitate volunteers
  - Mary will provide updated date; looking for someone to help set up sign-up genius and work with Mary; Margaret Honda volunteered to coordinate with Mary
- v. PTA Board – 2018/2019
  - Christine and Laura terms are coming up
  - Volunteers to have candidates to fill those board member slots

### 2. Vice President's Report

- i. Grant requests and vote
  - One Grant "The Breakout.EDU"

- GO through clues from book and figure out how to open the box in a collaborative effort
- Asking for Premiere course \$60; currently can only pick from “Free” games
- The books integrate science and math
- Would also like to leverage it for the Summer Camps
- Access to courses that have been created and tested
- Like an “escape room”
- Unanimous YES

ii. Son’s Nights Out

- Thursday March 8 – 5:30 – 7:30 PM
- Laura will do signup genius beginning of February
- Lanes have been reserved
- \$9.95 for shoes, pizza, tokens – Charge \$12
- Holds 120 people
- Sold out first year; had some open spots last year

### 3. Treasurer’s Report

i. Budget Report

- Approximately \$56K is in the bank currently
- Running close to breaking even
- ASE is profiting
- Request to have ASE teachers to get receipts in by 4<sup>th</sup> week of ASE
- Christine is looking to automate process in QuickBooks

### 4. Secretary’s Report

i. Approve Minutes

- Minutes approved for last month; posted to website

### 5. After-School Enrichment (ASE) Update

- Session 4 – 2<sup>nd</sup> week
- Approx. 2K profit for the session
- Mel is getting session 5 organized; will post in 2 weeks
- Nina is organizing summer camp and will post with Session 5
- RES (June 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>)
  - Morning elementary
    - ❖ Art studio with Mrs. Bean and Mrs. Turner
    - ❖ Games: Mr. Ross and Ms. Paul
    - ❖ Eileen Murphy and Hannah – Cooking and gardening
    - ❖ DeFreze – Detective agency – 4-5
  - Afternoon
    - ❖ STEM – rockets, solar oven, slime
    - ❖ Jen Dervan - Outside arts; mixed medium
    - ❖ DeFreze – MakerSpace madness
    - ❖ Recycled Percussion class – make your instruments and play (Nina will look into group that does this to bring an example
- RJH (June 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>)

- Coding class
- School of Rock – DJ will introduce bands and how to do mixed tapes
- Graphic design – Photoshop, Illustrator
- Jewelry making class
- Fiber Arts class
- Ninja Warriors class
- Top Chef class
- Are ASE teachers who live farther get reimbursed for tolls and gas? Will look into the cost and then reconsider adjustments to policy and/or rates
  - Board will discuss out of pocket expenses in addition to supplies; we factor \$100 for supplies and ASE asks them if they need more they need to approach first before spending for approval
- Moth is getting started – first meeting is January 22<sup>nd</sup>

## 6. Other business

- Brief update from Nina for a future activity around “Lobster” or a similar concept
  - Krista Atwater wants to teach a class called “Lobster”; each week there will be a different person come in an talk about different aspects (fish and game, catch lobsters, eat lobsters, etc.)
  - Could be a speaker series option where various aspects are discussed that you could sign up for things you are interest in learning about
  - Gets community members in the school
  - Would be great to merge schools for these activities and get more involvement with RJH
  - Nina will follow up
- Save the date for the Regatta – May 31<sup>st</sup>
  - Raffle and/or auction the boats after the event
- Christine asked on behalf of REF if they could use Eventbrite to manage the event
  - Just for use of the platform to sign up (no cost)
  - PTA doesn’t have to share it out; Donna will take care of it
  - Catherine Stewart is the director and will an in school assembly and evening performance
  - 8 week session starts Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> - Monday and Tuesday after school- Grades 4-5, 25 students
  - April 11<sup>th</sup> for the performance
  - Play was created based on history of the town