

Rye PTA Agenda

Date: 1/5/2021

Time: 6:30

Virtual Meeting ID

Location: meet.google.com/yhr-itjq-gwc

Next Meeting

Mon, Feb 1 @ 6:30

Parking Lot

1. [School Board Dates](#)
2. Reflections- Arts recognition via PTA (2020/2021)

In attendance: Board members: H. Mills, T. Dennen, M. Wheeler, R. Kaplan
S. Driscoll, C. Spollen, S. Lull, D. Uliano, M. Curtin, unknown, unknown

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Item <small>(I: Info, D: Discussion, A: Action)</small>	Time	Notes	Action Steps <small>Pending: <input type="checkbox"/> Cancelled: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Done: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></small>
Approve Minutes		Dec Minutes approved	Approved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<u>Budget Update (RK)</u> >Are we allocating funds appropriately?	:05	Sent via email ***This year is a very different year for the budget. Virtually nothing to compare to. Use footnote of "2020" ---Should reference 2019-2020 Budget for a more accurate representation of funds. ---But also, some of the changes due to Covid might stick General Ledger (GL) for Rye PTA is very specific. IE: Monster Mash	

		<p>rather than Fall event. Maybe be more generalized in the future. ---It might be so specific to remember the events :)</p> <p>Lots of money comes through PayPal, but it does not specify where the money should go. IE: Membership, Ghosts, Monster Mash, etc.</p>		
<u>Sponsor Update- (CS)</u>	:05	<p>Nothing new. --Email sent to Ryan about monies needed to be moved. All set! --CS will work on TY notes :)</p>		
<u>School Board- MC</u> PTA member @ school board meetings		<p>Budget season! Going through Town Budget Committee (1/13) and the Deliberative Session (Feb. 2) --Heather Reed will run for re-election.</p>		
<u>Membership Update- (TD)</u>	:10	Coming Soon		
<u>RES & RJH Updates-</u>		<p>Teachers and staff were overwhelmed by community and PTA support in December.</p> <p>SL will send link to Google Classroom presentation in next update.</p>	-	
<u>Grant Updates-</u>	:15	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Outdoor classroom- SD 2. Draft plan to remind teachers to apply for grants 3. Sleds (will follow up) 		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>Outdoor classroom-</u> <i>Details-</i> Other local schools spend hours outside for academic content. Looking to provide the same opportunity for RES students. Years ago RES did have an outdoor component. Need to make the area safe for students too. Had a tree

	<p>specialist look at the area. Would cost between \$4500-5000 to remove questionable trees. Also looking to have a “gear closet” so all students can access the outdoor classroom opportunities. There would also be a maintenance cost down the road as well. (Cornerstone Tree Removal, Micum)</p> <p>--Would be a clearing, no structure. --Will need a volunteer day to use natural materials to create a “classroom” environment. --There is an overgrown trail that meets up with Dondero that (in the future) would be wonderful to resurrect! ---Would love to see a partnership between Dondero and Rye PTA if/when the trail is connected</p> <p>What is the ultimate plan for the PTA in the creation and maintenance of the outdoor classroom? --Not much in the future. Maybe trail cams or other resources. RES would really own it. Should be budgeted through the school. Insurance standpoint? --School owns the property, but should be similar to kids on the playground.</p> <p>Look into other tree removal quotes? -North East Shade Tree -Piscatqua Landscaping <i>Approved up to \$4500 (1/12)</i></p> <p>2. <u>Ways to get teachers to</u></p>	
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		<p align="center"><u>apply for grants?!</u></p> <p>--We have plenty of money. ASK! --Teachers know the PTA is here for them, teachers are in "survival mode" trying to figure out this year. --When new ideas come up SL is confident teachers will research out.</p> <p>When other ways can PTA support? 3. Sleds --Approved, just need receipt (1/12)</p>		
<p><u>ASE Update- SB</u></p>		<p><i>Plans to run at RJH (pending interest!!! January 19th.</i></p> <p>---Not RES because students are in Pods. Wouldn't be prudent to mix that up now. Hopeful for the Spring. 6 weeks, rolling if school closes it will just pick back up 3 classes- Outdoor activity club, Outdoor walking history club, running club. --need 10 kids per club to run then to break even.</p> <p>Donna left- organized and created class lists. Stacey will fill this role!!! --Asked Stacey to keep track of her hours. Will vary depending on year and interest level.</p> <p>What can the PTA do at RJH to help promote ASE? --Things are in the works! --PTA FB Page, emails</p> <p>Historically ASE has been a huge income producer. More so at RES, but hopeful it will at least break even</p>		

		because activities are so limited due to Covid. RJH just has more options for students and students have more freedom due to their age.		
<p><u>Calendar of Events</u> Calendar here</p> <p><u>Something for Valentine's Day?</u></p>	:15	<p><u>Dec:</u> <i>Stocking Elves-</i> Over 700 made!</p> <p><i>Small Town, Bright Lights-</i> Over 40 entrees & a bright town. Overall a huge success, town members enjoyed it! Made notes for next to streamline the event.</p> <p><i>Teacher Appreciation-</i> Teachers and staff overwhelmed, felt appreciated :)! Loved the burritos!</p> <p><u>Feb:</u> <i>Valentine's Day-</i> Secret Valentine? Flowers?</p> <p><u>Spring:</u> Movie night ***Might be able to use grounds for events. Needs approval. --Could arrange through Prescott Park (see SD) --PTA has movie licence through ...</p>		Molly will email board with decis
<p><u>Officer Transition</u> Timing and recruitment</p>		<p>Generally stagger when Board Members are released. ---Need Pres for 2 years, Sec for 2 years, VP (for one year)</p>		

<u>Next meeting date</u>				

Future Dates / Times / Agendas:

Meetings: first Tuesday of the month, unless otherwise stated.