

Rockland Family Association Minutes

May 7, 2019 - Rockland Learning Center - 7:00pm

In Attendance

Tara Deering
Keri Woodward
Jasett Ktsanes
Jessica Longly
Shannon Metzger
Jami Schaer
Sarah Paddack
Nicole Slobe
Rob Mulsoff
Elizabeth Kurkowski
Kristy Ciaglo
Maggie Krynski
(Unrecognizable signature)
Anca Zegrean
Dan Bundic
Joy Logsdon
Jessica Page
Toni Parvis
Stephanie Weatherly

5th Grade Updates

- 5th grade BBQ - May 31, Adler 8:00 - 9:45pm
- Memory books coming in May 23
- 5th grade gift - TV put outside of the gym
- 5th grade boys event - May 17
 - Tommy Hawk
- 5th grade girls event - May 30
 - Heather's Gym

Field Day - June 4

- Still need volunteers
- If it rains, there will not be a Field Day, but they would still serve lunch

Rockland Cares

- 315 service hours this year
- There will be an end-of-the-year backpack drive - No date at this time

Author Nathan Hale

- Grades 1-5 contest to write an essay about historical events
- May 15

JA

- Send 2-questions to teachers
- What did you think and what can we do to make it better?
- Room seems to prefer Spring as well
- Start recruitment after Career Day
- Keep pushing after that

Board Reports

- Dr. Schumacher's Retirement Gift
 - Kindness Tree off of the Nurse's office (Kindness at Rockland) - Not a real tree
- Suggestion: Paint rocks with kindness messages for a Community Garden or along the front of the sidewalk
- May 29 - Reception

FAD 70 Meeting - Met the new Superintendent

- Dr. Schumacher mentioned ALICE training - Being utilized Oak Grove and the district is looking at implementing the same training
- Officer Heidi has been through the training
- They are finalizing a new Tech Director
- Last Day of School confided for June 5
- Please complete online school registration
- eLearning Days - D70 is in a holding pattern on how these will look for next year
- Business Partners - Jersey Mike's is back
- Next year's school calendar is live

- Social and emotional learning will be at D70 next school year
- Integrate Character Counts into social/emotional learning
- Looking at a new social studies curriculum for next year
- Bus app - Can track its location

Budget Update

- Current Balance: \$31,587.28
 - \$1,417.96 - Total spent on Gifts to School
 - See pictures
- Expect to come out \$5,000 ahead
- Book Fair Update: Raised \$763 through Scholastic - \$759 spent on new books

Playground Initiative

- We're looking at new options
- We could use \$5,000 to jumpstart our fundraising efforts
- We could rollover another \$5,000 towards a new playground that we typically use for start-up costs (Total of \$10,000)
- The man involved in the playgrounds at Adler, Butterfield and Copeland
 - Feedback: We have a safe playground, it's old (1993) and can be upgraded when we want it to be
 - Mr. Knapp: All of the chains will be replaced this summer (delayed due to ordering special parts)
 - Playground inspected by insurance company every single year
 - Maintenance staff looks at playground equipment every week
- Committee Volunteering
 - Sarah Paddock is raising her hand
 - May need to increase RFA lunch prices to help offset costs
 - Tapping into Rockland grads for additional funds
 - It will be posted on signup.com
- Option: Apex Fun Run
 - Pledge-based fundraiser based on number of laps
 - Title 1 school raised \$20,000
- Butterfield used Orange Ruler for their recent Track-a-Thon and it only took 10% off the top
- Libertyville Community Grant
- Other playground grants
- Home Depot/Lowe's grants

- Preliminary Costs:
 - \$48,000 (larger)
 - \$20,000 (smaller)
- Goal: Phased approach
- Approved: Saving money toward playground expenditures

Swearing-In of New Officers

- Jasett Ktsanes - 2nd VP
- Jessica Longly - Secretary
- Jessica Page - Co-Treasurer

Mr. Knapp - Building Updates

- Kindergarten Orientation: Mid- to High-50s
 - Expecting to shift teachers around
 - Stonehocker - Moving down to K; Sundh moving down to 3
- RFA Staff Appreciation Lunch - May 10
- JA (already covered)
- Volunteer Breakfast - May 17
- Yearbooks - Tuesday after Memorial Day
- Dr. Schumacher Celebration
 - Every school is presenting him with a book of our kids
 - Rockland Kindness Tree
 - Going to do something special for him with the students at the final bell ceremony
- Call for Help - Dr. Schumacher signs
 - 150 signs dropped off and will be put in yards around Libertyville
 - Email on May 17 for parents to pick up signs from 3:15 - 3:45pm
 - Rockland parents will assist with handing them out