

Lava Ridge PTO

General Meeting Minutes for October 5, 2017

Attendees: PTO 2017/18 Team Board: Tiffany Hewlett-President, Jenny -Vice President, Stephanie Walker-Treasurer, Melinda Robertson-Secretary, Miriam Dunn-Volunteer Coordinator **Members; Teachers & Faculty, Attendees:** Mr. Gary Defrang, Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. Sanderson, Mrs. Camis, Mr. Hamilton, Mrs. Anglin, Mr. Kingry, Mrs. Schendell, Mr. Roberts

Tiffany Hewlett called the meeting to order at 3:45pm.

Introduction of PTO Team Board: Tiffany Hewlett-President, Jenny -Vice President, Stephanie Walker-Treasurer, Melinda Robertson-Secretary, Miriam Dunn-Volunteer Coordinator

Principal's Report: An encouraging beginning of the school year with the PTO involvement of supporting the "AR" reading program, September's Movie Night was a success.

Student safety: a new Raptor Security System will be launching soon. It will bring a new level of security at Lava Ridge with scanning volunteers/parents against a 50 state database to secure that a child predator will not be allowed in the building. Paperwork will be sent home soon with the students with more information.

Opening of Rock Ridge Park: additional safety will be provided by the city for the students by adding two raised crosswalks on Egypt St./Ranch Village Dr. and Egypt St. Date has not been determined when crosswalks installed. The PTO will have a crossing guard volunteer form sent out in the future to those whom are willing to be on a rotation.

School Bond Passed: Several projects will be completed next summer. 1) Every door will be locked with a buzzing system that will allow a person into a secure entry at Lava Ridge. 2) Classrooms will have ceiling fans and other areas of school installed for cooler airflow. 3) Replacement and upgrading of all cabinetry in classrooms. 4) Upgrades to the HVAC system.

PTO Lion Dash with Mr. Roberts: fundraising kicked off last week Wednesday at an assembly with a Video he created and is on YouTube.com explaining what Lion Dash is. Friday, October 13th on the Lava Ridge field the whole school and parents will either walk or run in laps. Prizes and medals awarded to top students and classrooms. Students can register online at TheGetMovingCrew.com or through the sent home white envelopes. The goal is \$13,000.

Box Tops with Mrs. Schendell: Box Tops are collected at the front office, Mrs. Schendell's & Mr. Robert's classrooms. If students bring in their tops in a bag then they get entered for a monthly drawing.

Kindergarten Teacher Report by Mrs. Anglin: started the Wonders curriculum and reading groups, writing workshops and sounds on paper, math patterning, learning how to get along, rules and layout of school.

First Grade Teacher Report by Mrs. Sanderson: Students are getting back into the routine, finished first Dibels assessments, started Lava Read groups, October 24th students will have their annual field trip Shevlin Hixon Park, October 31st students will have a Harvest Party with games, activities and dressing up in costume, upcoming field trips to Rock Ridge Park all school year.

Second Grade Teacher Report by Mrs. Kennedy: Students began their Lava Read groups, completed Dibels assessments, will utilize and help students take ownership of the Rock Ridge Park this school year, Student Conferences coming at the end of the month, October 31st students will have a Harvest Party at the last hour of school, gearing up for Lion Dash, Fall Art, Studying Map skills- painted pumpkins into globes.

Third Grade Teacher Report by Mr. Hamilton: Lava Read has begun, Writing narrative true stories about themselves, Math reviews of addition & subtraction facts fluency, students are learning rules, training, set ups for iPads and will be sent home with each student in January, October 31st the students are going to their annual field trip to The High Dessert Museum.

Fourth Grade Teacher Report by Mrs. Camis: Reading and Math testing, writing narrative realistic fiction, science, Art with Annie, Growth Mindset assessments.

Fifth Grade Teacher Report by Mr. Kingry: Students rotate with all 5th grade teachers for different subjects preparing them for Middle School, reviewing Math-facts, multiplication, gearing up for Lion Dash, Annual campout at Camp Tamarack in spring now fundraising for it.

Treasurer's Report: Stephanie explained where the PTO funds are allocated; teacher and school grants, technology, educational supplies, art, music, physical education, teacher appreciation, Running Club and administration.

Volunteers Manager Report: Miriam encouraged the Room Parents to take their notes from the meeting and share it on Bloomz with their classes to inform those parents not able to make the meeting. Also, discussed the volunteer opportunities available at the Lion Dash fundraiser.

New Business

Annie Rustand, mother at Lava Ridge, proposed the PTO fund her to keep Art at Lava Ridge. She is developing a STEAM visual art curriculum with Portland University designing concepts. She would like to use her curriculum in two years at the school. Secondly, she would like to create an after school Art Club partnering with Bend Parks & Rec.

Tasha MacFarland: Battle of the Books coming the second Friday of November. Book Fair is November 13-16th.

Next YumRaiser is November 9th.

Next PTO meeting is December 7th at 3:45pm.

Thank you to all that attended today's meeting. The faculty stated that it was the highest attendance they've seen.

Meeting closed at 4:43pm.

Minutes Respectfully Taken By:
Melinda Robertson, PTO Secretary