



Ruhkala PTC January Meeting Minutes

Members In attendance: Julie, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Gottschalk

Board Members Present: Rosalyn, Shena, Erin, Nick and Mike

Principal's Report: Welcome back from the Christmas break. We are starting recess rodeo and going back over school expectations starting this Friday and next Friday. Husky Shuffle starts next week. Looking for more parent help, we don't have enough staff to do all the kids at one time. Without volunteers some classes will not be able to participate. We are looking forward to Missoula coming up in a few weeks.

Treasurer's Report: Mid-year update is in with half of the fundraisers recorded. The big ones such as the Auction, Jog a Thon are still to come and hopefully will bring us above our forecasted projections. It has been mentioned about adding a line item for Missoula for next year, or a fundraiser for next year to cut costs. We are taking the left-over Choir budget and giving the rest to Missoula. We bought the new wagons, and gave \$500 to the 5th Grade for Science camp, and the rest will now be helping cur the cost of Missoula per child. At the April Meeting we will revisit Missoula line item for next years budget, and take suggestions on what we might need to add or replace.

Husky Hut: Doing well, most popular item are the pens with all the changing colors. Still well under budget, and kids seem to be really enjoying it.

Spirit Night: Chipotle went well, and we brought in \$267. Panda is happening on the 28th. We are open to the idea of a staff Spirit Night, where they serve the kids. Need PTC help and parents to volunteer.

Chocolate Sales: We are able to give back \$100 to each teacher, we were hoping for more and still have 26 boxes in the office to sell. We had some returned unsold and had to eat the cost of those. We will look into what worked and what didn't for the timing of fundraisers next year. Again, this is all new to us and we are working on missteps and mistakes we made. We are looking into future fundraisers that are dedicated to class money, Missoula, Coloma, Science Camps and Field Trips.

Technology Update: No real tech updates, more of a Construction update. Portables will be delivered in March, and if you have any questions for Craig Rouse please give them to Mike and

he will be sure they are forwarded to him. Mike has been having monthly conversations and keeping us updated. Thanks Mike

Upcoming Events: Valentines Dance 2/7, Tile Party 3/19, Jog a Thon now 4/3, and Auction will be 4/24. Staff Appreciation Week 5/11-5/15, along with Open House. We will do a PTC dinner for sale that night as well. We need volunteers to help with all events, it's been a very low turn out so far for help. We are hoping to send a Sign-Up Genius for all Upcoming Events, we are trying to open all ways to communicate to families and get help.

Closing remarks: Thank you to all the parents, teachers and high schoolers who have helped this year. We understand you are all so busy and we appreciate you taking the time to help. Please feel free to email us with any suggestions on how we can improve on what we are doing. We have had a great year so far and are looking to finish strong with our big fundraisers. We have a great PTC Leadership Team, who really works well together, and has enjoyed helping the school with the events we have done this year. A special thanks to Rosalyn, our President, who puts so much work into each event and leads us all so well. Your hard work and dedication has been so valuable to our PTC Team, and most importantly the school.