

**REED RANCH SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2024 - 3:45-5:15PM**

IN ATTENDANCE

Merissa, Chantelle, Debbie, Erin, Kirsty, DJ, Amanda, Jasmine

CALL TO ORDER

Merissa called the meeting to order at 3:45pm

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda made by Erin, seconded by Chantelle.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Chantelle read May 27, 2024 meeting minutes. DJ made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes, Debbie seconded.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

A) TREASURER'S REPORT

Report given by Debbie.

Debbie has been trying out a new accounting program called, Zero program. She is doing a free trial, and after that it will be \$20.99 / month. Debbie made a motion to continue on and spend the \$20.99/ month. Chantelle seconded, All in favour, Motion carried. The audit is now done.

B) PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE

Report given by Merissa.

There will be a playground meeting this Thursday to make sure that everything is in place. One call has already come out and marked everything. Division will come out and start digging October 15-18. The playground equipment will be dropped off on October 18, So we will need to have \$117,867.75 ready to send to BDI. The install will happen the week of October 21- 25, and October 28-November 1 we will do the final touches. Kirsty made a motion to cover 117,867.75 plus banking fees, Erin seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

C) HOT LUNCH

Report given by Merissa.

We have added slide to Fridays in our rotation now. That's 4 extra hot lunches. Chilli went over better than expected. We will be making a few amendments to the hot lunch order form as some of the kindergarten families paid for the friday hot lunches. We have credited those families their money. Chantelle made a motion asking for \$200 to purchase disposable containers for hot lunches. Kirsty seconded, All in favor, motion carried. Chantelle also made a motion asking for \$200 to replace some kitchen tools like serving spoons, sharp knives, hot pads, etc. DJ seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

D) HOLIDAY GIFT BAG

Report given by Chantelle.

We will not do up goody bags up for Halloween. We will do up 100 bags for Christmas again this year. Chantelle made a motion to spend \$500 for those bags. Debbie seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

E) PIZZA DAY

Report given by Chantelle.

This Thursday will be the first pizza day of the year. We will see on a monthly basis whether to get delivery or if someone is going to town and can pick up the pizza.

F) YEARBOOK

No report given

G) Fundraising

Report given by Debbie.

The spaghetti supper went really well. We have updated the list so we know better portion sizes. We ended up doing 80 meals instead of 60. We raised \$845 plus \$50 in donations. Our next event will be the cookie walk, which is scheduled for December 6th. We have decided not to do a Christmas Market this year. We will need about 1000 cookies donated. If you would like to donate cookies talk to Debbie. After that is the school raffle on December 12th. We need 10-12 items donated. We will use this fundraising monies for the purchase of new tables, 10 tables in total. Kirsty made a motion to purchase 10, 6ft tables for \$145/ table. Amanda seconded, all in favor, motion carried. In the spring we will be doing the West Coast Seed fundraiser again.

Motion to approve A-G made by Chantelle, seconded by Debbie.

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS

Picnic Tables

Erin and Merissa have sent off drawings for where they would like to put the picnic tables. They will have to be set in concrete so they will need to be put in in the spring.

PRINCIPALS REPORT

Report given by Erin.

Online and in the roundup there is Indigenous Resource course available to increase knowledge about Indigenous.

We are piloting a new Social Studies program. It is in draft form and its a revamp from the last one. If you have questions about it please reach out to Erin.

NEW BUSINESS

Secret Santa

Erin and the staff have chatted about this and they have come up with other things to do with the kids instead, for instance the hot chocolate cart etc. They have decided that mornings are prime learning time and that the EA are then tied up and it is not the best use of the EA's time. The over all consensus of the staff is to not have the secret santa. Instead the staff would like to highlight giving back to the community. The staff has asked that parent council help get christmas bags ordered to give to seniors or to even do a sock tree. Debbie asked if the staff could come with an idea and let us know how we can help. Its a great idea to show kids how they can give back to the community.

Santa for Christmas Concert

We will touch base with Lindsay H to work on her santa connection.

Gift for Kyla

Kyla's mom just passed away so we would like to give something to Kyla in remembrance of her mom. Dj will look into riding gloves that can be engraved. Debbie made a motion to spend \$30 for that. Amanda seconded, all in favor. Motion carried.

Amendment for Childcare Action Plan

Lindsay H has taken this on now, so if you have any questions, contact her. We amend to make the ratio for kids under 3 there is a 1:3 ratio instead of a 1:1 ratio. Debbie made a motion to approve this amendment, Chantelle seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Parent Matter

Merissa is on the parents matter again, so if you have a question you'd like her to ask please contact her.

CORRESPONDENCE

Jennifer Lutz has asked us if we would like to apply for some grant money, for things like, baseball diamond shale, etc. Potentially outdoor and indoor fixes. The county just changed it so that we are now a community hub not just a school so we qualify for grants.

NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting will be Monday October 28, 2024

Merissa adjourned the meeting at 5:23pm

THURSDAY OCTOBER 10, 2024

There was a playground committee meeting today and after the meeting Anjoli messaged on the Reed Ranch Core Parent Council messenger. Anjoli made a motion that parent council cover \$6000 if there are any unexpected expenses. Kirsty seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

