ROBBINSDALE SPANISH IMMERSION SCHOOL
PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

General Assembly Meeting Agenda: October 25, 2022

Meeting is held in-person at the school (Media Center) and online via Zoom (https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88280637327). If attending in-person, please sign-in via paper sheet. If attending online, please sign in here.

Agenda: **25 attendees (23 in-person, 2 online)**
- Welcome (SueLynn Junkert) - 2 minutes
- Introductions (Round table: please share name, role at the school/pto and/or children name/grade, and a highlight from the year so far. How would you like to engage with the school community?) - 15 minutes
- Intern Intro #1 (Laura) - 5 minutes
  - Intern from Spain, see bio link below
  - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1pTvXTw6bw5GTeAvrkEbaiI2ju2Cn5YZz/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=111851252057627450731&rtpof=true&sd=true
- Update from the Principals (Ken Habel & Dr. Alejandra Estrada-Burt) - 10 minutes
  - Rep. Ilhan Omar visited RSI on 10/24. Natasha Rice is an RSI alum and is working on Rep. Omar's team. Rep. Omar shared her personal story and her current job duties as a congressional representative - visited 3 classrooms- including (2) 4th grade, and (1) 2nd grade classrooms
  - Continuing to work with the Center for Biliteracy on biliteracy curriculum and evidence-based strategies for multilingual learners
  - 5th graders went on their first field trip in 2 years to Baker Park for a fun outdoor-learning experience
  - Great start to the first 7 weeks of school, including fall conferences and bookfair
  - Colin Ernste- RSI full time counselor- ran Unity Day Logros Assembly, first school-wide assembly. Discussed anti-bullying, reinforcing 2nd step curriculum in classrooms; important step in creating school community
    - staff able to reach more students due to increased support staff this year, including a full-time school counselor, full-time school social worker and psychologist, and a support student specialist
    - MTSS- multi-tiered system support framework - to help ensure positive social, emotional, behavioral, developmental, and academic outcomes for every student.
- Treasurer's Report (Morgan Wallace- Johnson) - 10 minutes
  - https://drive.google.com/file/d/1JI1ULkoCfBAYypoMEbmWwkWPxOBAI77t/view?usp=sharing
  - Sept and Oct expenditures reviewed as well as current balance status
  - October Dine to Donate: $668.20 raised
  - Grant Applications & Vote
    - 2 grant periods, fall and spring each school year
    - Includes budgeted funds and can include excess funds as available
    - Grants brought to the General Assembly meetings to vote upon have been approved by the principals and the PTO board
    - Grant 1: from Marie Bridge (RSI Media teacher) – for hosting author Anika Fajardo
      - $878.75 (one-time fee)
        - $750 presentation fee + $128.75 for book purchases
      - Author who developed original story for the movie *Encanto* and authored 2 children's books; was born in Columbia and raised in Minnesota
      - Would benefit 200 students, grades 4 & 5, and a small group of 5th grade students identified with interest in writing for a small-group writing workshop
      - Motion made to approve this grant by Sarah Taylor. Steph Hanna seconded it. Passed.
    - Grant 2: from Marie Bridge (RSI Media teacher) – for Media Center/Library enhancements including additional furniture
      - To provide more space for group work, meet sensory needs, and help update current media center environment
      - $7546.77- current request, includes list of specific furniture items w/ shipping costs included

- Requires approval from General Assembly, but because of amount requested and financial laws within the school district, will need to have approval from the school district as well, if supported by the General Assembly
  - Principals think think timeline for district approval could be by year-end, and that completion of the project could be by end of the 22-23 school year
- High impact ·- will benefit all students and includes longevity for additional years of benefits to future students
- Last Media Center upgrade was at least 8+ years ago, likely longer, per principals
- Additional questions:
  - Question asked about carpet and fabric material of proposed items. Reviewed that current proposed items are mostly from LakeShore Learning- and materials meet safety codes as well as are known for ease of cleaning and longevity as they are widely used within educational settings
  - Suggestion made to request approval for an amount slightly over the current requested amount to allow for potential variation w/ item pricing or shipping cost changes.
- Motion·made to increase amount of grant to $10,000-11,000 and approve the grant at this monetary level by Nicole Armstrong. Motion seconded by Kathryn Diaz. Passed.
  - Grant 3: from Colin Ernste (RSI school counselor) – for Youth Frontier Kindness Retreat in Spring 2023
    - $2950
    - Includes all 4th and 5th grade students, 5-hour program, on-site at school, providing interactive programming geared towards leadership and empowerment
    - Both principals support- aligns with 2nd step curriculum already used within the school
    - Positive feedback shared from a member who teaches in another district that has used this program with their students.
    - Principals shared support for program and goal for creating a culture of upperclassmen leadership skills to carry with them into future school years, as well as for the 5th graders to have a culmination experience at end of elementary, and to build leadership of the 4th grade students
    - Motion made to approve this grant by Nicole Armstrong. Motion seconded by Sarah Taylor. Passed.
- Intern Intro #2 (Kevin) - 5 minutes
  - from El Salvador; see bio link below
  - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1em7nttxhpJt9tdMztu9Y_KllGLwpkUZ2/edit?usp=share_link&ouid=111851252057627450731&rtpof=true&sd=true
- Original meeting time limit reached. Members encouraged to stay as schedule allowed for additional updates below and social time following the meeting.
- Program/Fundraiser Updates & Volunteer Needs - 10 minutes
  - Booster-thon (Tiffany/Jenny)
    - One of our biggest school fundraisers; kick-off is this Thursday 10/27. Event day: 11/4
    - In need of a social media coordinator for the short duration of the program (10/27-11/4)
    - Tiffany willing to collaborate with any volunteers
    - Boosterthon Social Media Coordinator SignUp & description
  - Spanish Junior Great Books (Toby)
    - Coordinator needed. Easy volunteer opportunity. Help with registration and coordinating the interns
    - Program is for 4th and 5th graders. Interns lead the weekly program in the mornings prior to school. Books are provided. $40/student. Invitations coming out to students in the next week or two.
    - Spanish Jr. Great Books SignUp & description
  - Skate Night (Nicole)
    - Has not been held for 3 years. Last one was in Fall 2019. Planning to be held at Cheap Skate in Coon Rapids. Looking to plan for a Tues, Wed, or Thursday evening. Interns planning to participate. Look for details once scheduled.
  - ISC/LAC Updates (Toby/Jess)
    - Interschool Council (ISC)- meeting canceled in Oct,

- - - Group aims to have parent groups from all district schools meet with administration, Superintendent, and his cabinet.
  - ○ STEM Night (Jess)
    - ■ due to time constraints, will discuss at next meeting
  - ○ La Noche Sin Niños (Mariah/Kristi)
    - ■ Event to be held on 2/10/23 at the DoubleTree Hotel in the West End
    - ■ Typically raises over $20,000 for the school
    - ■ Additional coordinators needed
    - ■ Additional volunteer opportunities to come - helping find business sponsors, donations for the silent auction, and social media help to promote
  - ○ Give to the Max Day (Sarah)
    - ■ Nov. 17th, 2022- Through GiveMN. Created in 2009. Early giving on 11/1. Incentives to nonprofits for donations given on that day
    - ■ Slide presentation: https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1U-l5ZQgaGyYJ4Yy6w33J_LkknuFFOK35LbDG9VN4WcU/edit?usp=share_link
  - ○ Bookfair results (SueLynn)
    - ■ Good turnout- 327 transactions. Feb 2022: 280 transactions.
    - ■ Scholastic dollars earned: $4668 to buy books and supplies for the school
  - ○ Upcoming Volunteer Needs (SueLynn)
    - ■ PTO website reviewed - https://rsi.rdale.org/families/pto
    - ■ Currently looking for a Boosterthon Social Media Coordinator, La Noche Coordinators, Spanish Jr. Great Books coordinators
    - ■ Current Volunteer opportunities: https://signup.com/Group/32702953766093000/
- ● Open Floor (Anyone) - Remaining time to 7:30 pm
  - ○ Missy shared information about an upcoming November symposium she heard about from current school board member, Helen Bassett
    - ■ Symposium fliers: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1btWjDa76V5gfFAZOIjtiR62IHkH_sk1f/view?usp=share_link
    - ■ https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LxK4Ez3jmLaeFp3j6jiTQkg0M9Aqr6lY/view?usp=share_link
  - ○ Informal social time with snack following the meeting

Upcoming Events:
- ☆ 10/25 PTO General Assembly
- ☆ 10/27 SpiritWear Distribution Day
- ☆ 10/27 Boosterthon DanceFit Challenge Launch Day (10 Day in School Event)
- ☆ 10/30 Fall Garden Clean-up
- ☆ 11/4 Boosterthon DanceFit Challenge Event Day
- ☆ 11/8 Election Day/Teacher Professional Learning Day/ No School
- ☆ 11/17 Give to the Max day
- ☆ 11/24 Thanksgiving Break/No School
- ☆ 11/25 Thanksgiving Break/No School
- ☆ 11/29 November PTO General Assembly Meeting, 6:30-7:30, RSI Media Center & online

2022-23 RSIS PTO Board Members Have questions or want to get involved?

Jessica Chapman & SueLynn Junkert as Co-Presidents
Toby Breuch & Tiffany Knudsen as Co-Vice Presidents
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Agenda - Reunión de la Asamblea General
25 de Octubre, 2022

La reunión se lleva a cabo en persona en la escuela (Biblioteca) y en línea a través de Zoom (https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88280637327).
Si está asistiendo en persona, registre en la hoja de papel. Si está asistiendo en línea, registre aquí.

Agenda:

- Bienvenido (SueLynn Junkert) - 2 minutos
- Introducciones (Mesa redonda: comparte su nombre, rol en la escuela/pto y/o nombre de estudiante y grado, y un momento favorito del año hasta ahora. ¿Cómo le gustaría relacionarse con la comunidad escolar?) - 15 minutos
- Introducción de Pasante #1 (Laura) - 5 minutos
- Noticias de los Directores (Ken Habel & Dr. Alejandra Estrada-Burt) - 10 minutos
- Informe del Tesorero (Morgan Wallace- Johnson) - 10 minutos
    - Solicitudes de Subvención y Voto
- Noticias de Programa/Recaudación de Fondos y Necesidades de Voluntarios - 10 minutos
    - Booster-thon (Tiffany/Jenny)
    - Spanish Junior Great Books (Toby)
    - Noche de Patinaje (Nicole o Tiffany)
    - Noticias de ISC/LAC (Toby/Jess)
    - Noche STEM (Jess)
    - La Noche Sin Niños (Mariah/Kristi)
    - Dia Give to the Max (Sarah)
    - Resultados de la feria del libros (SueLynn)
    - Próximas necesidades de voluntarios (SueLynn)
- Introducción de Pasante #2 (Kevin) - 5 minutos
- Preguntas Generales (Todos los asistentes) - el tiempo que queda hasta 7:30 pm

Eventos proximos:
- ☆ 10/25   Reunión de la Asamblea General PTO
- ☆ 10/27   Distribución de Pedidos de Spirit Wear
- ☆ 10/27   Dia de lanzamiento-Recaudación de fondos otoño DanceFit (Evento dura 10 días en la escuela)
- ☆ 10/30   Limpieza del jardín de otoño
- ☆ 11/4   Evento Culminante-Recaudación de fondos de otoño DanceFit
- ☆ 11/8   No hay escuela - Día de las Elecciones/Dia de Aprendizaje Profesional para Maestros/as
- ☆ 11/17   Dia Give to the Max
- ☆ 11/24   No hay escuela - Día de Acción de Gracias
- ☆ 11/25   No hay escuela - Día de Acción de Gracias
- ☆ 11/29   Reunión de la Asamblea General PTO, 6:30-7:30 pm, de 6:30 a 7:30 en la Biblioteca

2022-23 RSIS Miembros de la junta PTO ¿Tiene preguntas o quiere involucrarse?

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