

RAGSDALE HIGH SCHOOL PTSA BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 7, 2012

I. The **May 2012** meeting of the Ragsdale PTSA Board was called to order on Monday, May 7th at 6:30 PM by President Rebecca Scheffer.

In Attendance: Ana Atwater, Annette Bryant, Katharine Byerly, Mike Ellis, Joelle Fucini, Khem Irby, Virginia Kananui, Sara Lempp, Kelly Mantek, Donna McLamb, Carole Neale, Dr. Kathy Rogers and Rebecca Scheffer

II. Reading and Approval of Minutes: Mike Ellis distributed the minutes from the April 2, 2012 Board meeting for review. There were no additions or corrections. A motion was made by Donna McLamb and seconded by Dr. Kathy Rogers to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion was approved unanimously.

III. Treasurer's Report: Sara Lempp presented the Treasurer's Report for April 2012. (Attached). Highlights pointed out by Sara were income in the amount of \$1,874.61 for the Spring Furniture Market. Also, continue to receive donations to the We R Ragsdale campaign, this month reported \$1,581.00. Expenses for the month included \$534.88 for Enrichment Grants and \$556.56 for Extravaganza. The checkbook balance as of 5/7/2012 was \$22,882.44.

IV. Reports of Officers:

A. President Rebecca Scheffer: Rebecca shared information on the Toolbox for Lowe's Toolbox for Education Grant application. Should hear in Mid-May as to whether we are awarded this grant. The \$10,000 would be used to create a wellness 5-K trail on our campus. Discussed the Guilford County PTSA Awards which were held at Grimsley High School on May 3rd. Ragsdale was well represented at the meeting and won awards for Outstanding High School Administrator – Dr. Rogers, Outstanding Male Volunteer – Mike Ellis and Communicating Effectively Award– Sam Kananui for Website, David Drewery for Newsletter & Carole Kennedy/Donna McLamb for Jamestown News articles..

B. Vice President Ana Atwater: See below for Ana's report under Hospitality.

C. Principal's Report – Dr. Rogers: Dr. Rogers shared information on the ongoing construction and indicated that at this point everything is on schedule. She reviewed the fabric for chairs in the new Media Center. Thursday, August 23rd has been set as the date for the Open House and she is looking to set a date prior to that for a Community Open House. Dr. Rogers also went over dates for upcoming events at school (see Announcements / Dates below for details) She said that Report Cards will be mailed on June 14th and that teachers will have to be packed up for moving date of June 15th.

V. Reports of Committee Chairs

A. Awards – Lisa Cook / Adele McGugan: See information above under President's Report.

B. Newsletter – David Drewry: Ana received an e-mail from David that indicated he has received numerous submissions for the newsletter and will hope to have the newsletter ready next week. It will be placed on the PTSA website as soon as available.

- D. Hospitality – Ana Atwater / Annette Bryant:** The PTSA is planning to host the June 11th teacher celebration luncheon. PTSA will also host the reception for Senior Awards Night on May 29th. Volunteers are needed for both events.
- E. Enrichment Grants – Joelle Fucini:** Joelle will send a reminder to all teachers about submitting requests.
- F. Academic Incentives – Vickie Ebright / Angie Mangum:** No Report.
- G. Furniture Market – Carole Neale / Kelly Mantek:** Reported that the total income for the year will be \$6,539.61. The Fall Market Income was \$4,665. The \$1,874.61 reported in the Treasurer’s Report for April was for donations only and we will receive an additional \$1,265 for wages. We exceeded the budgeted amount for the year by over \$2,000.
- H. Extravaganza – Lisa Cook:** No Report. The Extravaganza is scheduled for June 1st and 2nd and the senior breakfast will be held at GTCC on June 7th.
- I. Beautification / Campus Enhancement – Katharine Byerly:** Presently awaiting final plans as to what Guilford County will do for landscaping as part of the renovations. A suggestion was made to involve coaches/teams help keep areas clean and to landscape. The suggestion of launching a “Tiger Pride” campaign was well received.
- J. Publicity – Donna McLamb:** The awards information was submitted to the Jamestown News. We have been getting great coverage for what is going on at Ragsdale.
- K. Teacher Appreciation – Virginia Kanakanui:** The recognition for Teachers has been going great. Teachers/Staff love the yellow hard-hats and the theme of “Building a Strong Foundation”.
- L. Business Partners – Annette Bryant:** Donations are up over \$500 from 2010 – 2011.
- M. We R Ragsdale – Ana Atwater:** Ana reported on the special fundraising and reported that we are currently over \$18,000 in donations. There was a discussion about amending the PTSA budget to include a higher donation to “We R Ragsdale” based on the higher than expected income for the year. We want to increase PTSA’s donation from \$3,000 to \$5,000. A motion was made and seconded to make this budget amendment. The vote was unanimous. (NOTE: see separate memo concerning the motion and vote that was conducted by e-mail in order for this to be presented at May 21st General PTSA meeting with additional budget amendment)
- N. Nominating Committee –** Committee was not present at the meeting but Rebecca reported that they have completed the slate of officers and it will be presented at the May 21st General PTSA meeting.

VI. Unfinished Business - None

- VII. New Business –** Rebecca discussed 8th Grade orientation will be held at Ragsdale on Wednesday, May 23rd and Thursday, May 24th in the AM. The 8th graders parents are also invited to the orientation and they will hold a meeting to meet with current Ragsdale parents for a question and answer session. Volunteers are needed to meet with the parents.

VIII. Announcements/Dates –

- Month of May is Teacher Appreciation Month
- Thursday, 5/17 – Senior Project speeches
- Monday, 5/21 @ 7:00 PM – LAST General PTSA Meeting / Spring Concert
- Wednesday, 5/23 and Thursday 5/24 @ 9:00 AM – Orientation for 8th Graders
- Monday, 5/28 – Memorial Day Holiday – No School
- Tuesday, 5/29 – Senior Awards Night
- Wednesday, 5/30 – Monday, 6/4 – Exams
- Monday, 6/4 @ 6:30 PM – PTSA Board Meeting @ Rebecca's House
- Thursday, 6/14 – Report Cards mailed

IX. Adjournment: President Rebecca Scheffer adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Mike Ellis
Secretary