

RAGSDALE HIGH SCHOOL PTSA BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2011

**I.** The **November 2011** meeting of the Ragsdale PTSA Board was called to order on Monday, November 7th at 6:30 PM by President Rebecca Scheffer.

**In Attendance:** Ana Atwater, Annette Bryant, Lisa Cook, Vickie Ebright, Mike Ellis, Sam Kananui, Virginia Kananui, Sara Lempp, Adele McGugan, Donna McLamb, Sue Morrison, Dr. Kathy Rogers, Kelley Schaefer, Rebecca Scheffer and Carolyn Stepp

**II. Reading and Approval of Minutes:** Mike Ellis distributed the minutes from the October 3, 2011 Board meeting for review. There were no additions or corrections. A motion was made by Adele McGugan and seconded by Donna McLamb to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion approved unanimously.

**III. Treasurer's Report:** Sara Lempp presented the Treasurer's Report for October. (see attached) The highlight of the report was the \$3,400 in total income from the volunteers who worked the Furniture Market. We budgeted \$4,500 for the Fall and Spring Furniture Market and already booked \$3,400 after the first Market. The major expenses for the month were for Membership Fees to the State and National PTA and for the Newsletter. The Checkbook balance at the end of the month was \$8,907.46.

**IV. Reports of Officers:**

**A. President Rebecca Scheffer:**

Discussed the Coffee with Dr. Rogers that was held at Perky's in Jamestown on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. The meeting was successful and was informative to those attending. Dr. Rogers shared information about the construction with drawings and photos. Plans are to hold similar events in the future.

College Application Week is scheduled at Ragsdale on November 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. This is an opportunity for Seniors to submit applications on-line to colleges with no fee. It will be held in the Computer Lab. PTSA will assist in completing applications and will provide door prizes.

Career Fair will be held at the Coliseum Special Event Center in November.

**B. Vice President Ana Atwater:** See below for reports from Ana.

**C. Principal Dr. Kathy Rogers:**

Discussed **Parent Assistant**, which is an on-line tool that enables parents to view detailed information about grades, attendance and daily test scores for their students. Dr. Rogers said that the enrollment in Parent Assistant is 48% which is very low. There will be a "push" in an attempt to increase enrollment.

Report Cards were issued today (November 7<sup>th</sup>)

Testing taking place with Sophomores taking the PLAN Test which is a precursor to the ACT while the Juniors will take the ACT.

School Construction and renovations are on schedule and they have now begun constructing vertical walls. Because of the construction, the Attendance Office will relocate to Room 18.

The School Calendar for next year will require students to be in school for 185 day (5 extra days). This is being mandated by the State and will cut into Staff days.

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**V. Reports of Committee Chairs**

- A. Membership – Kelley Schaefer:** Current membership is 340. Teacher / Staff membership is 100% as all teachers and staff are now members of the PTSA. We received the NC PTA Blue Key Membership Award as dues were submitted to the State by October 15<sup>th</sup>.
- B. Volunteer Coordinator –** Rebecca reminded everyone to e-mail their volunteer hours for October to Kelly Redfern.
- C. Newsletter –** No report but Rebecca indicated that the next Newsletter will be done in mid-January.
- D. Publicity –** No report. Need to submit pictures from Principals Coffee to Jamestown News.
- E. Hospitality – Ana Atwater / Annette Bryant:** Provided a “snack” to Teachers and Staff in October for Halloween. Dr. Rogers indicated the “mailbox treats” were very much appreciated. Will do another treat in November and December 12<sup>th</sup> will be the Teacher / Staff Holiday Party.
- F. Bulletin Boards – Ana for Amy Petifils:** Ana reported that all bulletin boards had been updated. If any committee has things for the boards, let Amy know.
- G. Web Page –Sam Kanakanui:** Sam indicated that the PTSA website was getting a lot of “views”. He will give us a report of exactly how many “hits” the site is getting. Sam’s company is Netways Solutions which is a Web Design and Search Engine Marketing company. If anyone has ideas for content or changes there is a link at bottom of web page for Webmaster which will send to Sam.
- H. Enrichment Grants –** Rebecca shared the grants that have been submitted and approved. \$2,438 in Grants have been approved.
- I. Reflections –** Rebecca reiterated that entries for Reflections are due on Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at the Front Office. The Theme is “Diversity is...”.
- J. Furniture Market – Kelly Mantek / Carole Neale:** Kelly and Carole were not in attendance but see information in Treasurer’s report about the very successful volunteer program at the Fall Furniture Market. The report indicated that \$3,400 was received for the work done at the Market.
- K. Awards:** No report but Rebecca mentioned that we did receive the Membership Award.
- L. Programs – Lisa Cook:** PTSA Volunteers are helping with the College Application nights. November is Healthy Lifestyles Month.
- M. Academic Incentives – Vickie Ebright:** Report Cards issued today. Waiting for the Honor Roll list.
- N. Teacher Appreciation – Sue Morrison:** Will be held in May. Currently involved in planning for the event.
- O. Business Partners – Annette Bryant:** Key Club assisted on a Saturday in October to get people to link their VIC cards to Ragsdale. Now up to 441 linked. Previously the highest number linked was 225.

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**VI. Unfinished Business**

**Extravaganza – Lisa Cook:** Lisa reported that every event for the Extravaganza is now chaired. They are in the process of raising money and getting volunteers. They will have an Outback Night as a fundraiser.

**VII. New Business –**

Rebecca took nominations from the floor for the **Nominating Committee**. Adele McGugan, Lisa Cook and Alicia Brown were nominated. Sue Morrison made a motion to approve the nominations for the Committee and Sam Kakanui seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously

Rebecca recognized the “Committee of the Month” which was the Furniture Market Volunteer Committee co-chaired by Kelly Mantek and Carole Neale. They did an outstanding job in recruiting volunteers to work at the Fall Furniture Market.

**VIII. Announcements/Dates –**

- \* Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> – December PTSA Board Meeting @ Box Seat at 6:30 PM
- \* Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM – General PTSA Meeting and Band Concert
- \* Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:40 AM – Coffee with the Principal @ Perky’s Cafe

**IX. Adjournment:** President Rebecca Scheffer adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Mike Ellis  
Secretary