

RAGSDALE HIGH SCHOOL PTSA BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2012

**I. The January 2012 meeting of the Ragsdale PTSA Board was called to order on Monday, January 10th at 6:30 PM by President Rebecca Scheffer.**

**In Attendance:** Ana Atwater, Annette Bryant, Katherine Byerly, Lisa Cook, Vickie Ebright, Cindy Ellis, Mike Ellis, Joelle Fucini, Virginia Kakanui, Sara Lempp, Donna McLamb, Kelly Redfern, Kelley Schaefer, Rebecca Scheffer, Jennifer Sparks and Joy Tice

**II. Reading and Approval of Minutes:** Mike Ellis distributed the minutes from the November 7, 2011 Board meeting for review. There were no additions or corrections. A motion was made by Donna McLamb and seconded by Kelly Redfern to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion was approved unanimously.

Minutes were also distributed for the December 12, 2011 PTSA General Meeting for review. There were no additions or corrections. A motion was made by Sara Lempp and seconded by Ana Atwater to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion was approved unanimously.

**III. Treasurer's Report:** Sara Lempp presented the Treasurer's Report for November and December 2011. (attached) Through December we have recorded \$6,158.70 in Income versus the annual budgeted amount of \$10,002. We have recorded \$4,529.50 in expenses versus the annual budgeted amount of \$10,599.00. The Checkbook balance as of January 10th was \$8,490.52.

**IV. Reports of Officers:**

**A. President Rebecca Scheffer:**

Advised that Denese Johnson is the new Assistant Principal and she will be located in the Center. Also, Arlisa Armond will be at Ragsdale working with the Administration as an Assistant Principal/Principal Fellow.

In Construction news, there will be some disruption in parking in the front of the building as some paving will go on there and between the football field and the present gym. Construction will begin in February with the hope of having the paving completed when students return from Spring Break.

Discussed the need to identify Grants that the PTSA could apply for in the coming months as a source of income. Need someone who can write the grants and handle the application process.

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

**C. Principal Dr. Kathy Rogers:** Dr. Rogers was unable to attend because of a prior commitment.

**V. Reports of Committee Chairs**

**A. Membership – Kelley Schaefer:** Current membership is 342. Ragsdale PTSA received the **Honor Roll Award** because the membership roster was sent in by December 15<sup>th</sup> and we had an increase in membership. Only four other schools received the Honor Roll Award. We also received the **Gold Award** because dues were sent in before January 15<sup>th</sup> and we had at least a 10% increase. We also received the **Ruby Award** for having 100% of our teachers as PTSA members.

**B. Beautification – Katharine Byerly & Joy Tice:** All of the plants that we had have been planted. Now waiting for Spring before doing any further work outside. Working on doing some beautification projects inside the building. Adding some items in Teachers' Lounge (i.e.; lamps, etc.)

- C. Volunteer Coordinator – Kelly Redfern:** Reported 175 volunteers working 1,052 hours in November and 100 volunteers working 730 hours for December.
- D. Newsletter** – No report but Rebecca indicated that the deadline for submitting articles for the next Newsletter is January 23rd.
- E. Publicity – Donna McLamb:** An article was submitted to the Jamestown News about Reflections.
- F. Hospitality – Ana Atwater / Annette Bryant:** February 15<sup>th</sup> is an Early Release day and will be serving snacks to Teachers and Staff. December Holiday Party was a huge hit.
- G. Web Page:** Sam was not at meeting but Virginia Kananui reported that there had been over 100 visitors to the PTSA website over the last month. 90% of the visitors came to the site from the Guilford County Schools website. Sam would like to see more pictures added and need to keep the calendar updated.
- H. Enrichment Grants – Joelle Fucini:** Discussed that out of a yearly budgeted amount of \$3,000 grants have already been submitted and approved for \$2,294. Talked about the possibility of amending the Budget to allow for more Grants to be awarded. The idea was tabled for future consideration.
- I. Reflections** – Rebecca reported for Mary Platek that five finalists were selected from Ragsdale and their work was sent on to the Guilford County competition. The finalists from Ragsdale were: In the Literature Category – Jasmine Beck; In the Film Production Category – David Goolsby; and in the Visual Arts Category – Jessica Askew, Lucy Kennedy and Tessa Platek. Congratulations have been extended to these finalists and certificates and gift certificates will be presented to them.
- J. Programs – Rebecca Scheffer:** Planning on an Internet Safety program in late February.
- K. Academic Incentives – Vickie Ebright:** Waiting on the next nine week grading period for the next Academic Incentives.
- L. Teacher Appreciation – Jennifer Sparks:** Will be held in May. Will put an article in the next Newsletter.
- M. Business Partners – Annette Bryant:** 441 participants in the Harris Teeter program. Presently reviewing Domino’s Cards. Also provided the number to link to Office Depot for their 5% back on “school purchases” (70061575)

**VI. Unfinished Business - None**

**VII. New Business –**

The next newsletter due date for articles is January 23, 2012.

**VIII. Announcements/Dates –**

- \* Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup> – February PTSA Board Meeting at 6:30 PM in the Media Center
- \* Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> - Early Release Day for students. Snacks for Teachers and Staff
- \* Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 PM – Open House & Walk the Schedule
- \* Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> – Ragsdale Athletic Booster Club Reverse Raffle

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

Respectfully Submitted By:

Mike Ellis  
Secretary