

RPO

Rogers
Elementary
School
PTO

The mission of the Rogers Elementary School PTO is to promote the welfare and education of our children, to raise the standards of home and school life by providing activities for our staff, our students, and their families, and to instill school pride and unite the home and school.

MEETING AGENDA

May 15, 2018

7:00-8:00PM

Rogers Elementary School Library
7700 Fine Road, St. Louis, MO

- I. Introduction and Welcome
- II. Committee Reports
 - A. Trivia – largest crowd to date, \$18,000 profit, still waiting for the invoice from Andres, looking for another venue because we have outgrown the space. Incoming chair Jessica North, recognized Julie Paur and Amy Henry for their hard work
 - B. Treasurer – New Treasure Erin, \$43,000 (possibly a little more) still have to pay for picnic and Andres from Trivia, and collect a few more checks from Trivia, will be switching bank accounts this summer to get a better interest rate.
- III. New Business – Dr. Keenoy talked about what they look for in a student of the month and how they are picked by grade level teachers.
 - A. Student of the month (February)
 - 1. 2nd - Trent Sturk
 - B. Student of the month (March)
 - 1. Kdg – Rosie Schmidt
 - 2. 1st - Maggie Bohrmann
 - 3. 2nd - Cooper Hopson
 - 4. 3rd - Colin North
 - 5. 4th - John Schmaltz
 - 6. 5th - Logan Hartsell
 - C. Student of the month (April)
 - 1. Kdg - Carson Backer
 - 2. 1st - Ava Baldwin
 - 3. 2nd - Cael Zubert
 - 4. 3rd - Kiley Johnson
 - 5. 4th - Sidney Townsley
 - 6. 5th - Theo Long
 - D. Julie Paur – talked about the sheets handed out. Volunteer opportunities and what RPO is about and what we do
 - E. Guest Speaker
 - 1. Dr. Gaines, Superintendent – Powerpoint showing results from the facilities survey sent out a few months ago. 2100 people participated, mostly parents and staff
 - a) Main issues
 - (1) Temp Control
 - (2) Upgrade restrooms and fixtures
 - (3) Parking
 - (4) Safety/Security

- b) Niblets of info of what the district has done so far.
 - (1) As of Jan we are now 1:1 in middle school making the district 1:1 for 6-12
 - (2) Investments in facilities went up \$1.75 million with Prop R
 - (3) Investments in facilities went up \$664k with Prop A
 - (4) Keyless entry locks at all buildings were installed summer 2017
 - (5) Asphalt maintenance is happening across district
 - (6) Schedule for furniture building rotation
 - (7) Project dates can move
 - (8) Last large ballot issue strictly for facilities was 2000
 - (a) Looking to use rebates to help offset cost
- c) Biggest issues from district survey results
 - (1) Parking
 - (a) Looking at morning and afternoon- how much is needed at those times
 - (b) Staff and visitor parking
 - (c) Asphalt maintenance
 - (d) Event parking – only 10-12 events/days a year. Is it worth the investment?
 - (2) Enrollment
 - (a) Going down and has been – declining enrollment of elementary schools and a bubble of middle and high schools
- d) Biggest issues from Rogers survey results
 - (1) Parking
 - (2) Playground fence
 - (3) Restrooms
 - (4) Security
- e) Other needs around the district
 - (1) C/O issues – windows, HVAC and additional space to house all functions
 - (2) Witzel – tuck-pointing, HVAC, Plumbing
 - (3) Transportation – New offices with restrooms, Additional bay to work on buses, Replace fence
 - (4) Pool – pump room concrete ceiling, rusting structures, tile replacement, handicap stairs into pool, shake dryers
 - (5) Jefferson Barracks – HVAC, renovate upstairs, handicap access, asbestos
- f) More projects than funds – due to lack of investments, current funding levels allow us to hold steady but not catch up.
- g) Plan–adjust timing and dollars as new info becomes available, review and adjust internally each quarter, project management
- h) Multi calls for funding – facilities, salary freezes and uncompetitive salary, program changes and expansion
- i) Moving forward–balance across the system, fiscal responsible, financial stable
- j) Bond/Levy for operations/capital
- k) Determine timeline for engagement and project selection for tax transfer during the 2020-2021 school year.

- I) Looking for 2 parents and 2 staff members to form a committee to help move the tax rate in Aug 2020.
- F. Julie Paur – rewriting bylaws and survey - volunteers
- G. An Update from Dr. Keenoy – Recognized Mahacek for her work this year and Julie McNamara is taking over for next year. Thanked Jen Corp for all of her hard work for the school and the RPO.
- H. Closing