

The Ranches Academy FSO Executive Board Committee Meeting

November 5, 2015

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- I. **Call to order**
- II. **Roll Call:** Natalie Erickson, Susie Scherer, Liz Stone, Kris Ewert, Nicole Murbach, Dani Cousin, Crystal Spencer, Sandy Richins, Leann Bateman, Debi Morris
- III. **Review of Agenda**
- IV. **Approval of September 30, 2015 Minutes:** Passes unanimously
- V. **Executive Committee Business**
 - a. *Calendar:* Approval given to move the geography bee from March 12, 2016 to March 10, 2016. Inspirations are due tomorrow; first awards will be on November 19th, 2015. Veterans day/assembly is coming up on November 11th, 2015.
 - b. *Budget Update:* Kristy Stoner still needs to turn in her receipts for the scarecrow festival. No money was spent for Fire Safety Week so we have \$100 to allocate. Angela Waite has only received one check from the school for Red Ribbon Week. We will check and make sure the money gets back to her. The budget has Jazz Reading and the AR parties combined. We need to decide how much money goes to each. Last year \$1,200 was spent for Jazz reading but AR needs at least \$500, preferably more. We will give the AR parties the unused \$100 from Fire Safety Week and the \$37.60 unused from Constitution Day. We will wait to see what the scarecrow festival winnings are and then decide where that money or gift card will be spent as well.
- VI. **Committee Reports**
 - a. *Student of the Month:* Be sure only the child's first name and last initial are present on any e-mails or listings. Only problem we have had so far is getting the names from the teachers. All teachers can be e-mailed at the same time by using teachers@theranchesacademy.com to find out the names for a particular month. Everything went well at the last lunch but many of the kids were sick. Cheryl Stoner has everything under control for the awards.
 - b. *AR Party:* Everything is just about ready for the parties. The first one is scheduled for Thursday November 19th. First and second grades will party from 12:00-1:00 and 3rd through 6th grades will party from 1:15-2:35. The theme for this party is Rockstar. Any child who meets the goal will receive a dress day voucher to dress like a rockstar. There will be 4 stations for the students to rotate through at 15 minutes each. The first will be a snack room where banana splits will be served (special precautions will be taken for those students with allergies and food intolerances). The other stations will be a Just Dance room, a Rockband room, and musical chairs. Unsure which rooms will be available for use yet. Dani would also like to do a pizza party to help the older classes get more excited and involved in the program. We will try to get pizza donated from either Pizza Hut or Domino's Pizza. Will also take pictures of the students or classes that meet the goals for an AR Hall of Fame.
 - c. *Spelling Bee:* The class Spelling Bee will be held on December 16th, 2015. Crystal

already has a small list of volunteers but she will create a sign-up genius for the rest. We will need volunteers to help out in each class. They will need to show up around 12:30 for a quick orientation and then will start around 1:00. The school Spelling Bee will be held on January 8th. Susie Scherer will read off the words and Crystal Spencer and Kris Ewert will be the judges. A list of the words to practice will be e-mailed out to every family. Crystal will come up with prizes for the school Spelling Bee. It typically consists of medals or trophies for the top 10 and gift cards. The budget for the prizes is \$100.00.

- d. *Science Fair*: Wendy was unable to attend the meeting. Natalie will follow up with her to find out any updates.
- e. *Veteran's Day/Assembly*: Everything is planned out. There are several different military groups coming in to discuss what they like about it and why they joined. We will have the kids color pictures or sign cards to thank them for their time to come speak to our school.
- f. *Inspirations*: Gen was unable to come, but has checked in and said everything is ready to go. The first awards will be held November 19th. Judges will be found from outside of the school. She will give the students a small prize tomorrow when they turn in their submissions.
- g. *School Play*: Everything is going very well for the play. The Production dates will be March 17, 18, 19, 21, 22, and 23 at 7:00 pm. We only need help with volunteers with the sets and wood working. An e-mail will be sent out to try to find someone to help with that. The talent show is March 24th so the set from the play will likely be up for that as well. No students were cut so half of the show has been double cast. The price per ticket has been raised from \$2 to \$3. The shows are longer and there will be an intermission this year. The budget is looking fantastic so far. There will be no money lost. We are hoping to maybe even purchase some stage lighting for the school for next year. Two spotlights on Amazon would be about \$250.00 each. We would also like to get a full lighting package paid for by using GoFundMe.
- h. *Other Business*: None

VII. Adjournment