

The Ranches Academy FSO Executive Board Committee Meeting
January 4th, 2017

- I. **Call to order:** Kris Ewert called meeting to order.
- II. **Roll Call:** Kris Ewert, Summer Montgomery, Shellece Gruber, Heather Thomas, Debi Morris
- III. **Review of Agenda:**
- IV. **Approval of November 30th, 2016 Minutes:** Summer motioned to approve minutes and Heather Thomas second. Passes unanimously.
- V. **Executive Committee Business**
 - a. **Calendar:**
 - 01/09/2017 & 01/30/2017: Student of the Month: The January student of the month is happening a week later than usual to give teachers time to decide which student has earned it for this month. February's student of the month will occur on January 30th.
 - 01/27/2017: Daddy Donuts Day: Will be at 7:30 am.
 - 01/31/2017: Science Fair: Changed from 02/07/2017.
 - 03/14/2017: Geography Bee: Changed to March 14th.
 - 03/27/2017-03/31/2017: Teacher Appreciation: No changes to calendar.
 - b. **Treasurer Report:** Shellece will be moving so a new treasurer will be needed to finish out the school year. Heather Thomas will put it in the newsletter to try to recruit someone. Shellece has already updated the budget changes from our last meeting. Everything is up to date.
 - c. **Review of Completed Committee Reports:**
 - AR Party (Dani Cousin): The kids seemed to really enjoy the party. Still waiting on the Committee Report Form.
 - Class Spelling Bee (Kristy Stoner): Went well. We still need to send out the new practice spelling words list to the winners from the class spelling bee so they can prepare for them the school spelling bee. The top 2 winners from the school bee will go onto regionals. Still waiting on the Committee Report Form.
- VI. **Officer or Committee Reports**
 - a. **Student of the Month (Elizabeth Lloyd & Cheryl Stoner):** Everything is ready for January 9th. The students will be awarded and lunch will be on the same day.
 - b. **Daddy Donuts Day (Cindy Blair):** Smith's is donating the donuts and maybe some fruit. A sign-up genius will be created for parents to bring water bottles just in case Smiths can't donate those as well. Summer Montgomery will bring all the napkins. It will begin at 7:30 in the morning. We will come up with an idea to help kick off the kindergarten reading program and battle of the books at this time as well.
 - c. **January Inspirations (Camille Campbell):** Update to come.
 - d. **Reading Program Kick offs:**
 - i. **Battle of the Books - January/February (Corissa Hanson):** Sally Blaser discussed buying a button maker and having parent volunteers help make the buttons. The kids are able to start earning them now so we need to get that figured out. We need to discuss with Susie Scherer to see if the students are allowed to wear their lanyards in class. Everything else for the program is about done.
 - ii. **Kindergarten-2nd Reading Contest Program:** The program will start on Friday January 27th during the Daddy & Donuts. It will be a lot like Jazz reading but will only include K-2nd grades.
 - ✓ The students will receive reading slips every week for them to log the number of minutes spent reading during the week. The slips will be due every Friday. Every Monday, there will be 5 winners from each class with the most minutes read. Those kids will receive a prize. Anyone who turns in a reading slip will be put into a drawing where 5 names will be drawn every Monday to receive a smaller prize.

- ✓ The teachers will also be allowed to choose 1-3 students from their own classes who have shown the most improvement with their reading minutes. They will also win a weekly prize.
- ✓ The grades will compete in a weekly challenge against the other classes for the most combined minutes. The class that wins each week with either receives a certificate for a free dress day or extra PE time.
- ✓ We have set a combined goal of 15,000 minutes for those three grades. If they meet the goal, they either get an ice cream party or an assembly for the whole school. Kris Ewert and Summer Montgomery will look into an assembly possibilities.
- ✓ The top 2 students with the most reading minutes during the entire program will each receive a wiggle car.

We will ask Camille Campbell to make a goal meter to hang in the hall so the kids can see how close there are to their combined minutes goal. Elizabeth Floyd has volunteered to help log the minutes read, make copies of the reading slips, and help hand them out. We already have a large list of prizes in stock but Summer will pick up a few more.

- b. Science Fair (Corbett Douglas): We have the flyers from last year that we can use to hand out to the kids. It is mandatory for 4th and 5th grades. 4th graders are doing class projects while 5th graders need to come up with their own. All grades are allowed to participate.
- II. Adjournment: The next FSO meeting will be held on February 1st. Debi Morris motioned to adjourn meeting, Kris Ewert second.