

The Ranches Academy FSO Executive Board Committee Meeting

September 30, 2015

- I. **Call to order**
- II. **Roll Call:** Natalie Erickson, Susie Scherer, Liz Stone, Kris Ewert, Kammi Pyles, Angela Waite, Kristy Stoner, Sandy Richins, Debi Morris
- III. **Review of Agenda**
- IV. **Approval of September 3, 2015 Minutes:** Passes unanimously
- V. **Executive Committee Business**
 - a. *Calendar:* The book fair will be held the week of October 26th. Inspirations will be the first week in November.
 - b. *Budget Update:* We allocated \$50.00 from the General Office Budget for the bulletin board budget, which previously did not have any money. Kammi Pyles said it should only cost her about \$20.00. Most of the supplies for the bulletin can be found in the break room. The check for the Classic Skating night has already been sent in. Waiting to find the previously submitted receipts so reimbursements can be distributed.
 - c. *FSO Bylaws:* None
 - d. *Vice President:* We have finally found our Vice President for the school year. We would all like to thank Kris Ewert for volunteering.
- VI. **Committee Reports**
 - a. *RADD Kids:* Shalise Gruber attended the meeting for RADD Kids. She said they are trying to promote the program among the schools and want the FSO's to encourage volunteering. The Ranches Academy is already well promoted. They would still like to come in and speak with all the parents about the program to recruit more volunteers. Susie Scherer will send out any information RADD Kids provides us with to the parents of our school. More information about the program will be provided in the newsletter.
 - b. *Inspirations:* The check for the program has already been submitted (not coming out of FSO budget). All submissions are due by November 6th. Awards Night for our school will be held on November 19th at 6:00 pm. The Regional Awards Night will be held on March 11th and the State Awards Night will be held on April 22nd. Information about what Inspirations is about will be sent out in the next newsletter.
 - c. *Red Ribbon Week:* So far we have the following activities: On Monday the kids will make a pledge and sign or trace their hand on a banner to be drug free. On Tuesday the students will be given a Red Ribbon Week pencil (\$55 of the budget) that they can use to draw pictures/do writing assignments which can be hung up around the school. On Wednesday at 10:00 am, Deputy Molder will come and do the drug dog and dog biting assembly (hopefully can be done outside where the dog can get better traction, weather pending). Thursday will be wear the most red day (Susie will try to reschedule picture retakes from Thursday to Wednesday). The class with the most red on can receive prizes. Angie already purchased some red glow stick bracelets to go with the saying, "My future is bright because I am drug free." We will have 400 balloons, curling ribbon,

and helium tanks ready for Thursday's balloon release. A Sign-Up Genius will be created soon for volunteers to help with the balloon preparations.

- d. *Student of the Month:* Leanne Bateman was not able to come to the meeting today, but Student of the Month is on Monday. The teachers have already been notified, staff will be reminded again today. There are supplies in the cabinet and Cheryl Stoner already knows about the awards. Natalie will check up with Leanne again to make sure everything will be ready. Kammi Pyles would also like the names soon so she can post their first name and last name initial on the bulletin.
- e. *Fire Safety Week:* Lauren Andrews checked again and the fire department is already booked. Susie will check with one of the deputies to see if she can get them to squeeze us in. The fire stations in the Ranches offer free tours, stickers, and coloring books to anyone who stops by during the week.
- f. *Parent Teacher Conferences:* All the food and volunteers have already been assigned out. May still need some plates/utensils, but other than that everything is ready to go.
- g. *Scarecrow Festival:* Last year the student council helped come up with the theme for our schools scarecrow. Jennifer Payne is head of the student council, so Kristy Stoner will speak to her about discussing this year's theme. Another idea is to have Kristy come up with 3 ideas and the school can vote on the one they like the best. The budget is \$50, but a Sign-Up Genius can be created for all other supplies needed. There is also a local pumpkin patch on Saddle Back Road who is likely to donate/trade for donations. Volunteers will be needed to help with set up, take down, and 30 minute shifts during voting to protect the scarecrow. Those around during voting can even ask patrons to vote (many families don't know about the voting). Food donations will be awarded with extra voting tickets.
- h. *Book Fair:* Will be held the week of October 26th. Someone from Scholastic will come to bring the supplies but we will need volunteers to help set up. We already have the banners; the dates will just need to be changed on them. Will also be creating a Sign-Up Genius for the 2 hour shifts.
- i. *AR Party:* There is no specific date yet, but it should be towards the end of November. We really need to get the word out about what it is and how to be involved. Liz Stone will post about it in the newsletter.
- j. *Other Business:* If any department heads are in need of prize ideas, we have some. There are a lot of vouchers left over from our Classic Skating Night. We are also getting more coupons from local businesses. Susie will be helping to create an easier way to view the volunteer opportunities at the school on the website. There will be links to the different Sign-Up Genius volunteer openings in one place. Will also be posting on the bulletin board any upcoming opportunities.

VII. Adjournment