

## Rogers New Tech High PTO Minutes November 10, 2015

- Call to Order
- Financial Reports – Rhonda
  - Reviewed & Approved
    - Waiting on check from Food Trucks
    - T-shirts in stock
- New Business
  - PTO purchase of Senior Ad for Yearbook (yearly)
    - Proposed and accepted unanimously – Rhonda & Dana
  - Junior/Senior Prom – Bazyk
    - Locations being explored – possibly John Q Hammons or Embassy Suites
    - Fundraisers TBA
    - Committee formed
    - Parent Volunteers will be needed
    - April 30<sup>th</sup> potential date
    - Possible Lip Sync Talent show – Staff vs Students
  - Potential New Fundraiser - Jenny
    - ishopLaRue.com
    - Boutique setup & sell products at school
    - Possibly attach to a Movie Night or PT Conference
- Old Business
  - Chess Tournament –
    - Saturday, November 21 9:00 – 3:30 ish
    - \$5 entrance fee
    - Schools contacted
    - REACH Teachers usually run Chess Clubs
    - Hoping for 30-60 player attendance
    - Proposed that Jr/Sr prom committee consider offering concessions for fundraising
  - Graduation Celebration – May 17
    - Grad Celebration @ Modern Mission in Fayetteville 11:00 – 1:00 ish
    - Right after Graduation practice, board bus and go to Modern Mission
    - Crumpet Tea Room Pie Fundraiser orders due Friday, 11/13
    - Barnes & Noble Gift Wrap Fundraiser – Friday 12/19 & Saturday 12/20
    - Possible Student Art Show during PT Conference
    - Fundango Cards
      - List of potential restaurants
  - Zombie Run
    - Postponed until further notice
  - Staff Appreciation
    - November & December
    - Ideas- sweets, KKups....for approx 30
      - Tara Vaughn donation of small lotions
- Committee Reports
  - Spirit Nights – Jenny
  - Volunteer Committee: Log all volunteer hours for anytime spent helping the school (copies, baking, attending meetings....)
    - Reminder to log hours
  - Fundraising – April
    - Movie Night – Friday, November 13
      - Sign-up Genius to volunteer
      - Movies decided
      - 6:00 – 9:30pm

- Director's Report: Dr. Arbuckle/Mrs. Scheiderer
  - Parent Teacher Conference Update
    - 60% attendance = good for High School
  - RNTH Potential Enrollment Increase Proposal
    - Little Rock Charter Increase from 600 to 900 total allowed enrollment
    - Request made because of continued interest in all previous 9<sup>th</sup> grade enrollment
    - Deborah Jones said RNTH is a model charter school – KUDOS RNTH!!!
    - Intend to continue to graduate 150. Mathematically need about 220 Freshmen each year with predictable 85% enrolled to remain till graduation.
    - Expecting 685 total enrollment for next school year
    - Still no plans to accept new Juniors or Seniors
  - Reviewing overall School grades per Class at all 3 RPS High Schools
    - RNTH = 4% Failure rate – Good for a high school, but RNTH wants to reduce to 3%
    - RNTH = 96% Pass rate, RHS & HHS = 94% pass rate
    - New Mandatory Tutoring program Wednesdays
      - Any student with 63% or lower in any class
      - 4 times before end of semester
      - Mostly Algebra II, which is statistically one of the harder HS courses
  - Trust Card Celebrations
    - Student Advisory Groups
    - Incentive – off campus lunch Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> – Permission Slips required
    - Trust Card Ceremony November 20
  - AR Master Principals Institute
    - Increase in High School Stake Holders
    - Committees/Feedback = Involvement
    - Adults and Students
- Adjourned
- Dates to Remember:
  - Senior Celebration Fundraiser Pie Orders Due Friday, November 13
  - Movie Night – Friday, November 13 from 6:00 – 9:30 pm
  - National Honor Society Induction – Monday, November 16 from 6:00 – 7:30 pm
  - Chess Tournament – Saturday, November 21 9:00 am – 3:30 pm
  - Fundraiser Pie Order Deliveries – November 24th
  - Rogers Christmas Parade- December 4
  - RNTH Robotics team to Mountain Home Competition December 4 & 5
  - PTO Meeting December 8 @ 4:00 pm @ RNTH