

**RC Hinsdale PTA
April 18, 2018
MEETING MINUTES**

Present: PTA President Jared Powers, Secretary Amie Wells, Fundraising Amanda Ward, Principal Dr. Castleman, and Asst. Principal Mr. Fangman. Various teachers and others in attendance for the Patriot of the Month Awards and the PTA Meeting.

1. **Call to Order:** PTA President Jared Powers called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the gymnasium of R.C. Hinsdale Elementary School on April 18, 2018. Mr. Powers welcomed all those in attendance. Mr. Powers stated that we are in the middle of Staff Appreciation week and wanted to thank the teachers on behalf of the PTA for all that they do.
2. **Guest Speaker:** Mr. Powers announced that Kenton County Superintendent Dr. Webb was supposed to be the guest speaker for the evening but since the April PTA Meeting was rescheduled from the original date Dr. Webb was unable to attend because he is out of town.
3. **Patriot of the Month Awards:** Dr. Castleman presented the Patriot of the Month Awards for April.

Teacher	Student	Student
Mrs. Walter		
Ms. Talbert	Finn Bauerle	Loryn Good Finn Richardson
Mrs. Cook	Mia Gentry	Abel Melton
Mrs. Jeffries	Aiden Piasecki	Lena Gonzalez
Mrs. Smith	Braden McQuinlin	Carson Herald
Mrs. Cooper	Sam Duvall	Emily Schnug
Mrs. Patterson	Sonny Bryant	Grant Buckshire
Mrs. Steinbrunner	*****	

Mrs. Cottengim	Ellington Eads	
Mrs. Stainforth	Payton Guenther	Daniel Schloemer
Mrs. Metzger	Kosta Betas	Claire Mclain
Mrs. Granger	*****	
Mrs. Cox	*****	
Mrs. Kiefer	*****	
Mrs. Watkins	Max Groendyke	
Mrs. Nichols	Bayleigh Brown	Emma Mergard
Mrs. Kuhlman	Ian Hawkes	Kya Jones
Mrs. McQuerry		
Mrs. King	Cooper Benton	Katelynn Overholser
Ms. Brown	Matthew Farrell	Brye Hussey
Mrs. Howell	Colin McClure	Madelyn Burnside
Mrs. Bogard	*****	
Mrs. King	*****	

Mrs. Gibbons	*****	
Mr. Horine	*****	

4. **How do I stay informed/Next Meeting:** The next Meeting of the PTA will be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.
 - Facebook Page (RC Hinsdale PTA) - Like and share posts
 - Email blasts from Hinsdale
 - Twitter
 - Join Remind 101: Text the following: @rchpta to 81010 for PTA Updates and information
 - Come to the PTA Meetings

5. **Approval of the Minutes:** Mr. Powers called for questions or corrections to the March 13, 2018, Minutes. **Upon motion of Beth King, second by Julie Watkins that the R.C. Hinsdale PTA Minutes be approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

6. **Approval of the Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Natalie Linstruth was not present at the meeting. Mr. Powers went over the report and asked for questions from those in attendance. There were no questions. **Upon motion of Amanda Ward, second by Ms. Jackson that the Treasurer's report be approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**

7. **Dr. Castleman's Corner:** Dr. Castleman commented on Staff Appreciation week asking for those in attendance to give the staff a big round of applause. She added that the week has been amazing so far and the teachers have needed this week now more than ever and they all could not be more thankful.

Dr. Castleman reported that construction has begun on the secure entrance and will continue throughout the summer into November with move in over winter break. She added that they have been diligent in receiving feedback from last month's PTA meeting. Everyone has been very cooperative with the changes that have taken place.

K-Prep testing for 3-5th grades will be held May 16 - May 23rd. School will be closed on May 22nd.

8. **Committee Reports:**
 - **Spring Carnival** Jackie Schlotterbeck was not present at the meeting. Mr. Powers reported that the Carnival went well and we are significantly ahead of budget.
 - **Mother/Son** Amanda Marcus reported that fliers for the Mother/Son event went out, the DJ and photo booth are booked. She asked if spirit wear could have a table at the event. Ms. Bunnell stated that if she could find someone to work the spirit wear booth she would be able to have it there. Amanda asked if Coldstone Creamery could be there. Mr. Powers suggested that she ask Jackie Schlotterbeck for her contact name at Coldstone.
 - **Staff Appreciation** There was no report as Staff Appreciation week is going very well. Tomorrow pizza will be provided and on Friday there will be breakfast and Behle Street for lunch.

- **Morning with Mom** Lisa Proffitt was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Powers reported that Morning with Mom will be held on April 25th. A sign up genius went out and volunteers are still needed.
- **Restaurant Nights** Renee Collins was not in attendance. Mr. Powers reported that on April 30th there will be a Chipotle Night.

9. **Old Business:**

- **Curriculum Enhancements** Mr. Powers reported that the Curriculum Enhancement document is ready for review. He stated that he would distribute the document to the faculty.
- **PTA vs. PTO** Mr. Powers stated that at the last meeting the PTA discussed the idea of switching from a PTA to a PTO. Mr. Powers, Ms. Ward, and Ms. Strah met with the Longbranch Elementary School PTO President. It was discovered that when Longbranch decided to switch to a PTO they were having problems getting volunteers. Mr. Powers stated that at this time the PTA will not pursue switching to a PTO, but would continue to gain information on the issue just in case it is needed.

10. **New Business:** Mr. Powers reported that the Executive Board met recently and discussed the PTA's reserve funds which total between \$25,000-28,000, and how those funds could be used. The teacher's first aid kits will be upgraded and training will be needed to use the kits. The kits are not for basic first aid and are meant to be used in an active shooter situation. The smart boards are going to be upgraded to interactive televisions 2-3 per grade level. There was also a question of what the PTA does when a teacher retires. Mr. Powers added that a criteria will be drafted and the PTA will decide how far to go back for those who have already retired. A large plaque will be purchased and the retirees names will be listed. At the last PTA Meeting it was suggested that a Safety Committee should be formed. Mr. Powers noted that there will not be a lot of details shared with regard to safety plans for security purposes. Kristen Berkshire agreed to serve as chair and Jenny Bunnell volunteered to be a member of the committee. Mr. Powers and Mr. Fangman will be members if the committee also. Mr. Chevalier has asked for \$70.00 for continuing education. Mr. Powers reminded that teachers can receive up to \$200.00 per year towards continuing education. Mr. Chevalier received a request earlier this year. **Upon motion of Amanda Ward, second by Beth King that \$70.00 be granted to Mr. Chevalier for continuing education. Motion carried unanimously.** In conjunction with K-Prep testing the band Brother Smith will be at Hinsdale on May 14th to get the kids excited for their testing. **Upon motion of Ms. Nichols, second by Ms. Brown that the PTA grant \$300.00 and a \$50.00 gift card to a local restaurant for the members of Brother Smith. Motion carried unanimously.**

11. **Adjournment:** Upon motion of Amanda Ward, second by Ms. Jeffries that the meeting be adjourned.

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