**TRE PTSA October 2022 Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, October 13, 2022**

**7:00 – 8:00 PM**

**Zoom Meeting**

**Meeting Attendance**: Colleen Emmons, Lance Riegert, Gina Brown, Victoria Riegert, Tharaha Thavakumar-Slavin, Sadie Szrama, Lance Riegert, Andrea Tru, Sarah Morrissette, Lindsay Reitz, Elizabeth Wenger, Michele Ricks, Todd Fleming

Meeting Called to Order at 7:08

Meeting Norms Read

* Listen for understanding
* Respect and embrace the unique individual experiences, values, and perspectives of those present
* Be mindful of language and how it may impact others
* Pause for reflection before responding
* Participate for the good of the group
* Maintain a student first perspective in questions, comments, or suggestions

Introductions for those present in person and online

Established a Quorum of 6

TRE Building Chair Update – Colleen Emmons

* Indoor Recess Project – Two TRE parents will be leading a project to provide developmentally appropriate supplies for indoor recess time. We will be using funds from Gifts to School. Mr. Foote is in full support of the changes. Discussion for ways to sustain supplies (Super Sale/Buy Nothing groups)
* Parents on the Playground – TRE needs parent volunteers to attend recess. The school is spending a significant amount of time trying to staff lunch and recess daily. Paid positions are available, but this is a consistent volunteer position. PTSA is looking for one person to chair Parents on the Playground. District training and support is available for the position.
* Spirit Wear – TRE will be switching to an out of state company that can provide a variety of items. It will be an online store; one large sale this fall with a six week turn around and one small sale in March. We are looking for suggestions for specific items desired. The online shop will be open in the coming weeks with items arriving in early December.
* Student Council – PTSA/Student Council partnership is so important. Jessica Izzo and Eucelia Hill will be Student Council advisers. They will begin in November. PTSA is looking forward to working with them.
* New Family Gatherings – As per request, PTSA would like to find a way to check in with new families and Urban/Suburban families. A breakfast with community building is done at the high school level. Colleen is hoping to plan a similar event for our new/Urban Suburban families here. Ideas are welcome.
* ASE Science Program Request - Two MHS students have reached out showing interest in doing a science enrichment with our kids. Mr. Foote and PTSA would like to encourage the collaboration and support the student initiative. One volunteer will be needed to coordinate the program and work with MHS students. The preference would be to utilize parent and local resources first. Discussion on how to support these students. RMSC and Snapology are possible ideas as well. PTSA is asking for any ideas, or anyone interested to let us know for a Winter ASE start.
* Pittsford Homecoming – Pittsford Homecoming parade is Saturday at 9:00 AM in the Village. It is a fun family event to attend!

District PTSA Updates – Colleen Emmons

* Ah hoc committee will move forward with organizational review
* Bylaws will remain as is

Budget Discussion and Vote – Colleen Emmons

* Reviewed budget highlights
* Motion to approve budget (Colleen), Andrea (second)
* Budget approved

Membership Update – Tharaha

* TRE membership is at 157, only three away from our original goal of 160. (7th place in the district)
* We have a new goal of 200!
* Hoping to increase teacher participation

PTSA In Action – Colleen Emmons

* Teacher lunch “Sushi and Salads” on 9/30 was greatly appreciated
* Teacher Appreciation committee is planning three more announced events. Less formal needs for coffee or teacher room supplies will be announced as needed throughout the year.

Committee Reports

* Enrichment - Finding parent volunteers is the biggest challenge for enrichment. The winter catalogue is being set up now. Contact Vicky with any interest or ideas. Andrea will follow up with Drama Club.
* Book Fair coming up October 24th – October 27th. A few shifts still need to be filled, but Becca thinks she will be able to fill them.
* Yearbook and Directory – Yearbook is working on the cover contest. PTSA would like to send out a paper sign up for directory.
* DEI – District book club coming up on 10/23 at 2PM in Fisher Room at Pittsford Rec. Center. All are welcome to attend
* E-News – Mr. Foote has included an update. Moving forward, we will continue to see updates from Colleen and many other departments in TRE (for example Art, PE, OT/PT, Counseling Services, etc…)

Review of upcoming events – Colleen Emmons

* Next PTSA Meeting is Tuesday, November 15th at 10:00 AM, TRE Room 203
* Parent Education will be a district wide event with a doctor from UR.
* Shana and Stephanie will share PAC presentation for SEL

Wrap Up Discussion Question – What does PTSA do well? What can we work on?

* A parent survey is needed to know what parents need from PTSA
* Evening meetings are beneficial
* Meetings offer a place for parent voice

Meeting Adjourned at 8:15