

Richey PTO General Meeting Minutes
February 20, 2024 - 6:30 pm
Richey Cafeteria & Zoom
43 attendees
29 in person
14 via zoom

President Welcome

PTO Community Partners

- Thank you APEX, Freibott, Michael Wilson Real Estate Team, and Lisa Broadbent Insurance Company!

Fundraiser Update

- Minted \$155-*discount code still works*
- *Still doing Box Tops*

Treasurer's Report

Current ending balance \$4249.57

We will be doing a joint event with the school during school hours

Principal Update

- *SMORE*
- *Referendum-Vote 2/28/24-closest polling place-Richardson Park Elementary and Stanton Middle School*
- *Monthly buddy meet-up*
- *Crazy hair day*
- *Career day for 3-5 grades*
- *iReady*
 - *Reading 22% in the winter meeting goals now 40% 2-4 grade*
 - *Math 8.5% in the winter meeting goals now 26.75%*
 - *46% of students have met growth goal- Reading*
 - *56% of students have improved -Reading*
 - *32% of students have met growth goal- Math*
 - *54% of students have improved- Math*

Student Presenters

- *Kindergarten-Aria M.*
- *1st Grade- Katie B.*
- *2nd Grade- Dakota P.*
- *3rd Grade- Jonas M.*
- *4th Grade- Gavin L.*
- *5th Grade- Phoenyx S.*

How to Reach the PTO

- website and social media

Mr. Bank presented about School Choice

- *Choice opens November 6, 2023 closes January 10, 2023*
 - *Select 3 schools to apply to in rank order*
 - *If you get your first choice you must opt in, if you say no because you really wanted your second choice you will not get on the waitlist for the second one and you will not be choiced into any school.*
 - *Do not list feeder school- if you do not choice into any school you will go to Stanton Middle (feeder school)*
- *February 29th is the final day for notifications about choice selections*
- *March 15th deadline to accept or reject choice options*
- *Some schools have auditions or interviews*
 - *Cab Calloway has an audition*
 - *If you have to audition you can pick 2 disciplines to audition for*
 - *Conrad you must interview for*
 - *If you have good Math and Science grades in 4th grade and the 1st quarter of the 5th grade you will not have to interview and will be automatically put into the lottery*
- *Living in Red Clay will give you a better chance to get into Red Clay schools*
- *Siblings in the school this year and next year will also give you a better chance to get into the school*
- *If you are waitlisted, that goes until the beginning of the next school year*

Volunteering

- Paperwork
 - Renew yearly
 - \$14 per person
 - Good for in school events and chaperoning field trips
 - Instructions on website
 - Contact # on form changed
- Volunteer opportunities
 - Fall festival 10/20 during school
 - Book fair 10/20-10/27 during school
 - Trunk or Treat 10/27 6-7:30
 - General volunteers, cars and candy donations
 - BINGO 11/30 6-8

Upcoming Events

- Sneaker Ball-March 7
- Future Events
 - Family Movie night
 - K-2 April 9
 - 3-5 April 23

Dr. Ted Ammann & Ava Mobely Presented on the Referendum

- *Increase local revenue (property taxes) have not been raised in several years*
- *School Board votes then public votes-this is the only tax that the public gets to vote on*
- *Operating costs have not gone up for 9 years*
- *Capital Improvements -building improvements*
- *Doing meetings in town halls 1 hr. Long and zoom meetings*

Open Floor