

PTA General Meeting Meetings
September 13, 2018

Call to order 6:05
Quorum: Yes

Katy Weber- Welcome and Introduction of the Executive Board

Superintendent: Joseph Morgan

Our new superintendent introduced himself and spoke of his vision of what he sees for this coming year at Rondout Valley.

Priorities: To listen to learn

Facilities projects-urgent upgrades and upkeep to schools

Mr. Morgan asks families to always feel free to email him freely and kindly follow up with and email. Contact jmorgan@rondout.k12.ny.us

Principal: Andrew Davenport

Mr. Davenport will always be present at meetings. He will give his updates and freely answer any questions and concerns from parents.

He spoke about the successful school-wide welcome assembly that took place on 9/13. The kids had a blast and it has been a very good start to the school year

Newsletters will come home monthly, please note the paper copy in your child's folder will contain more info and less pictures due to paper conserving but the emailed newsletter will contain many more pictures, so please check out both.

Busing-Ongoing issues are still being resolved

Curriculum Night: Thursday, September 20, 2018

*Parents questioned the Principal about certain busing incidents and Mr. Davenport and Mr. Morgan addressed these concerns and took notes and will follow up with the busing company.

Mr. Davenport Shared the busing Contact to all Parents

Renee Mackenzie 845-626-7143

Treasurer: Chad Miller

Budget Vote will be at October meeting (Tuesday Oct. 2nd)

A copy of the budget was passed around to parents as Chad went over the basic numbers for the year. Becoming a PTA member will give you the right to vote for the budget.

Fundraising Committee: Melissa Skillman/Melissa Mulkowsky

Yankee Candle: 9/10 through 10/28

Family and friends can buy through the packets that went home or order online with the school and student's order ID number. Orders taken by students will be mailed to the school and online orders will be a direct ship to the purchaser.

Square One: Art Fundraiser. This fundraiser offers parents the option to have their child's artwork from art class printed on personalized items. We are happy to have Mr. Protoss on board with us for this task. He will be collecting the kids artwork.

The Fundraising Committee would love your help! Please feel free to sign up and remember we don't want to exhaust you so any areas of help would be great, from counting box tops to helping for 20 minutes or even baking something yummy. Ask where or when you can offer a helping hand:

Melissa Skillman melissa.skilman@gmail.com

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**Fundraising Committee will be having a meeting October 15th at 5:30 in the MES cafeteria. Anyone interested in attending is welcome

Topics: Playground Stencils

KES has generously agreed to lend us their playground stencils so we can add this awesome touch to our playgrounds here at MES. We need volunteers. If interested please contact Keri Mcardle kmcardle223@gmail.com

Coat Drive: Middle School in the Fall (Parent raised this question)

Trunk or Treat: Proposed event, needs participants to be successful

Contact kmcardle223@gmail.com / melissa.skillman@gmail.com If interested to set up a spot.

Health & Wellness: Megan McMullen has stepped up to chair Committee!! Thank you

Teacher & PTA relationship: We have 2 teacher Liaisons, Grace Moone and Carol Covas who usually attend meetings and report back to teachers.

Garden Committee: Bethany Dennin

Please contact if interested bethanydennin@aol.com

Garden Club, Earth Day, Summer Harvest, Fall Harvest, Winterizing, these are all areas where the Garden Committee commits to providing extra hands to keep our school garden flourishing for the kids to use throughout the school year.

Picture Day: October 1st parents Volunteers needed, please sign up via MemberHub or by Contacting Katy Weber katy.weber@gmail.com

Next Meeting: October 2nd MES Cafeteria 6pm

Meeting adjourned 7:05