

# **River Oak Charter School Parent Council Meeting Agenda November 5, 2015, 5:30PM**

## MISSION

The Parent Council (PC) seeks to develop and promote a communicative, collaborative, and cohesive relationship between the parents, faculty, and students of River Oak Charter School. The Council facilitates and supports fundraisers that benefit the school community, assists in the organization of school events, and serves as the Voice of the Parent Body.

1. **Call to order at \_\_\_5:30 PM**
2. **Roll Call (Please sign in)** Sarah Bailey, Chair; Robyn Gibbs, Co-Chair, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade; Kelly Miller, Treasurer; Estelle Clifton, CCK; Jyl Sherman, 4<sup>th</sup> grade; Amy Cline, 8<sup>th</sup> grade; Melissa Eleftherion Carr, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade; Renee Thompson, 7<sup>th</sup> grade; Rachel Barber, Secretary; Kris Mize, Faculty Liaison; Rima Meechan, Administrator; Renee Thompsen, 7<sup>th</sup> grade; Chris Bennett, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade; Amy C. Nelson, GSK; Kate Beaman, GSK.
3. **Approval of minutes Sept & Oct.:** Approved.
4. **Approval of Agenda as Presented:** Approved with additions: Pastels Money Round Up.
5. **Public Comment:** Estelle Clifton discussed whether a school expansion to a larger property is a topic parents and faculty are interested in? Is growth of ROCS a possibility? Would the vacant school in Redwood Valley be of interest? And, if so, she is interested in creating and Chairing a Parent Committee or Charter Council Committee to focus on growth of our campus vs. creating a second campus vs. creating a River Oak Charter High School. Comments were made regarding past discussions of campus expansion and possibly incorporating the Senior Center property should they ever vacate. Kris Mize offered to bring up topic to open up discussion at next Faculty Meeting.
6. **Action Items**
  - A. **Fundraiser Approvals:**
    - 6<sup>th</sup> grade: Coffee Corner- pastries and coffee donated by Black Oak Coffee – **Approved.**
    - 5<sup>th</sup> grade: Wrapping paper sale. Projected earnings \$500-1000 - **Approved.**
    - 5<sup>th</sup> grade: Change Challenge- tabled by Faculty Council because leadership group is doing a similar fundraiser. - **Tabled.**
    - 5<sup>th</sup> grade: Plant Sale on April 16<sup>th</sup> at the Ukiah Fairgrounds. Projected earnings \$1000. Remainder of plants to be sold at ROCS campus. **Approved.**
7. **Reports:**

*Administrator’s Report – Rima Meechan* LCAP (Local Control and Advising Plan) a funding plan by State which allows each school to decide how to spend their money. Input from stakeholders is needed so last year a survey was done and top priorities were:

1. Math Program Enrichment
2. Spanish Program Enrichment
3. School Safety
4. Parent Education
5. Connectivity
6. Sports Program
7. Improved Games.

All priorities have been addressed this year.

1. Increased Staff for Math and more time in class
2. Spanish has been aligned with H.S. curriculum
3. More safety attendants, class aid increased to 2 hours
4. Back to school night and Spring Education by Waldorf Expert
5. Facebook page, Newsletter, and “School Reach”- communication tool for emergency notifications- test is planned for Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> at 6 AM.
6. Coach at school on Thursdays and Acorn Hut Capoeira
7. Dr. Knighton – Movement Expert from Rudolf Steiner College - here for two days Fall and Spring

***Treasurer’s Report – Kelly Miller***

Dance a thon earned \$14,057.39 - 10% to PC  
 Earned \$1,250 + \$30 for T shirts, Bags, Totes  
 Less \$350 for Mendo History Assembly  
 Current Total Balance \$6,395.04

***Faculty Report – Ms. Mize*** New report card system is going to be implemented soon. Discussions of changing to a Trimester System is on the table. Dr. Knighton is here and will be visiting every classroom tomorrow.

***Charter Council Report – Estelle Clifton*** Annual Report is being submitted to UUSD. Annual Report includes: Finances, Attendance, Parent Volunteer Hours, Classroom Report.

***ED Foundation Report*** – (Oak Leaf has article regarding February fundraising event to auction Ashland OR trip)

***Classroom Report*** – None.

**8. Ongoing Business/Overview Report**

**A. Literacy Night-** Natasha Carter presented dates for Literacy Night, March 2, 2016, and Reading Week, February 29<sup>th</sup> -March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016. She is requesting a PC Subcommittee to organize the event. Responsibilities would be 3-4 meetings, approximately 10 hours of time, volunteering during Literacy night event. One to two people to organize food. One person to help with activities. Proposed theme for this year “People in History from Around the World”. There will be 5 readers that will each read for 15 minutes. Jeanette will be contacted to find out about books still in stock from last year.

**B. Dance A Thon Wrap Up-** 3<sup>rd</sup> graders were the highest earners (~\$2500) and will have a Salad Party. Bubble Recess is scheduled for

next Tuesday.

9. **Upcoming Events:**  
**Nov. 11 No School**  
**Nov. 23-27 No School Thanksgiving Break**

10. **Adjournment \_\_\_6:25PM\_\_\_**