**Robinson Secondary School PTSO General Meeting**

**Wednesday, May 12, 2021**

**Attendees:** Meeting was held virtually via Zoom. There were 17 participants.

**Meeting Called to order:** 7:02

A motion was made by Michelle Glicklin and seconded by Michelle Gilles to approve the April minutes.

**April minutes were approved.**

**PTSO President Report:** Susanne Oshry

Ms. Oshry reported that 33 members voted for the new PTSO officers for next year. There was 100% consensus. The results for the 2021-2022 board are as follows:

 President –Susanne Oshry

 President 1st Vice ( Admin) – Hamid Munir

 President 2nd Vice – LaShawn Brown

 Secretary – JoEllen Windsor

 Treasurer – Shelley Smith

Ms. Oshry would like to revisit the topic of Death by Suicide at another meeting. Two programs to note for resources are Sources of Strength and Teen Mental Health First Aid.

Ms. Oshry sent out thanks to all the board members and support committee chairs and members for their help this year.

A question was asked by the membership if future meetings could be in-person and via zoom.

Answer: We will look into this. Meeting in person has its benefits, but it is understood that for those who cannot always find the time for in-person, zoom meetings can be beneficial.

**Administration Report:** Principal Tracey Phillips

Principal Phillips nor Ms. Wong were available due to other commitments, and no report was given at this time.

**Graduation Update:** Messages have gone out via school generated e-mails with information about graduation.

**Dean of Students Report:** Francesca Knight

No report.

**Food Pantry Update:**

No report.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Michelle Glicklin

We worked under a modified budget this year. We added a “Special Projects” category to help pass out funds as needed during the uncertain time of COVID. The PTSO did well raising money through dinner fundraisers and partnering with the All Night Grad Party (ANGP) Committee. Math Bootcamp will occur this year and overall the budget is looking good.

The PTSO provided 50% support for the Chick-Fil-A lunch boxes which were give out to teachers on teacher appreciation day. The lunches were well received by the teachers.

 **ALL Night GRAD Party:**

The ANGP has requested funds. Traditionally the PTSO has provided $1,500 to the ANGP. A motion was made to grant the ANGP $1,500. The motion was seconded and voted on by the members present. The motion passed unanimously.

**VP of Administration Report**: Jim Witkop

 **Math Bootcamp:** Math Bootcamp is open. There are 100 slots available at a cost of $100. The camp will run from August 9-12 for three hours a day and staffed by Robinson teachers. The camp is designed to help rising student in Algebra I and II and Geometry.

Sign up is at <https://robinsonptso.membershiptoolkit.com/summermath>

Question from the membership: “Is there any support for kids who are struggling with math because of COVID?”

 Answer: Per Danny Southard the math chair at Robinson, “Next year we will be addressing unfinished learning. There aren’t any programs for students to engage with, teachers will be receiving guidance about teaching students with unfinished learning. “

**Membership report:**

No report.

**Webmaster** : Jim Witkop

Libby York will be the new webmaster for the next school year 2021-2022. She can be contacted at webmaster@robinsonptso.org

**Second VP Report:** LaShawn Brown

**People’s Choice Awards:** This annual event is a chance to recognize people in the Robinson community for their contributions. The results are in; certificates and trophies will be given to the winners during a presentation at the school. Ms. Wong will be setting up way for those not present to be able to talk during the presentation. Planning on providing a snack during the event possibly water and an individual pre-packaged cupcake.

**Secretary Report:** JoEllen Windsor

The quarterly Coke Point money was paid out. Not sure of the exact amount because it is paid directly to the school and not through PTSO.

**Scholarship Committee report**: Nicole Ferguson and Shelley Smith

There were 15 applicants. The results are as follows:

Delta -one award at $1,000

 Pam Hickenbotham Memorial -one award at $1,000

 Friends of Robinson – one award at $1,000 and two at $500 (the two $500 awards were increased to $1,000 each by vote see below).

A motion was made and seconded to increase the scholarship amount for Friends of Robinson to $3,000 this year. The members voted and the motion passed unanimously to increase the amount to $3,00 for this award year.

**Ramping Up report**: Michelle Gilles

Ramping up is a go and sign up is open. There are currently 368 students signed up at a cost of $25 each. The event will occur all during a one week period and attendance will only be for one day and no lunch is provided. A suggestion was made to possibly had out individual ice cream snacks. There may be a need for volunteers, more on this later. Cut off for monetary refunds is

June 4, 2021.

**Marketplace Committee report**: Shelley Smith

The event is part vendor fair, part raffle, part silent auction and is a main fundraiser for the PTSO in the Fall of each year. We did not have a Marketplace in 2020. This year we will have the event and the date is November 13. Currently 31 people have applied for spots. One applicant was refused due to a duplicate business that was already represented. We need volunteers to get donations for the silent auction. If interested please email marketplace@robinsonptso.org

There may be a school play on the same day which will be good for business and will bring in foot traffic.

**SAT Prep with Jen:** Jen Lu

The final mock SAT is on May 29th. Registration must be done via [www.prepwithjen.com](http://www.prepwithjen.com) to reserve a spot.

**Restaurant Coordinators**: Denise Walker and Shaunda Trimmer

No report.

**Communications Coordinator**:

No report this month

**Fundraising Update:** Jim Witkop

No Report

**Special Education Liaison Update:** Joanne Walton

No Report

**President’s Volunteer Service Award**: Barb Caley, Social Studies Chair

These awards go to seventh to twelfth graders who have done at least 250 volunteer hours in a 12-moth period. We had 14 Robinson Rams who qualified. The cost of the awards was $134.63 paid by the PTSO. Juniors and Seniors will receive their awards at their respective awards night.

**New Business:**

Board results see above.

Death by Suicide future discussion

**Old Business:**

**Calming Corner:**

A proposal for a dedicated space where students can go to take a break when needed for mental health. Representative not present at this meeting.

**Student Business:**.

Ms. Oshry received an e-mail from a student who has a student business “Stickers Speak” which promotes mental awareness. We need more information before we can promote the business. Ms. Brown will follow up with the student.

*Not discussed at this meeting*

**Social Media presentation:**

Can Robinson put on a presentation along the lines of the Netflix documentary “The Social Dilemma”. – Needs further discussion, ideas are welcomed.

*Not discussed at this meeting.*

**Next meeting will be a board transition meeting, June 9, 2021**

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Submitted by,

JoEllen Windsor

PTSO Secretary