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Title of Meeting		Date
Randall Middle School PTO		<b>1/8/25 6:00 pm Hybrid Meeting: In Person in B-10 or Online via Google Meet</b>  <a href="https://meet.google.com/fix-cmne-gpf">https://meet.google.com/fix-cmne-gpf</a>
Attendees		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Juli Quinn</li> <li>● Tina Batsford</li> <li>● Theresa Radley</li> <li>● Ashley Pearson</li> <li>● Donald Chu</li> <li>● Christina Caravella</li> <li>● Erin Wilson</li> <li>● Amber Thayer</li> <li>● Christy Newton</li> </ul>		Meghan Chapman (excused)
Agenda		
Item	Notes	
Celebrations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● We had a great week right before December recess! The kids enjoyed the treats, door decorating, the crafts, etc...</li> <li>● The staff were so appreciative of all the PTO did for Randall staff each week!</li> <li>● The concert was phenomenal!</li> <li>● The Glow in the Dark Art Show was cool! It looked like the book fair was a success!</li> <li>● The kids loved seeing Aspen as she made her bracelets while they "shopped" for their own bracelets which she previously made and donated to them.</li> </ul>	
Reflect on December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● December was a great month!</li> <li>● Kids loved making the crafts, and we have supplies leftover. Theresa assisted Erin with the event. Some kids shared that they gave their craft to a family member.</li> </ul>	
Treasurer's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● December started at: \$6654.32</li> <li>● Ended at: \$9853.07</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● \$500 to Aspen as a donation, a thank you, and for her supplies that she buys to make the bracelets</li> <li>● Royal Auto - donated \$500 and the check finally arrived and was deposited</li> <li>● Costco - rice krispy treats</li> <li>● Over \$3000 made for the fudge/popcorn fundraiser</li> <li>● P &amp; C allergen free treats were purchased</li> <li>● Caravella purchased items for the December treats and will submit receipts</li> </ul>
Old business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Winter Luncheon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Where should we get the food from for the upcoming luncheon? In the past, we have ordered from families of students that own restaurants in the community.</li> <li>○ Wild Ginger gave us a \$100 gift certificate in December! Juli thinks we should consider using them again this year... others chime in that they enjoyed the variety of food from Wild Ginger. Last year, we staggered the meal into two sessions so that those that have late lunches can also have food left during their session.</li> <li>○ We need to be careful with allergies, but Wild Ginger will work with us. Wendy can help us with the food order. Ashley thinks we spent about \$500 (\$250 for the first session of food and \$250 for the last session) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ We will have the luncheon on Wednesday before February break - Wednesday, February 12th</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>● <a href="#">December minutes</a> - Christina read the email sent with bulleted items that were emailed. Theresa and Juli will locate the actual document they typed on in January. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Juli found and read the December minutes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Motion to approve the December minutes: Christy</li> <li>■ Seconded by: Ashley</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>● March Fundraiser- Doug's Fish Fry <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Ashley will contact the owners to confirm Thursday, March 27th as reserved for the fundraiser. It will go from 3-8 pm.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Juli received a Valentine's fundraiser from Arnold's Florist in regard to selling carnations for profit. Juli is not pushing this at all; she is just sharing with PTO. In the past, PTO has paid and given one carnation to each child, and then we decided not to do this afterward because we would find the flower heads popped off. PTO decided not to do the carnation once again.</li> <li>● Clarification about the Syracuse Basketball Game - Each homeroom has to earn points in order to demonstrate being "Better Together" - all 12 homerooms have to earn it in order to go. Only 1 out of 12 homerooms was close to making the goal even after multiple reminders about being "Better Together." Some students were saying that we would still go even if classes didn't earn the incentive points. Faculty stayed later at the faculty meeting, really discussing whether we should attend the game or</li> </ul>

	<p>not, and we decided not to go. In the future, we will not tie this event to an incentive because we do not want kids to miss out on this type of opportunity. The staff really wrestled with the decision to not attend the game.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ PTO members thanked Juli for sticking to our message about being “Better Together,” and they were understanding as to why the students would not be able to attend the game because they didn’t make their goals.</li> <li>● Recess - Many districts send kids out for recess at various temperatures, and Randall feels they want kids to go out to recess as much as possible. We closely monitor temperatures, and we decided that with a real feel of 10 degrees or above we will send them out. We will monitor...if it’s 12 degrees, that does NOT mean that we will stick to it and send them out. If it feels too cold, we will keep them in the building. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Teachers have shared that they see a difference between indoor vs. outdoor recess in regard to the mayhem that occurs if kids stay in too long. They need to run off some of that energy.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Book Fair Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Huge success!</li> <li>○ Made a ton to be used with Scholastic to buy books in order to offset the reduction in budget given to purchase books for the library</li> <li>○ Some donated money in order for some students that typically wouldn’t have funds to purchase books, to choose some books/items from the book fair. Students were given about \$12, so they could choose what they would like.</li> <li>○ Some quotes from kids that received the donation to shop: “Best day of my life” “...had never been able to get anything at the book fair before”</li> <li>○ Erin’s not positive about doing more than one book fair in a year as it is a lot of work, but perhaps we could do some sort of a book swap or something in order to send the kids off with books to read for the start of the summer.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Closing of Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Motion to close: Christy Newton</li> <li>● Seconded by Christina Caravella</li> </ul>
Next Steps	
<p>Next meeting: February 12, 2025, second Wednesday of the month at 6 PM.  <a href="https://meet.google.com/fix-cmne-gpf">https://meet.google.com/fix-cmne-gpf</a></p>	