



**RC Hinsdale Elementary PTA
General Body Meeting Minutes
Thursday November 13th, 2025
RC Hinsdale Cafeteria and Zoom**

Attendees: Alece Piper, Jessica Remole, Rachel Devoto, Bonnie Wilding, Emily Prentice, Sarah Mohr, Jackie Curioso, Shannon Klaene, Kaelene Acosta, Chelsea Linneman, Krislyn Mamie, Brandy Fritsch, Allison Wilker, Amra Chamberlein, Christina Kappes, Megan Cassiere, Jenny Bunnell, Monique Gutierrez, Tatum Watkins, Katie McLain, Abby Clark-Wagner, Gena Hall- on Zoom: Stacy McMillen

Agenda

1. Call to Order at 6:39 pm by Jenny Bunnell, PTA President
2. Approval of October General Membership Minutes
 - a. Motion to Approve Minutes.
 - i. Motion #1: Emily Prentice
 - ii. Motion #2: Rachel Devoto
 - iii. All approved.
3. Principal's Report- Josh Feldmann
 - a. Conferences are different, more flexible bc of the transition
 - b. 3, 4, and 5th grades move to pods week of Thanksgiving and Working to move 3rd grade bc transition is during state testing
 - c. MonsterDash prizes, first principal of the day is tomorrow (Nov. 14)
 - d. Report cards tomorrow (Nov.14)
 - e. Construction updates- phase will be 2nd and 1st grade pods. The 1st grade pod will become the library; 1st grade is going to move to the 3rd grade pod, everyone will be moving. The 3rd graders will go to the gym. Alphabest may use some of the gym. The central office team will do the moving but the question was asked if help was needed, that is to be determined but is not definitive now. The new pods are very state of the art; teacher representatives confirmed that they look very very nice.
4. Fundraising- Allison Wilker
 - a. Wrap up of Monster Dash- 52,014 raised and the generated revenue for sponsorship of the t-shirts that will cover all expenses of the fundraiser. 42

students pie Mr. Feldmann. He was very game. Allison can't renew fundraising role and is open to helping for next year's event. A few lunches with principals, pizza parties, etc but are on the way.

- b. Recap of Dave & Busters- Allison thanked everyone who went to D&B's- we tried something new and she appreciated everyone's patience for the kinks.
 - c. Spirit Wear- no new items before now and end of the year, but will most likely have something in spring and perhaps in conjunction with spirit week.
 - d. Other updates- some new events for January. Buff City is Sat. December 6th, Hinsdale gets 25% of all sales for the entire day. Kroger rewards, dropped off, we lost 70 people. We will still get about \$875 but spread the word that they should sign up for Kroger rewards. Suggestion to share instructions on facebook.
5. Programs & Special Events- Holly Nicolaou
- a. Upcoming Events- Holly is not at meeting but focus is on JBB this month
 - b. Jingle Bell Blvd.- chair Katie McClain- JBB is getting close, Katie needs dates confirmed. Needs a location for the event- do we need a third day since the area is a smaller footprint? Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 12/10, 12/11, and perhaps 12/12. JBB has spent 50% of budget, close to 3k- she has shopping helpers and will take new shoppers but shoppers will need to follow guidelines in order to track spending. Sign-up for volunteers will be sent soon but will most likely need less last year since it is a smaller footprint. Also volunteers for donations for materials needed for JBB to wrap breakable items. Amazon shipping supplies are helpful. Depending on the number of items/units that are available for sale, suggestions may be made to steer kids about the number of items they can purchase. We will try to communicate this in advance. And volunteers may need to help keep the kids to a certain amount of items.
6. Volunteers-Rachel DeVoto
- a. Classroom/Pod parent volunteer information going out- good amount of volunteers but still time to reach out to Rachel. Rachel will send out information about how to plan and prepare the parties very soon. Asks for classroom parents to reach out if they have questions. Construction may need to limit the amount of parents in the building
 - b. Reminder about background checks
7. Updates on Communication- Emily Prentice
- a. Emily asks if you haven't been receiving emails, to contact her. Cross posting on facebook pages should work but 3rd, 4th and 5th class pages don't always update. Emily is working on trying to make sure most information is cross posted.
8. Teacher Reps-Tatum Watkins & BrandyFritsch
- a. Kids loved the Monster Dash, and teachers appreciated the extra candy for their classroom rewards. Report cards are taking up a lot of the teacher's attention.

Scholastic Fair will be in the cafeteria, Mrs. Harmon created her own volunteer list that she posted in Dojo so PTA help with sign up sheet isn't needed.

- b. Parties will look different because of the walls in the gym and construction walls. NO ICING-NO GLITTER- NO SPRINKES- NO BUBBLES etc. in the new pod, especially 3,4 and 5.

9. Treasurer's Report- Monique Guterrez

- a. Review of report
- b. Taxes have been sent -Tax season for PTA is completed and sent off.
- c. Monster Dash money is still being deposited. If a program is upcoming please spend your money so money is being spent, like JBB, Holiday party before January 1st would be ideal.
- d. Rachel will include instructions for pod and classroom parties for Monique. Jenny asks if there are questions- questions about where to go during classroom parties or the conferences since parents haven't been inside of the school.

Rachel 1st

Shannon

Passes without any objections.

10. Adjournment- Jenny Bunnell

- a. EC will meet to amend the budget before the end of the year with the actual numbers now that Monster Dash is over, and then this budget is brought to the general body meeting to vote on.
- b. Invitation to all present to go to Mackenzie River for social time
- c. No General body meeting in December
- d. January 8th is the next meeting
- e. Move to adjourn- Motion 1: Allison Wilker, Motion 2: Shannon Klaene, all approve.

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