

P.A.R.A.

Parents' Association of Riley Avenue

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Minutes from January 15th, 2015

- **Welcome – called to order @ 7:35pm**

- Pledge

- **Introduction of Administration**

Mr. Enos

Mrs. Grim

- **Introduction of Executive Board Members**

Gary Rider and Maryann Vene, Co-Presidents

Gwendolyn Levesque, Vice President

Denise Gust, Treasurer

Deanna Jakubowsky, Secretary - Absent

- **Old Business**

Great Job with all the December Activities – a big thank you to our parent volunteers. P.A.R.A. was able to take care of 74 individuals for the Holidays.

Walmart grant was used for coats and shoes and additional gifts for families.

Giving Tree- Well received - all items were purchased, good success.

Toys for Tots- we received a donation and these toys were distributed to the families

Extra toys and jackets were sent to our sister school Roanoke Ave for needy students

Santa Claus was a success, good feedback from all

Teacher Luncheon- was also successful, great feedback from teachers. Almost all teacher & staff attended.

Bylaws Committee

All Bylaw updates have been posted on the website.

- **Yearbook / Photography Committee – Mary Ann Vene**

4th Graders - please send in Baby Photos.

Upload pictures of any class activities on P.A.R.A. website.

Spring Pictures are schedule for Thursday March 5th

Pre-Sale for Yearbook to Date was \$1696

- **Box Tops**

\$1200 Check received, as per earlier discussion added to Technology Fund.

Please cut them out, place in baggie LABELED with classroom # and send them to school.

Talked about a sign to show money raised??

- **Labels for Education- Heather and Ann**

Waiting for Earned Items to arrive for P.E. Classes

Balls, Parachute & games

- **P.A.R.P. – -Wed. Feb 25, Author/Illustrator Night & Riley Family Reading Night**

Brian Heinz assemblies in March

Motion for \$1600 for PARP (Assembly, Supplies, Author Night) made by Kim R. Seconded. None opposed.

- **Good and Welfare**

Riley Coat Drive – Coats being sent out.

- **Fourth Grade Field Trip – 4th Grade Trip Discussed.**

Motion for \$100 Deposit Approved

- **Treasurer's Report Reviewed for Month ending December 31, 2014**

- Beginning Balance \$20486.46
- Ending Balance \$34,773.21

Board will post Treasurer's Report on website and will continue to have an Open Book Policy.

Winter Wonderland – not as much raised as we had hoped.

Discussed Fund Raisers vs School Spirit events – Riley Wear is not a Fund Raiser.

- **Student Council**

Mini Muffin Recycling project going well

Looking for more details for Caps for Love program.

Family Dance – March 26th on Calendar

Discussion on Raffle / Auction Event

February 6th, 7-10pm

Drawings to start at 9pm

Door Ticket Sales (\$15) will cover operation expenses.

\$20 for Raffle Ticket Sheets of 25 tickets

\$10 "High Roller" Table for a few Big Ticket items

(Requested Seed Money of Up to \$1000 to setup event) Motion Approved

Donated Baskets and Items, 50/50 - all profits from Raffles to go to Arts and Education Fund.

- **Principal Time**

December- great feedback, PARA's generosity

PARP- Author/Illustrator Night good discussions and planning

Student Council- Great Kindness Challenge, week of Jan. 26

bucket filling / handprint challenge

Indoor Recess Discussions

Indoor game management

Mr. Enos to discuss responsibility of every other day game day w/ Staff

2nd grade recess seems to have some problems per Parents

Parking lot Issues

-pick up/drop off

-safety issues

School Admin will look into this and report back in February

- **Open Discussion:**

Additional Raffle Auction Discussions

Meeting Adjourned – 9:45pm