

**PRESENT:** Morley Hegstrom-RMS Principle, Eric Anderson – RMS Principle start 2009-2010 school year, Juan Cuadros–RMS Vice Principle, Nancy Collie–Volunteer Coordinator, Melanie MacKinnon–PAR co-convener, Deb McCarty–PAR co-convener, Maggie Carlson–PAR secretary, Coleen Alexander-PAR treasurer, Ann Cole, Terrie Monroe, Kim Esrig, Art Farley, Jeremy Hansen, Michelle Mikkelsen, Loral miller, Xie Hong

PAR Meeting Minutes of Meeting 6 and 7 were approved. PAR Business meeting minutes are now located in a notebook in the office – They are posted on the web site as well.

You are welcome to come before PAR meetings from 8:45-9am, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday each month, for coffee and a chance to chat with Morley and Juan.

**INTRODUCTIONS** – Good Morning and Welcome - Melanie MacKinnon  
Please introduce yourself and name/grade of your student.

**ANNOUNCEMENT** – Morley and Eric – Principle Report

a) Eric Anderson is the new Principle of RMS and will start next school year. Welcome Eric! Eric has been at South Eugene High School for the last 7 years as a Vice Principle. At South he worked with incoming 8<sup>th</sup> graders and 9<sup>th</sup> graders to help make a successful transition for students. Eric knows much about Roosevelt and is excited to be a part of this community. He feels South was the best High School in the State and know feels fortunate to now work at the best Middle School. He would like to meet with parents to understand the vision of Roosevelt. You can email him at [Anderson\\_er@4j.lane.edu](mailto:Anderson_er@4j.lane.edu)

Morley reports that Eric has already helped with the computerized registration at South Eugene High School. South was the first school to go online with registration.

b) Roosevelt Registration – Registration was different this year. The classes were changed quite a bit. These were changes that they knew would happen. The classes that were dropped or changed were now being use to the fullest. The change has made things more efficient and more inclusive for everyone. It has been a positive experience.

c) Cuts – We have lost 14 sections of classes. We have fewer students. This makes it tighter. There is less wiggle room. A Health Period will be cut next year.

French Immersion – Because Catherine Weibe had a temporary position this year, she could be displaced by a French teacher in the district who had been displaced or reduced from their job. This affects not just French Immersion, but all Roosevelt students, as the French teachers also teach elective and other Roosevelt classes. Catherine’s job might need to be cut to .5, which means that Donna Heath and Rebecca Harlan would need to each teach an additional class. We do not yet know if anyone will be asking for a transfer.

Mandy Miller is retiring this year and will not be replaced.

David Chinburg is retiring this year. He will be replaced with a full time position. There are displaced music teachers in the district. We do not yet know who will be asking for a transfer.

Because Roosevelt has “House” we need full time teachers. This is difficult with all the cutbacks. It is difficult for the district.

Melanie MacKinnon asks if there is a time frame? Morley reports the time frame has already passes, Wednesday at 5pm. Now Roosevelt administration will go back to the District and advocate for what is a good fit to our school.

Retirement Reception – Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:45 in the Library to honor Mandy Miller, David Chinburg, and Morley Hegstrom.

Juan’s Report –

Proposed an agenda item for next year: School Culture Administration is going to look at the schools written policy. There was a big problem with Marijuana use by students this year. The staff would like to be proactive and put together an educational program for all students.

Deb McCarty reports that there is a perception among students that “nothing happens” as a consequence to the student who gets caught. Juan assures us there are big consequences and they are carried out. Deb McCarty asks how do students find out what happens? Morley reports that if the perception is incorrect, then they need to do a better job of communicating to all students. A committee will take up this issue in the new school year.

Roosevelt Track – Juan reports that the track team was all given T-Shirts and it was such a success with the track students, that he would like to see all Roosevelt students get a Roosevelt T-Shirt. Juan feels this will help to improve School Climate.

## **AGENDA –**

### **1) Treasurer’s Report – Coleen Alexander**

See attached detailed report.

a) The numbers are not totally in for Showcase, as not all expenses are in.

Staffle Raffle made \$371, money goes to staff grants

House Photo sales still on going

House Baskets made \$3,857, money goes to staff grants

Silent Auction made \$16,711, this includes the House Baskets

La Creperie made \$298.10, money goes to French Immersion Program  
Snack Alley made \$648.74, money goes to WEB Program  
Sweet Street made \$494.40, money goes to ACT Program  
Food Sales unknown, waiting for expenses.  
EEF night of Showcase \$5,000

b) Request for Funds – Kim Esrig

In order to keep the French Immersion teacher, Catherine Weibe's, job a full time position \$29,000 would need to be raised. Kim called all French Immersion homes, talked to 80% of families, 90% of which donated. She was able to collect \$19,000. Kim is asking PAR to donate the remaining \$10,000. Keeping this teacher at RMS would benefit not only the French Immersion Students, who are 1/3 of the school. Money being asked for is less than ¼ of PAR Funds. It would also benefit RMS as a whole, keeping the good teachers at Roosevelt. Other students benefit as Catherine teaches elective courses to non immersion students throughout the year.

Kim only needs this money to be donated if Catherine is able to stay at RMS. Kim was told by the district that a displaced French teacher could bump Catherine for her position.

Note is made that Catherine is the only native speaking French teacher in all 12 years of the Immersion program. She is well liked by her team, Rebecca Harlan and Donna Heath.

Kim will work with the district to request a better description of regulations for immersion needs. This way a native speaker can be specified.

This is an infusion of PAR funds for only one year.

Other funding needs PAR might find request from are the volunteer Coordinator position, lunch pass program, after school study club, Students in Transition

Motion was made to vote in case funds are needed before next month. Second.  
Vote was made to give \$10,000 contingent on need.

c) Students in Transition – Art Farley

Next month Art will talk about Students in Transition program and ask for additional funds to keep it running.

Question was brought to PAR regarding guidelines for spending PAR money.  
Do we want to be so liberal with funds or do we want to save? PAR will continue to talk about this issue. PAR will work on setting some guidelines for who makes these decisions ie who votes.

**2) Volunteer Coordinator** – Nancy Collie [collie\\_n@4j.lane.edu](mailto:collie_n@4j.lane.edu)  
**A Big Thank You to Nancy Collie for a great first year as Volunteer Coordinator!!**

**a) Activity Night** – 5-29-09 6:30-8:30

New activity next time is the Candy Bar walk. House photos will be available for purchase. Volunteers always are needed.

**b) Volunteer Tea – Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 2pm**

Aladdin Teaser, please come.

For next years planning note that Edison Elementary has early release of 1:30 on Thursdays.

**c) Promotion** – Need volunteers for this and the 7<sup>th</sup> grade, 8<sup>th</sup> grade trips and 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance.

**3)Scrip and escrip** – Maggie Carlson [scottc15@yahoo.com](mailto:scottc15@yahoo.com) 484-9286

See attachments for detailed report.

Market of Choice has a new card processor as of Jan 2009 and there has been some problems with having all purchases show up. RMS monthly escrip income went from \$900/month to less than one third of that.

Escrip is working on the problem.

RMS gets over 80% of its escrip income from Market of Choice. It is recommended that a thank you go to Market of Choice from Roosevelt.

**4) Parent Education Series – Deb McCarty**

See attached page.

There will be no “Hot Topics” at next evening meeting due to time.

Advertising is going out via auto dialer, enews, and House parents email.

**5) Site Counsel Report – Deb McCarty**

Running short on time. Save topics for next PAR meeting.

**6) Grant Proposal – Melanie MacKinnon**

Money earned from House Basket sales and Staffle Raffle ticket sales.

New grant form passed around meeting.

Morley will take to next Staff Meeting. Morley reports that staff might want to pool the money and use it in one lump sum. The Staff may want to use the money to make Sami Abbitt’s position full time. This would take \$10,000. The staff would like a choice.

Might not be enough time left in the school year for staff to decide. This may be left for next year.

## **7) Showcase result update – Next Meeting**

**NEXT PAR MEETING IS FRIDAY June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009 FROM 9-10:30**

**Next meeting will cover Showcase results and pre filling volunteer jobs for next year.**

Please join us 8:45 to 9am for good coffee and conversation with Eric, Morley and Juan!