



Van Raub Elementary PTO
8776 Dietz Elkhorn Road
Fair Oaks Ranch, TX 78015

Van Raub Elementary
2022/2023 PTO Board Meeting
January 11, 2024

Blue = notes
Red = action items

- 1) Call to Order **(10:11am) (meeting adjourned at 12:20pm)**
- 2) Snow Ball – post Mortem
 - a) \$3,627 expense – **nothing but great feedback. Next year, order more pizza since we had such a big turnout. Maybe add 1 extra food truck)**
- 3) Apex Roadrunner Dash – 2024 plan
 - a) Survey Results – **mixed reviews about this year’s event. Going to explore other fundraising options to make it easier for parents.**
- 4) Staff Appreciation Update – Jacqueline/Hilda/Lorraine/Erika
 - a) January – Texas Roadhouse donation - well done!
 - b) Monthly
 - i) **February 5th? But February 6th is closed campus. Check with Michael**
 - ii) March 6 – Blume Haus
 - c) Upcoming Special Role (Choate/Pyle school POCs)
 - i) School Counseling Week – February 5-9 – Lunch for Mrs. Maloney?
 - ii) School Resource Officer Day – February 15 - Yard Sign ordered, update to Officer Pina.
 - iii) School Bus Driver and Bus Assistant appreciation - February 22 – Yard sign ordered
- 5) Financials/tax
 - a) Paying sales tax this week for 22/23 fiscal year
 - b) Form 990 2021 came back to us due to amendment that was filed by previous Treasurer. Margie has identified issue and will respond. **Voted in favor of Fiesta & Meet the Teacher events for the form where we don’t pay taxes**
 - c) Voting for Tax free days for 2024 – calendar year
 - i) Proposed: Fiesta and Meet the Teacher
 - ii) Voting results: **Megan motioned for approval, Hannah seconded. All were in favor or proposal. Voting to do tax free for Fiesta, April 5th and Meet the Teacher, date TBD, August 2024**
 - d) Upcoming expenses:
 - i) Math & Science Night - \$300 – waiting for response on needs
 - ii) Field Trips - \$6500
 - iii) Principals Budget – to be used at end of year
 - iv) After school club expense
 - v) Author’s Visit – will need a check for amount to be paid on day of her arrival – January 29th – cost will close out the Educational Grants expenses





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- 6) Improvements
 - a) Potential Big projects – We have approx. \$40-50K I'd feel comfortable spending on another big project
 - i) Turf in courtyard? – Meeting with company 1/11 (was postponed) to discuss feasibility; Concerns were raised for health impact for children. In meeting discussion that other experts have deemed concern limited or non existent. Will review concern and gain additional expert opinions before/if we move forward with this.
 - ii) Other options:
 - (1) Put in Cup or fence privacy options – Megan has sent options to Summer for review.
 - (2) Others:
 - (a) Teacher's lounge
 - (b) Front Hall painting
 - (c) Book Vending
 - (d) Additional Benches
 - (e) Digital Photo Booth to have for all school events (customizable printable photos-link for example)) <https://photoboothsupplyco.com/pages/salsa-booth>
- 7) Spirit Nights Update – Natalie S
 - i) Fralo's December 14th
 - ii) Future dates – provided recommendations to Natalie. Natalie to determine options
- 8) Spirit Sticks & Croc Charms – Natalie
 - a) September - \$491 in profit
 - b) October - \$419 profit
 - c) November - \$280 profit
 - d) January (1/25)– Christine/Jaqueline/Amanda Thelemann (Margie pull money from the bank)
 - e) February (2/29) – Megan/Katrina
- 9) Merchandise – Amanda N
 - a) 2 – 4 shirt options to be produced before Fiesta (everyone: send in recommendations)
- 10) Communication Needs – Natalie Cruz – please be proactive about these and reach out to contact to get post information as needed
 - a) Monthly
 - i) Spirit Stick sales
 - ii) Blessings in a Backpack – once a month reminder
 - iii) Monthly calendar update
 - b) Sponsor Shoutouts
 - c) Treats with your Sweets – February 14th - lets get this on the calendar and get a flyer made
 - d) Fiesta – get on calendar
 - e) School Counselor Week – February 5-9 – post/pics
 - f) School Resource Officer – February 15 – post pics
 - g) School Bus Driver & Bus Assistant – February 22 – post/pics



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11) Upcoming Parent Events:

- a) February 14th – Treats with your Sweets breakfast opportunity for students/parents – Meredith/Brandi — **bulk donuts from Walmart, mini muffins in advance– coffee from summer moon (still have credit with them). Katrina- create valentines back drop. Order coffee, order Oriental Trading Crafts)**
 - i) Ideas?

12) 2024/2025 PTO Board

- a) New Roles
- b) Committees
- c) Recruiting
- d) Engaging new members, inviting to our meetings

13) General PTO Meeting – need to get on schedule

- a) Agenda
 - i) Review
 - ii) Board Positions

14) Fiesta – April 5, 2024

- a) See Separate Project Plan