

**Royal Oak Middle School PTSA
DRAFT September General Meeting Minutes DRAFT**

October 17, 2022

7:00 p.m.

Virtual

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Meeting ID: 924 6015 0534

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Meeting Attendees: Elizabeth Mulheisen, Katie Bonus, Val Moskalik, Amie Brown, Joelle Jarrait, Mari DelaGarza, Raquel Frutos, Melanie Macey, MaryAnne VanHaitsma, Kate Chambers, Carrie Hooker, Trisha Ferguson, Michelle Burkett, Kristin Smith, Lisa Ze Winters, Marcella Rogers, Sarah Schwartz, Luciana Catledge, Patti Fritz, Margaret Blount, Katherine Stevenson, Rosie Benda, Nelli Harrie, Jenny Kowalkowski, Susan Browning, Jennifer Tietz, Jessica Kammann, Jani Saygan, Brooke Klawitter, Stacie Woodward, Deidre Messing, Michelle Cook

- I. Call to Order: Elizabeth Mulheisen
 - a. Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.
 - b. Reading of Michigan PTA Mission and Values
- II. Secretary's Report: Katie Bonus
 - a. Melanie Macey motioned to approve the September 2022 minutes, Val Moskalik seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- III. Principal's Report: Kristin Meldrum
 - a. Welcome
 - b. ROMS enjoying football, basketball and cross country seasons. Anticipating events for band and orchestra.
 - c. Encouraged by improvements in behavior
 - d. Parent teacher conference link to go live 10/18 at noon
 - e. Purposeful consolidation of communication into newsletters, not individual emails
 - f. Picture retakes 9/17
 - g. Half day halloween 10/31
 - h. Half day for conferences 10/27
 - i. Counseling department planning Red Ribbon Week, week of 10/24
 - Monday- Wear Red
 - Tuesday- PJ/Disney Day
 - Wednesday- Wacky Wednesday
 - Thursday- Tacky Tourist Day
 - Friday- Wear Sportswear ROMS Colors

j. Answers to community questions:

- Conference times are 10 minute blocks
- School pictures: please email Ms. Meldrum if student had issues on retake day

IV. School Board Liaison Report: Maryanne VanHaitsma

- a. School board meeting last Thursday, 9/14
- b. Announced Tim Boyer as Principal at Addams
- c. Joe Youanes took role as Curriculum director
- d. New Elementary Education Curriculum Director
- e. Proclamations:
 - Indigenous People's Day
 - Hispanic Heritage Month
 - Honoring Royal Oak Schools Foundation's 30th anniversary
 1. Produce halls
 2. 2021-2022 elementary reading project
 3. Social-emotional development
 - Alyssa Reimold named Royal Oak Schools 2020 Educator of the Year
 - Ballot 11/8:
 1. Building Site and Sinking Fund, provides necessary repairs to schools
 2. School Board election
 - ROHS student Dakota Hendren joined press corps for Vice President Harris' visit to Metro Detroit, took over Royal Oak Schools' social media
 - Website renovation in works, please let superintendent know if any bugs present
 - Long Range Planning Committee:
 1. 9/27 first long meeting
 2. Community involvement is critical
 - Dr. Kim Martin first JEDI committee meeting (Justice Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, a collaborative group of PTA, ROMPA, staff, students)

V. President's Report: Elizabeth Mulheisen

- a. Standing Rules update
 - Standing Rules are PTSA specific guidelines of how we run the PTA. Shorter and more specific than bylaws.
 - Changes proposed
 1. #7 need to indicate that the fb page is no longer closed
 2. Grammar and spelling edits
 3. Changes to reflect that MI and National groups are designated PTA and our ROMS unit is designated a PTSA
 4. His/her changed to their
 5. Officers' responsibilities
 - a. Agenda transferred from president to secretary
 - b. Clarified role of member at large in relation to founders day
 6. To be shared via memberhub
- b. Bylaws update
 - Committee spots available to look at bylaws changes
 - Any desired changes for 2022 must be submitted by 12/1 (optional)
 - Bylaws do not need to be updated until 2025
- c. RO PTA Council

- Second Vice President position is open, contact Marianne VanHaitsma, Val Moslalik or Elizabeth Mulheisen for information

VI. Treasurer's Report: Amie Brown

- a. See budget report
- b. Just under \$8,000 in checking account
- c. Upcoming expenses:
 - Staff appreciation dinner,
 - PTA meeting dinner,
 - Remittance of October membership collection to MI PTA

VII. Membership Report: Val Moskalik

- a. Membership count: 316 members, up from 296 last month
- b. Thank you to all who filled out surveys, provided feedback and asked questions regarding September meeting
- c. Memberhub and Google Groups being formed for committees

VIII. Teacher Reepresentative/Student Council Report: Lindsey Potterack/Kate Chambers

- a. Welcoming back Ms. Chambers in November
- b. Color Out
 - Shirts delivered week of 10/24 1st hour,
 - Color Out Day is 11/4,
 - May wear any shirt with class colors: 6th is red, 7th is black, 8th is white
- c. Web store
 - Open 11/14,
 - Open for two weeks,
 - May ship to school or home
- d. Food and Toiletry Drive starts 11/14 ends 12/2, working with teen clean closet with donations going directly to ROMS families
- e. Drama Club
 - Melanie Davis co-directing with Kate Chambers,
 - Performance 3/17 and tentatively 3/18
- f. Student Council met with Elizabeth and Val, getting the kids more involved in the PTSA in a group called The S
 - Held brainstorming session
 - Planning lunches in PTA room, more information and volunteer opportunities to come

IX. Committee Reports:

- a. Fundraising Report
 - Held first meeting
 - Erin Lincoln created fundraising page on Memberhub
 - Crowdfunding fundraiser to be launched in fall with celebration for students in spring, dependent on funds raised
 - Goal: launch on 10/24, 4-6 weeks of fundraising and then will revisit budget
- b. Staff Appreciation: Melissa Berry and Katie Bonus
 - 10/27 staff appreciation meal
 - will ask community for donations

X. New Business:

- a. Staff Appreciation raffle- Christina Ellenberger wins \$25 Golden State Chef donated gift card

XI. Adjournment: Elizabeth Mulheisen

- a. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.
- b. Next meeting: Monday, November 21, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., in person at ROMS