REPAC Meeting Minutes - January 10, 2019

Attendees:

Sabrina Lamar, Lesley Skalla, Sharon Barrell, Tom Edds, Jamie Baize-Smith, Mandy Summerson, Doreen Sanfelici, Micah Luftig, Linda SHerck, Jim Wennerstrom, Jill Bosecker, Cindie Burns, Kellie Rigsbee, Charles Stern, Karen Seifert, Meredith Marley, Todd Patton, Jenny Umbarger, Gwen Yueh, Tim Velogel, Jeff Koweek

The November minutes were approved by a unanimous vote. Thank you to Sharon for taking minutes!

Committee Reports:

August Picnic (Jeff): We reserve the Eno River picnic shelter each February for the August picnic. The same committee that ran the picnic is running it this year. A portable speaker has been purchased for the picnic and is now available for teachers to use if needed for instructional purposes.

Program Preservation Person (Jeff): Linda Walters will work with Tim to memorialize the engineering program function. Jeff encouraged people to complete the DPS survey he sent out to REPAC listserv expressing support for district resources for administrative support and growth for our engineering program.

Treasurer (Todd): There's not much budget activity right now. We have \$12,902.37 in the bank.

Spirit Wear (Cindie): We'll place one more order this year. The senior shirts are in and selling well.

Community Service (Meredith): We had an Urban Ministries opportunity before the holidays. A parent connected us with Book Harvest so we will have some events with that organization. We have a Food Bank event in February.

Spring Speaker Day (Doreen): Spring Speaker Day is scheduled for Feb. 22. We're waiting for confirmation from 2 to 3 speakers. We have a variety of people signed up to speak. We'll send out the hospitality signup soon.

Programs and Grants (Kim): This committee is working on several grants. One will involve requesting gift cards for tools for the engineering classrooms. We're working on some larger grants that are more vision focused. We're working with Mr. Davidson on some teacher-based grants.

Hospitality (Jill): Nothing to report.

Upcoming Events: Speaker Day (Feb. 23). Science Olympiad (March 2)—Hosted by Riverside and RHS has a team attending this year.

Durham Bulls Stand Captains: We're looking for 4 to 5 people to serve as stand captains this year to take the burden off of Margot. Jeff is getting information on the duties from Margot. Stand captains will be trained to do this job. Two engineering-related groups work the Bulls games: REPAC and robotics. The funds raised are kept separate for the 2 groups.

REPAC Board Positions: Jeff is talking to several people about filling the empty Board positions for next year.

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Senior Celebration: We have a coordinator for the senior celebration.

Tim Town Hall:

- DPS is getting a new CTE Director, Dr. Pack. He wants to make sure the engineering program is on her radar.
- There are 140 seats open in the lottery for the program.
- The engineering program needs another ½ time teacher.
- Tim would like all engineering students to take the AutoDesk certification tests. Teachers receive a monetary benefit for each student who gets certified.
- Tom Edds is working on developing a REPAC website. Tim asked parents for ideas on what items/links should be on the website. Parents mentioned several ideas, including list of events, calendar, forms, etc.

Meeting Adjourned-Next meeting tentatively on February 7 in the media center.