Red Alert Robotics Parents Organization

Rarpo Meeting Minutes: March 13, 2014

Officers Present: Rick Ramirez- President, Julie Ramirez – Vice President, Donna Vaught –

Secretary

Officers Not Present: Mike Kobierski – Treasurer

Parents Present: Bibbi Eid, Lori Kogut, Stephanie Terrell, Christy Varney, Bill Turner, Jill Newport, Meg Reeves, Jay Miller, Tracie Gardner, Pat Rasche, Paula Kivett, Holly James, Karla Tugan, Andi Smith, Jackie Bentson and Marvin Ziegler.

<u>Fundraising Chair</u>: Chris Roeder has stepped down as Fundraising chair. Board has accepted her resignation.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Mike Kobierski sent updated report in. The balance in RARPO PNC bank account is \$41,489.51, of which \$928.67 is in the restricted Indy South FLL account. The team also has \$421.12 in the Center Grove school account. The balance reflects deposits made in total of \$11,490.68 (5000.00 Rolls Royce sponsorship check, 1,038.54 student fees, 119.75 candy sales, 3881.12 spirit wear sales, 522.60 CG Education Foundation grant FTC only, and 928.67 CG Education Foundation grant FLL only). Expenditures this month 5387.00 to Go Express bus rental for Chesapeake Regional, 1740.03 robot parts, 383.00 team buttons, 290.00 t-shirts and 900.00 FTC team jerseys (paid for by their fees). The expected expenses still to come are for cost of hotel and team social for both Regional's.

Election Committee: Board has elected to go with a committee to oversee upcoming election. Board has nominated Ron Rose, Norma Scifres and Lisa Thielmeyer. Board Voted 3 yes and 1 absent 0 no. Committee will take nominations and over see election process. If you wish to run for RARPO board next year please see one of committee members to put your name on ballot.

<u>Team Jerseys</u>:FTC currently has a jersey type shirt for competitions so to unify appearance of team between Varsity and JV FRC would like to have the same type of shirt. It was put to the Board to approve such a purchase this year only. Donna motioned to spend the \$1887.00 to purchase team jersey's money will be coming out of building fund since that has been put on hold with money to be put back into account through use of a fundraiser (example extra candy sale). Rick seconded motion. Board Voted 3 yes and 1 absent (Mike did approve online through email). New students will get a jersey (money comes from student fee) and veteran students will be responsible for replacing lost or damaged jerseys.

Awards Banquet: Ziegler's are working on setting a date with the school to use the cafeteria. Team possibly might have to use outside facility Mr. Snodgrass will look into some outside locations. Seniors will be receiving awards. Committee needs a parent to coordinate gifts for seniors.

Tailgating Party: Tracy Gardner is coordinating tailgating party for Boilermaker Regional. Requesting \$10.00 per family to cover cost of items needed. Vaught's are donating hamburger. Team is in need of tables and canopies to set up at Boilermaker. Families need to bring own chairs to sit in.

<u>Competition Travel</u>: Team will be traveling by school bus to Boilermaker Regional on March 20-22 they will be staying at Comfort Suites Hotel. Rarpo will cover cost of social for this event (students only). Team will be having a tailgate party on Saturday of this event behind Armory. Mrs. Frampton will be taking personal days to drive team to Purdue. Team is in need of parent chaperones for this event.

Team will be traveling by charter bus (GoExpress) to Chesapeake Regional on April 3-5 they will be staying at Fairfield Inn Hotel. Team will be leaving at 8am from superintendent office.

Team will be traveling by charter bus (GoExpress) to Worlds on April 23-26 they will be staying at Comfort Inn provided they qualify.

Team will be competing at State Championship in Elkhart Indiana date TBA one day event with no overnight stay needed at this time. Team will be traveling by school bus.

Travel requirements students must meet grade requirements and turn in to Mr. Snodgrass/Mrs. Baxter sheet showing homework assignments (students are responsible for turning in all homework they will be missing). Medications must be given to Mrs. Baxter no student may keep meds with them (exception is epi pen but must have a Doctor note on file with school nurse allowing you to carry epi pen). Please fill out medical form informing Mrs. Baxter of any medical concerns also fill out if your son or daughter is allowed to receive pain relievers (Tylenol, naproxen, advil, etc....) Students who have dyed hair red must bring own towels to use and sleep on so team does not ruin hotel sheets and towels. Doors to students rooms are taped on outside of door at bed time and removed in morning to make sure students stay in their rooms at night.

Next Meeting April 17, 2014