

To the Parent Council:

After review of the volunteer forms and teacher request forms, I identified a few key focus areas for this year's efforts. I have divided them into categories, and submit them here for your consideration and review. *(From Ollie Prax-Lodge)*

IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS: 2022-2023

1. Field

Installation of turf or sod and irrigation system on back field with longevity being the overarching goal.

I have had a preliminary meeting with Mrs. Martinez on this, and will meet again with Mrs. Martinez, Mrs. Mize, and Mr. Johnston, a parent volunteer, on Wednesday. I hope to bring details regarding the proposal to PC on Thursday (11/3) and, with PC approval to move forward, to CC on 11/7. One specific piece of approval I'd seek in advance is to allow volunteers to seek underwriting for this project from the community with the understanding that their company or personal names would be displayed in a place of recognition for their support of this project. Mrs. Martinez gave her approval of the idea already.

2. Gardens

Overhaul, updating, etc of Gardens.

I had a preliminary discussion of this project with Miss Stina, who had some helpful insight. Nettie W. has done quite a bit of planning on this and is working with Mrs. Jirout. I will let Nettie report on this.

3. Classroom Specific Improvements

GS, CC, and Westbrook have all requested improvements to their classrooms.

In reviewing these requests, it appears GS and Westbrook's needs can likely be met just with a few parent volunteers. I will meet with teachers soon to obtain details. The CC request for an exterior door would, I believe, necessitate a permit which is beyond my scope. If we want to proceed with that project, I will ask school personnel to pursue that detail.

MAKING MONEY

1. Grant Writing

Sarah Bailey + volunteers

2. General Fundraising & Community Outreach

There are a lot of parent volunteers who mentioned they would like to help with fundraising or have said they have community contacts. I'd like permission to reach out to these folks for help with seeking underwriting of specific projects in exchange for a recognition plaque honoring their contribution. Perhaps the plaque could be made with student help (we have parent volunteer artists; or an engraving with woodshop help?) This would be more personal and cheaper than buying.

CELEBRATING & APPRECIATING STAFF & VOLUNTEERS

1. Fun event(s) to build community at ROCS

Permission sought to reach out to this parent to get something underway.

2. Teacher Appreciation

Snacks at FC meetings -- how do you feel about that, Faculty? We have a few parents happy to provide them for you.

3. Volunteer Appreciation

Continued discussion of how to recognize volunteers. Oak Leaf? Cycle through one class per week -- parents who have helped?

CONTINUED GOALS

Creation and publication of a volunteer opportunities calendar. Work days for specific projects.

QR code for logging hours?

QR code for parent survey?

Link on website for donations?

Resurrection of Venmo for donations?