

CCCK8 PTSA
General Membership Meeting Proposed Minutes
4/4/16

Present: Tami Lawson, Christine Neff, Jennifer Brown, MaryAnn McGinnis, Stephanie Rosario, Maria McVey, Laura Graves, Linda Duffy, Joanna Waggoner, Jody Dickson

Shared Meeting Time with C3AC

Deborah Guiducci, vice chair of the District Accountability Committee (DAC) visited and explained that the DAC exists by legislative statute and is an intermediary between the school Board and school accountability committees (SACs). She relayed information about DAC's goals and what she would like to see: improved communication, parent engagement, maintain school performance. DAC will be presenting the unified improvement plan to the Board on April 7. We can see more on the Board agenda on the district website, and we can also look at DAC minutes there.

Principal report

- The boiler had some problems.
- JB is finding out if Anthony will be coming back from his temporary position.
- 5-8 teacher position (Mr. Birch) was reduced to .5, not completely eliminated.
- Ms. Grosse is moving after the school year. Her position will be posted this week. It will probably be difficult to fill such a unique position.
- Ms. Linsacum is leaving at the end of the month. Her .5 clinic aid position will be posted immediately, and her .25 secretarial position will be decided later.
- Please look over the school calendar and give input for next year.
- Reminder that May 6 is a school day.
- JB is now Jennifer Livingston.
- The April/May calendar is packed as usual. The school-wide field trip is a proposed picnic and scavenger hunt in a park in Golden. Tie-dye day is being planned also.
- First day of PARCC testing went really well.

Teacher report (Judie Sievers): She described the teachers' work on Professional Learning Committees (PLCs). JB assigned the members of each of three teams. Ms. Sievers' team has been working on writing: how to help students be better writers, how to align vertically, define what students need to be able to do at specific levels. The PLCs have meeting norms and meet twice a month for two hours. PLCs are one of CCCK8's UIP goals. She also gave progress updates on the second UIP goal: the goal of learning goal setting. 5-6 had mostly reading goals and they have achieved them. 7-8 had digital goal and used online journaling. 5-6's individual reading goals turned into a competition between Team Jelly Bean and Team Roscoe. 32 kids read 60,000 pages!

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Officer Reports

- Structure and open positions: Please refer and think of people to recruit for 2017 officers
- Membership: 63
- Minutes from last meeting approved.

- Financial report: \$8586 balance. Alternative fundraiser doing well. One member suggested making the fundraiser/donation button more prominent on the PTSA website. It will soon be time to order dictionaries for continuation gifts. Jody will check with Ms. Grosse about that and 8th grade continuation. JB will check to see if school can collect fundraising for enrichment and classroom
- Enrichment: buses are all set for RMNP field trips, and they came in cheaper. Maria applied for a \$500 grant. Teachers are not spending all of their enrichment funds. K-2 went to Junie B. Jones play at the Arvada Center. 3rd grade is going to Manitou Springs. Ms. Norris requested some funds for the science and weather day at the Rockies. Since scheduling is so difficult with the American Mountaineering Center (idea from Birch/5-6), we should book now for next year. They will come up here for a 1.5 hour program.

Open Business

- Events (Laura). Silent Auction: Food and decorations are under control for silent auction/talent show night. Laura organized the storage shed (thank you!). Beth says we have 50 items for the auction. Jody will do one more reminder to drop items off at school and email Beth with details.
- Health and Wellness Night (Christine): Do we want to pack something else into the April/May calendar? Christine put out feelers for help and heard nothing back. Her ideas were container gardening, music with Rasch, cook-off, adventure running/obstacle course. Decision: we will not do H&W night this spring, and plan to do one next January. Also, still no interest in H&W chair, sadly. JB's idea is to do H&W night/week every other year because that gives 7-8 one chance to train and put on the Health Fair. Laura connected with GoFarm, a CSA/farm coop and invited Melanie to visit. Melanie gave us the basics of GoFarm and their school partnerships, and we discussed H&W night ideas. (Also: 30 families are needed to create a new CSA distribution site!)
- Next major event is teach appreciation first week of May.
- Goal progress: Eagle Eyes participation: 47 of 70 days. Additional resources: Joanna installed a forum on the website, where parents can share advice, tips, etc. Check it out and use it.

New Business

- School Supplies: Sheryl will coordinate with teachers and Tami will help. Jody has quotes from several vendors since the company we used before went out of business.