

CCCK8 PTSA Meeting Minutes
December 1, 2014

Present: Jody Dickson, Bridget Vancauwelaert, Tami Lawson, Jennifer Brown, Stephanie Rosario, Laura Graves, Maria McVey, Melissa Vince, Gwen Burak, Kristin Grosse, Joanna Waggoner

Officer Reports

- Volunteer/Classroom/Enrichment report (Maria): Oral interpretation program from Arvada Center coming December 8. Jody and Maria will work with Ms. Norris and Mr. Hernandez to plan an oral interpretation recital night. CCCIA is sponsoring this program with a \$774 donation. Writers in the School is a 10-week writing program through Colorado Humanities. We have it scheduled to start in January, but need to raise about \$5000 to cover the costs not paid by a grant from the NEA and a donation from United Power. We approved the PTSA to cover what is not raised by December 25 and apply for grants later and use silent auction profits to pay back.
- Health and Wellness (April): Hosting a potluck on December 10 to plan H&W night – January 26.
- Special Events/Teacher Appreciation (Laura Graves/Jennie Overmyer): Updates and clarifications about teacher appreciation lunch plans. Theme: 12 Courses of Christmas. Volunteer Spot is ready to request volunteers for school coverage and lunch contributions.
- Fundraising: There are still evergreens to sell and we'll add a post to the website.

Open Business

- We approved the proposed budget.
- Parent education math night, December 3: What can we do with the kids while the parents are learning? Recruit community volunteers or spouses to supervise board games or apps. Volunteer Spot will go out tomorrow 12/2.
- Goals: Brainstorm action items for goal #4 (parent/guardian groups). We will start with once a month, potluck, with a focus. First one will be January 8, with a focus on finishing science projects.

New Business

- Jody will ask Tami to review the bylaws again.
- Brainstorming decision-making matrix for solicitations. Ideas: \$ amounts, age groups/grades, number of students impacted, PTSA goals and mission alignment, last donation received, content of request, school goals/curriculum alignment, diversity by subject, longevity of investment/multi-year impact. Jody to start to draft a rubric.

Shared Meeting Time with C3AC (7:00 – 7:30 pm)

Teacher report

Kristin Grosse

- Egg drop week next week. Ties into “how to” writing, and process goes with Flow Map and Sequence Map. Teachers will work with groups of kids in two divisions: K-3 and 4-8. Drop day is December 16.
- Math night includes technology.
- Acuity B: With the roll-out of the new Acuity, B was optional/flexible and CCCK8 decided to administer it in order to measure progress. It consists of 4 tests for each grade lasting 1 hour each.
- Karen Goodman applied for a Kaiser Permanent Thriving Schools grant (\$5000) and got it, so will be implementing the All School Movement Program.

Principal's Report

- UIP final draft review has been canceled twice and rescheduled for December 4. UIP progress monitoring: on early release day, the teachers are grading writing prompt #2 and analyzing student progress through CR data. All teachers are meeting with JB to monitor progress of their IE goals.
- Student Council Rep – JB reports that 2nd grade won the Box Top challenge. Santa's Workshop (fundraiser for DC trip) is planned for the week of December 15.
- Temp building is closed due to mouse infestation.
- CMAS scores went home for grades 4, 5, 7, 8. The scores are low overall, but aligned with the district.
- Instructional Rounds #2 will be on December 11. The teacher presentation at the January meeting will be about this second round.

PTSA adjourned