



CCCK8 PTSA 2013 - 2014

General Membership Meeting Agenda

12/02/13

**In attendance: Jody D., Andrew S., Linda D., Jenifer B., Gwen B., Lisa Y., Joanna W., Beth D.,
Andrea M., Maria M., Melissa V. and Tami L.**

PTSA General Membership Meeting (7:00 – 8:00 pm)

7:00 – 7:05 Introductions/Welcome (*Jody*)
 - Approval of last month's notes & meeting agenda – minutes were approved.

7:05 – 7:15 Officer Reports
 - Structure & Open Positions (*Jody*) – *no discussion*
 - Membership Report (*Jody*) - *88 members. 33 male.*
 - Volunteer/Classroom/Enrichment Report (*Maria*)
 - Financial Report (*Stephanie*) - *\$2580.00 balance.*
 - Student Council/National Junior Honors Society
 - Distribution of Committee Reports
 o Health & Wellness Committee Report (*Christine*)
 o PBIS (*Melissa*)
 o After School (*Linda*)

We received 65 completed responses to the After-School Activity online parent survey conducted in Nov. 2013.
41 responses were grades K-4.
24 responses for grades 5-8.

24 responses for grades 5-8 expressed interest in the 9-week STEM program offered by the JeffCo Cooperative Extension. Dawn Gillespie is providing the funding from a donor. The class is tentatively scheduled to start in February on Tuesdays after school.

28 responses for grades K-4 expressed interest in a Beginner Spanish class, but the feedback I got from a school in Boulder and one in Denver is that it would be difficult to find a teacher to travel up here. Tami Lawson mentioned a Spanish teacher that teaches Spanish at Gilpin summer camp who might be an option.

25 responses from K-4 expressed interest in Lego Club. Steve Dickson is looking into a robotics assembly from IBM for the whole school, possibly in February. There are two parents who are willing to help with an after-school club.

There is a lot of interest for all grades in general exercise classes. Christine Neff is planning to hold classes on Wednesdays after school starting mid-January. Cariann Brown is also planning to continue offering a yoga class.

There is interest in all grades in painting, drawing, theater, and learning musical instruments. Several PTSA members mentioned for-profit groups that might offer programs – these are being researched.

For grades K-4 there is high interest in Tae Kwon Do and soccer. In December, we are offering a 3-week Tai Chi class on Thursdays for K-4.

For grades 5-8 there is high interest in Robotics and Space/Solar System. A Robotics class is being offered on Tuesday's after-school in December. If there is continued interest, we will schedule it for the new year.

3 parents offered to help with a crafts/sewing class and 2 offered to help with Cooking.

- Special Events (*Tricia*)
- Reflections (*Michele Page, Beth Hutchinson*)
- Male Engagement (*Sumi Ghosh*)
- Teacher Appreciation (*Courtney Ghosh/Stacey Yannett*)
- C3AC Report (*Melanie*)
- Fundraising (*Beth Deming*)
 - *Gift Card Fundraiser – The group discussed if this program was worth the time and money. We decided to forgo this program and invest our time into something new.*
 - *Spring Event – We need to form a committee. Jody, Beth and Gwen to meet to discuss a larger fundraising campaign*
- Time capsule (*Tami*)

Open Business

- 7:15 – 7:25
- Upcoming Events (*Tricia*)- *no discussion*
 - Papas & Pancakes
 - Teacher Appreciation
 - Parent Education Night

7:25 – 7:55 Purpose Work

As part of an upcoming Needs Assessment research effort, I'd like to spend some time understanding why PTSA is important enough to you to participate. We will go around the table and ask everyone to share why they do what they do for PTSA and the school, what they hope to gain from it both personally and for the school and our kids.

The group each took a turn and discussed why the PTSA is important to you and what you expect to gain from this experience. The three resounding factors were:

1. *Community/Social – being involved, meeting people*
2. *Appreciation/Support for teachers/staff*
3. *Awareness - knowing what is going on.*

7:55 – 8:00 New Business (*Jody*), Communications (*Jody*) - *no discussion*

- Facebook & potential website
- Mountain Messenger
- Biannual Report

8:00 pm Appreciation & Adjourn

National PTA Mission:

The overall purpose of PTA is...

“To make every child’s potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.

CCCK-8 PTSA Mission:

The purpose of the Coal Creek Canyon K-8 Parent Teacher Student Association (CCC K-8 PTSA) is to:

- foster communication between the home and the school
- provide opportunities for parents to play a part in their child’s education
- enhance the educational atmosphere and experience at CCC K-8

The PTSA does this by partnering with the CCC K-8 staff to organize parent classroom volunteers, sponsor assemblies, underwrite field trips, develop after-school programs, coordinate teacher appreciation activities, lead community events, and raise funds to make our school the best it can be.



2013 - 2014 PTSA Goals:

We challenge ourselves to:

- Offer enriched learning opportunities that complement the classroom curriculum. We commit to offering at least one enhancement opportunity to every grade level and in a variety of formats including field trips, assemblies, guest speakers and hands-on experiences. These opportunities offer our children different ways to learn what is being taught in the classroom and will help bring some new and diverse topics and experiences to our children.
- Increase male participation in our school's annual volunteer opportunities to 30 volunteers, a 30% increase from last year's male volunteers. When fathers are involved in school, children learn more, perform better in school, exhibit healthier behavior, have fewer discipline problems, are more likely to participate in extracurricular activities and enjoy school more.
- Launch the Three for Me program to expand our pool of volunteers for the school. Our goal is to have 100 commitments (60% of enrollment) and 90% fulfillment of those commitments. Volunteers expand our ability to meet the learning needs of our students and lighten the workload of the staff so they can focus on teaching! Once volunteers understand the variety of ways they can contribute to the school and have successful and meaningful experiences, then our school, staff and students will benefit from a diverse and deep volunteer pool throughout the school year.

CCC K-8 PTSA 2013-14 CALENDAR

December

12/2 – PTSA Meeting 6:30-8:00 pm
12/20 Holiday Room Parties & Teacher/Staff Holiday Luncheon

January

1/13 – PTSA Meeting 6:30-8:00 pm
1/24 – Health & Wellness Night (rescheduled from November)
Parent Education evening (possible topic: advocating for your kids or health/wellness)
Winter Assembly or Field Trip
After School Movie

February

2/3 – PTSA Meeting 6:30-8:00 pm
2/14 – Valentine's Day Room Parties 10:30 am K, 2:30 pm 1 – 8th grades
Open Gym Program

March

3/3 – PTSA Meeting 6:30-8:00 pm
3/17-3/21 – Parent/Teacher Conferences and Book Fair
3/19 – Teacher Appreciation Dinner
TCAP Testing support
Spring Assembly or Field Trip
PTSA Nominating Committee Formed

April

4/7 – PTSA Meeting 6:30-8:00 pm

Bring Your Family to School Week
Parent Education evening (possible topic: summer slide)
UnPlug Me Week (CCFC: 5/5 – 5/11)
Mother's Day/Graduation Gift Card Fundraiser
Day without Hate
PTSA Elections
Variety Show & Dinner

May

5/5 – PTSA Meeting 6:30-8:00 pm
Teacher Appreciation Week
Field Day
Volunteer Appreciation
Lakeside Night
Book Swap

July

4th of July parade/booths
Summer Officer & Committee Chair Meeting