

## CCCK-8 PTSA Meeting 10/16/17

In attendance: Joanna Waggoner, Laurie Zuress, Patricia Dohn, Tami Lawson, Heather McLaughlin, Lesa Clarkson, Laura Graves, Lena Benisch, Kathy Jenkins, Jason Moat, Jody Dickson

- September meeting minutes approved.
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade won membership drive so Ms. Norris will organize an escape room as their prize
- Trick-Treat-St update from Student Ambassador Paul Dickson:
  - 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade students will set up Haunted House and will also organize setting up lines for waiting for entry
  - Permission and information form will go home to 7/8 parents with questions about seizure, allergies, other health questions; also what supplies are needed; also whether parents will volunteer
- Other Trick-treat-st:
  - Laura will add *volunteers for haunted halls* to current volunteer sign-up list to help with set-up and clean-up
  - Student council will be in charge of candy that is donated
  - Last year Trick-Treat event: profit was \$825; \$1256 brought in from dinner and wrist bands; \$431 expenses. so far this year we have spent \$95 since so much is re-useable from last year.
  - Agree to comp dinner for 7/8 Haunted Hall student volunteers but no comp for Haunted Hall activities
- Membership (Lesa):
  - 46 current members. Goal for this year is 85 so need 35 more
  - Membership from Back-to-school Night is lower this year than in past years.
  - Will promote membership again at Trick or Treat Street.
  - Answers to question of “why would someone join PTSA”: membership helps support PTSA financially; membership encourages parent(s) involvement in school; membership puts weight to a parent’s voice in being heard by the administration
  - Patty suggested listing PTSA accomplishments so that potential members can see progress and reasons to support PTSA
- Financial report (Lesa: )approximately \$9,500 in bank; some funds have been allotted to enrichment but some money still left over from last year that we need to decide how to spend
- Reminder to use Amazon Smile and King Soopers cards! Spread the word!!!
- Need to remove former Business sponsors from website
- Evergreen Fundraiser: Tami has been in contact with company and is waiting to hear back. Idea to offer fewer options since we need to purchase a minimal number of any 1 option.

- Jody to investigate if school can print handouts for us. We may need to provide paper whenever we request the office staff print copies of flyers for Friday Folders.
- Community Expo is this Saturday. Members will get invited to join and there will be door prize. Laura will make peanut butter balls for snack. Jody will attend and will promote becoming a member and/or filling board positions.
- Eagle eyes update (Jason): dinner went well. Gained 3 new members. Jason will promote idea at Whispering Pines. Concern is that if volunteers show up, will they get direction and guidance from school staff in order to feel useful??
- Reviewed Proposed '17-'18 Goals. Proposed goals were approved.
  - Get at least 20 new volunteers in the Eagle Eyes program and have Eagle Eyes volunteers present at least 50 school days under the male participation program before the end of this school year. When men 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.
  - Increasing participation in PTSA through increased engagement of new people particularly those from the younger grades. We will acquire a minimum of 85 members, and we will average 10 attendees at our monthly meeting. We will engage 25 new volunteers outside of our core active group of the PTSA team and at least 14 of those new people will have students in K-4th grades. Engagement includes participation in meetings, work on specific projects or assumption of an official PTSA board or committee role. Through this increased participation, we will increase our capacity, lighten our individual workloads and welcome more diverse voices to our organization.
  - We will support the new Friends of Rachel Club with at least three of their monthly activities as part of the Rachel's Challenge program. In order to continue the efforts to help our students learn about kindness, empathy and compassion, the Club will be planning activities for the students to participate in. The goal is to help reduce bullying, exclusion and other inconsiderate behavior at the school. PTSA will maintain active communication with the Club in order to help them with their efforts in whatever way is needed. PTSA may also help identify activities that either the Club or PTSA/Eagle Eye volunteers could organize to support their efforts.
  - Raise enough funds to support the school in the purchase of 25 more Chromebook, an estimated expense of \$7500. The school has a goal to eventually have one Chromebook for every student (INSERT NUMBERS), so that students may become more proficient in the use of technology and have access to the learning resources available in the internet. The Chromebooks have proven to be more durable and effective compared to a laptop or an iPad. A specific fundraising goal will likely also increase contributions to our fundraising efforts.

- Help Please needs:
  - Poster making: Jason will contact canyon scrapbooking group
  - Bylaws project: Joanne volunteered to help
  - Community expo: does anyone want to join Jody this weekend?
  - Math curriculum night: still need to plan this
  
- Denver Open Media membership (Laura): for \$500/year they offer 2 classes and then free access to video eqpt and studio space. Ideas discussed included: is there student interest? Is there a community member who might want to champion this project? Is there another ccc community group who might want to take it on (needs to be 501c3)?.
  
- Kudos and Thank you!!! to:
  - Patty for Rachel's Challenge
  - Jason for Eagle eye event
  - Christine Neff for XC race (She raised almost \$300 for Health and Wellness and it was a great event overall!)
  - Sheryl Roberts for improving United Power's logo
  - Laura Olson and Jen Norris for helping with *Reflections*
  
- Money for Mr. Nixon: in need of Yamaha 300 keyboard portable—Education Nonprofit Corporation (in Golden) often will provide funds for Specials