

Columbia Middle School PTSO
Meeting Minutes
August 1st, 2011 from 6:05 pm till 7:50 pm

Present:

Steve Hamilton, Dave McHose, Jim Katschke, Cheryl Katschke, Jennifer LaRochelle, Robert Bruce, two CMS Students and Terry Foxworthy

Minutes:

Approval of minutes: Jennifer motioned and a student seconded. All approved.

Treasures Report:

Total \$8817.26

The budget will be presented after fundraising in August is completed.

Filed treasures report for audit.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Fall fundraiser:

1. Need five volunteers for prize day August 31 from 2:30 till 3:55
2. Arrangements made with Rock Solid services for scheduled events
 - a. August 12th Kick of assembly
 - b. August 13th Post cards Due and Duck Delivery
 - c. August 15th Internet Due and Duck Delivery
 - d. August 15th Balloon Splash Lunch
 - i. Volunteers needed
 - e. August 20th Pig Races at Lunch
 - i. Volunteers needed
 - f. August 20th Midsale Announcement
 - g. August 23rd Turn in of orders
 - h. August 26th Late Turn-in and Pig Races Final
 - i. Volunteers needed
 - i. August 30th Prize day for students and afternoon Party
 - i. Volunteers needed

Back to School Night:

1. August 8th from 6-8 pm
2. Three presentations in the commons
 - a. PTSO Table needed
 - b. Sign-Up Sheet

Apparel:

1. Jennifer LaRochelle is temporarily taking on apparel sales a new chair person is required.

Request for Funds:

1. A request to continue the gift cards from last year at \$2,000 for PRIDE was made and will be discussed after the fall fundraiser
2. Ideas about a PRIDE Concessions with ideas to come from the CMS students
3. Quarterly breakfast for students with threes and fours in effort on report cards
 - a. Request for four \$50.00 for students to be entered into a drawing and for a chance to win at quarterly breakfast
 - b. Request to have one grand prize for all students that qualify by having threes and fours for all four quarters during the school year
 - i. Possibly Kindle or Nook suggestions
4. Hat/Slipper day successful last year continued this year and possible other options

Principals Report/Accountability:

1. New law in Colorado prevents separate boy or girl lunches
 - a. Presents new issue in splitting lunch times suggested split last name A-L and M-Z
 - b. Rotate half way through year so each group gets early and late lunch times
2. Dress code
 - a. Discussing a uniform dress code because boundaries are being pushed
 - i. Three different color pants being considered
 - ii. Similar shirt or school apparel being considered
 - b. Concerns about new laws in our state also driving a need for enforced dress code
 - c. Hallway warnings for dress code violations
 - i. Three times receives a referral tracked by duplicate copies
 - ii. PRIDE Ambassadors having discussions with students
 - iii. Consistency concept among staff (tolerance levels)?
 1. Policy conversation
 2. Communication conversation
3. Cell Phone at CMS
 - a. Cell phone zone idea being discussed
 - i. Place within school where it is okay for a student to use the cell phone to contact parents. Especially when requesting to stay after school for homework club, teacher's assistance, tutoring, etc.
4. Music Department
 - a. New Instrument storage built in school over the summer.

Next meeting:

September 12th at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned:

7:50 p.m.