

Columbia Middle School PTSO
Meeting Minutes
November 8th, 2012 from 6:02 pm till 7:34 pm

Present:

Steve Hamilton, Jeff Hoff, Robert Bruce, Jim Katschke, Cheryl Katschke, Holly Irvine, Alissa Harris, Jennifer LaRochelle, Ginger Rigali, and Terry Foxworthy

Special Guests: Tammy Hutchison

Minutes:

Approval of minutes: Terry motioned and Steve seconded. All approved.

Treasures Report:

Total \$13,611.64

Treasures report filed for audit.

Increase in Pride funding allows 4 per quarter per grade level for work habits.

\$105 raised on old apparel during conferences.

Old Business:

Update on music cards \$1350 up front paid \$3345.00 and 50 cards left just shy of \$2000 raised and another \$500 available.

New Business:

Finalized budget complete

Vote completed on the increase to pride monies

Committee Chair Reports:

Apparel: sold off old stock and revised order form.

Hospitality: going well small miscommunication on conference dinner.

Request for Funds:

The life skills department is in need of a new refrigerator as current one not working properly. Tammy has looking into pricing between \$400 and \$600. Jennifer motioned to approve \$300 pending costs of refrigerator replacement, Jim seconded and all in favor.

Principals Report/Accountability:

1. Parent engagement at Columbia
 - a. Opportunities for parents and students to meet at school
 - b. Student leadership
 - c. Movie night
 - d. 6th, 7th and 8th evenings
 - e. Brainstorm events and strategies
 - i. Mom's coffee
 - ii. Family learning night

2. UIP – Unified Improvement Plan
 - a. Colorado department of education
 - i. <http://www.cde.state.co.us/>
 - b. Stop declining proficiency levels in 7th and 8th grade reading and math
 - c. Improve the median growth percentile in reading, writing, math, and language development.
 - d. Acuity testing
 - e. Improved strategies in Math
 - f. Technology growth
 - g. Better communication

Next meeting:

December 6th, at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned:

7:34 pm