

Columbia Middle School PTSO
Meeting Minutes
August 5, 2010 from 7:06 pm till 7:57 pm

Present:

Steve Hamilton, Carla Stonbraker, Alissa VonHolten, Helen Wilson, Jessica Hyatt, Kurtis Strange, Lance Marshall, Lynn Schock, and Terry Foxworthy

Announcements:

Possible change to PTSO President/CMS Apparel (Updates to come)
Feedback from sixth grade parents in appreciation of the warm reception and welcome the CMS.

Review Minutes of last Meeting:

Approval of minutes: Approved. Helen motioned and Steve approved.

Review of Treasures Report:

Checking account: \$3769.00
Savings account: \$3876.08
Total: \$7645.08

We will put together a budget for the 2010/11 school year after the Fall Fundraiser. Some possible spend will occur before the budget. The PRIDE funding of \$1000.00 was approved and is on the Treasures report for quarterly awards program. We will make a minor change to line item for WEB (Welcome Every Body) to include 6th grade for clarification of line item.

Treasures report filed for audit.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Construction is now complete – New carpet on main level. The heating and air conditioning completely rebuilt and centralized. September the heating will be turned on and allowed to balance for winter. Computerized signs for outside of Columbia have been installed on the East and South sides of the school. School is waiting on new signs for main office, entrance, parking lots and handicapped parking spots will be moved to North side of building where handicap access entrance is located. A new security system will be installed because of a grant with the Aurora Police department to include additional cameras, video and DVR equipment. New tack boards are still scheduled to be installed at the school. The blacktop is new on East side of the school. New circulation desk has been placed in the media center.

Possible suggestions for future request for funds:

1. Replacing basketball backboards
2. Replacing carpet around the pillars within the school that the PTSO paid for in 1986

Fall Fundraiser scheduled planning meeting for August 11th at 1:00pm. September start date will be decided and activities planned for prize day.

1. Prize day planned for September 20th, 10 am till 2:50 pm (5 parent volunteers needed)
2. Accounting day planned for September 17th
3. Cookie day delivery planned for September 30th at 1:00 pm (5 parent volunteers needed)
4. Top Sellers special program game truck to have ½ hour rotation for 3 hours
5. Back to School night planned for August 12th
 - a. PTSO Volunteer sign up for events
 - b. Apparel sales

Committee Chairs:

Ginger Regali – Continue Hospitality chair person
Jessica Hyatt – Accepted Apparel sales as chair person

Principle Report / Accountability:

First couple days of school have gone well. Mr. Hamilton will provide School Improvement Plan and CSAP scores at next PTSO meeting.

Requests for funds:

Lance Marshall and Lynn Schock made presentation to the PTSO for IPAD's technology request after district PE meeting. Can match technologies available to monitor students and provide immediate feedback to students on proper techniques. Make suggestions for improvements to students with video as they can connect via WIFI and projectors. This new technology will enable the PE teachers to provide class instruction, make comments in report cards and stay in alignment with state standards. Request for 2 IPAD's was made with estimates and minimum technology requirements.

Terry Foxworthy made motion to request research with district on IPAD capabilities, support with district pick list to include warranty. Helen Wilson seconded motion. Steve Hamilton will request information from district so we can vote on approval at next meeting.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

August 12 – Back to School

September 2 - Next PTSO meeting

Meeting Adjourned:

7:57 pm