

## **CMS PTO Meeting Minutes**

### **October 4, 2017**

**Call to Order:** 8:00 am

**In Attendance:** Cindy Schroeder, Kris Gibbs, Alicia Tao, April Hess, Sara Ruffner, Eva Gudbergsdottir, Vivi Fenwick, Stacy Meheen, Kristen Hunter, Rochelle Bartholomew, Blaise DiGirolamo, Dan Morgan

Approval of Meeting Minutes for September, 2017

**Financials/Budget:** Stacy & Kristen went over monies spent in September  
\$389.77 for Volgistics Volunteer Software  
\$917.94 for Green Hospitality Supplies (plates, forks & knives)  
\$30.09 for Climate & culture Program Awards  
\$151.62 for Other Activities/ Supplies (cougar bucks)  
\$3,000.00 for tools for Ukuleles

#### **Serve-a-thon Update:**

Cindy spoke about the success of the fundraiser, we raised \$92,000! This year there was not as much fall off for the 7th graders as prior years. Over 70% of the school participated. The ice cream for all was a real hit with the kids and the teachers. Only two more activities, tomorrow at the Gathering, Leadership will be presenting the items created and the checks for the money raised during the Serve-a-thon. Then on Friday, the bowling party for students that brought in \$250 and above. Still need 6th grade parents to chaperone for the bowling party.

#### **7th Grade End of Year Party:**

The last 2 years students have gone to Raging Waters, it is very popular however extremely expensive. After looking at different venues and expenses the PTO has decided to keep Raging Waters as the 7th Grade End of Year Party. We will probably have to increase the cost to the student by \$5.00. Since we had such a prosperous Serve-a-thon and the 7th grade class strongly contributed, we will continue the activity for this

year. As always, if a student can't afford the price, the PTO has scholarships available.

Motion to continue to have Raging Waters for 7th Grade End of Year Party, price increase to come for buses. **ALL APPROVED**

### **Ways and Means:**

1. Sarah Purshusky - \$899 for 4 percussion kits
2. Special Education - \$970 for furniture, wall shelves for storage space

\*Split with Dan Morgan's budget (\$485 for Spec Ed)

Kristen moved to approve both items, *ALL Approved*

### **Honor's Breakfast/Lunch- changes:**

Dan proposed getting rid of the honor's breakfast/lunch, and have an inclusive event for everyone. At the end of the first Trimester there would be a celebration with hot chocolate for all students with positive messages on the sleeves of cups and donuts. There would be a raffle with the possibility of winning gift cards. The end of the second trimester there would be ice cream sandwiches again for every student. We would have another raffle. Then in the Spring at the end of the third trimester there would be a taco lunch for everyone, no parents. There would be an increase in expenses for the change from \$5,000 to \$6,500.

We would still have the Honors Night for students earning a 3.5 GPA and above. Plaques and 3-year High Honors would still be awarded. Dan wants to look at inclusiveness with all kids. He wants to change the Honors Celebration to Community Building. **APPROVED**

### **Principal Report:**

Serve-a-thon went great! The ice cream party was a hit, the kids loved it and the teachers liked being able to be part of the celebration. Bowling Party on Friday, it's the most students ever.

Halloween Dance is Friday, October 27, 2017 from 6-8pm

Blaise DiGirolamo mentioned the desire for a new sound system for all events and activities. Our old system is so old you can't get replacement parts, and it sounds terrible. He is looking into a four speaker system with a microphone and a wireless adaptor that can be remotely controlled. This equipment would be a great investment for the future of CMS. Blaise said the cost would be around \$3,000, unanimous approval for Blaise to purchase sound system.

Meeting Adjourned 9:30am

Next meeting November 1, 2017 at 7:45am