

TTEA Minutes

Monday, February 10, 2014

Call to order & introductions – Lisa Crockett

Minutes from 1/13 approved

Principal Update – Michele Radke

- Thank you to the Daddy Daughter Dance committee and all of the hard work and time that was put into the event. The school was totally transformed for the night.
- It's assessment time with round 1 of the TCAPs this week. As part of the No Child Left Behind program we will start on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week with 3rd graders taking the reading portion. This test is done on the Scantron and will be followed up with more testing on 3/3 and 3/10.
- There are some changes with the testing. The test used to be called CSAP and then moved to TCAP for this year and next year and then will be changing again to CMAS. There is information on the TTE Website. Michele attended the CASE meeting for administrators across the state and some of that information is listed on the web site as well under the tab 21st Century Learners. You will find information about the state assessment, what it is and why its changing.
- The standardized tests are changing to match what students are learning. Two pieces of the tests will be online for 4th and 5th graders in April and there will be practice testing in march in order to work out any glitches there might be.
- There will be two parts to the online testing 1) critical thinking and 2) manipulation. So for example there might be the picture of a sun and the Earth and you need to physically move the Earth to show how it rotates. Therefore there are infinite answers.
- The school is working on making sure technology is there and the timing works out. Dawn Smith is tasked with ensuring it all goes smoothly.
- The goal is to move the reading and writing portion of the testing out to as close to then end of school as possible and then get a quick turnaround on results so they can be shared with the next year teacher. The tests are all on computers not iPads.
- We are looking to purchase some Chrome Books for the older kids to do research (4th and 5th grades).
- Some schools are protesting testing. The school district is trying to work with the state to do more ongoing, true assessment type of testing rather than all the state testing that is now required. They are in discussions with the CDE.
- Coloradoschoolgrades.com is a private company who receives the test scores for all schools. This year Timber Trail continued to score high in achievement and growth but the growth component was a bit lower than its been in the past. Because we are consistently a high scoring school, our grade moved to a B+. As a result, we have started forming advanced groups for math in 4th and 5th grade. Reading is the same thing.
- We are working on budgets for next year. The projection for this year was 556 students and we had 563.

- After we get our budget for next year and really dive into it, there will be consideration for 5 sections for 3rd grade.
- Enrollment for kindergarten for next year is at one full day and 2 half day classes but the numbers are increasing and there will probably be another full day class.
- We currently are not accepting open enrollment in 2nd or 4th grade right now due to class sizes. Both grades are at 28 to 30 per class.
- There is a thank you card hanging in the front office by Mrs. Vora's room for the parents from the staff for the gift giving program.

Treasurer's Report – Jacqueline Blaeser

- Current Balance is \$108,582.08
- Net Income is \$215.47
- The Daddy Daughter Dance brought in \$6,286.71 but not all expenses are in yet so it will probably drop to somewhere between \$5K and \$6K.

Move-a-thon – Brandi Tsuchimoto

- We need classroom liaisons for each class. We would like at least two per grade. The duties will be:
 - Get t-shirt sizes for each child
 - Go to classroom and do kick-off of the program (not doing an assembly this year)
 - Reconcile envelopes
 - Help with 3 prize days each week during the campaign

Volunteer Coordinator – Colleen Moar

- The book fair is the week of 4/14 and we need volunteers to work
- We need help with the invention convention on Friday 2/28 for the 4th and 5th graders. We need a judge from 9:30 to 2:00 with a lunch break.

Staff Appreciation Week and Room Parents – Whitney Shank

- Calling it staff appreciation week (SAW) now so that everyone realizes the whole awesome staff is recognized and not just the awesome teachers.
- Room parents – no Valentine parties this year but a lot of teachers have activities planned so check with your teacher and see if there is anything you can provide.
- Room parents, be on the look out for a list of things to be doing for your teachers during SAW.
- SAW is the week of 4/14 and coincides with the Book Fair.

King Soopers Cards – Carol Lail

- The January check from King Soopers was \$1,583.
- We have cards from quite a few vendors left so take a look at what is there and purchase!

Box Tops, Soup Labels and Milk Caps – Lisa Crockett

- Box tops are due on Friday Feb. 21.

- The numbers were down a little in the fall at \$860.
- \$50 for Milk Caps
- The winning class gets a pizza party.

Reading Program – Tiffany Dexter

- Logs are due for Feb. March and April – they will be going in the Thursday Folders.
- Next log due March 7

Spirit Wear – Renee Fichtl

- Orders will be taken through Feb. 20
- Americanoutfittersltd.com is the site to place order.
- The link will be added to the school web site.

Educational Enrichment & DI – Michelle Misuraca

- DI tournament on March 15

Dine & Dash – Jill Cook

- Pei Wei on Wed. Goes from 11 to close. You need a flyer.
- Can do online orders.
- The March D& D will be at MIYO in Castle Pines Village. It is a week long and starts on Saturday 3/15 and ends 3/21. They are open from 7 to 2 during the week and on weekends. Don't need flyer or to mention TTE. 10% of all sales for MIYO that week will go to the school.
- Whendy's said our D&D day was their busiest Wednesday ever and they want to do another. They wrote us a check for \$200.

Girls on the Run – Renee Ziegler/Lisa Crockett

- We had signups last Friday
- We have a few coaches but need some more. Coaches will be trained.
- The program is focused on self esteem and running

Classbook – Michelle Misuraca

- The due date for artwork is a little earlier this year on April 16.
- We will have a 6 week period for ordering and all ordering will happen through timbertrailparents.org web site.
- Most people in the room already know what a great web site we have and we should be utilizing it more.
- Thank you Kevin Warnke for the development and management of it. Kevin is great to work with!

Daddy Daughter Dance- Page Warnke

- The DDD was a great success.
- We brought in \$4,682 on raffle and flowers
- Next year the theme will likely be Denim & Diamonds

Open Positions 2014-15 – Lisa Crockett

- Mova-a-thon co-chair
- School Supplies – Stacey Kimberly volunteered
- Girls on the Run
- Kickball committee – Erika Greene will chair
- Kindie parent committee – chaired by Page Warnke
- King Soopers card promotion committee & chair
- Dine & Dash

If anyone is interested in a position but isn't sure they can make TTEA meetings, let us know and we can work that out.

Drawing for basket of goodies provided by ABC Fundraising:

- Jill Cook
- Page Warnke
- Stacey Kimberly
- Kimberly McCarthy
- Susan Liptak
- Renee Fichtl
- Allison Jones

In attendance:

Michelle Misuraca	Haverstick/Nelson
Jacqueline Blaeser	Paula King
Amy Ball	P. King/Smith
Colleen Moar	Cummings
Lisa Crockett	Haverstick/Smith
Tiffany Dexter	Haynes/Cummings
Brandi Tsuchimoto	Carpenter
Sarah Boeke	Greene/Kolibaba
Lisa Linn	Kolibaba/Alexander
Jade Goldfogel	Ackerman
Jill Cook	Ackerman/Smith
Page Warnke	Haverstick/Vora
Whitney Shank	Schade/Jester
Susan Liptak	P.King/Proctor
Renee Fichtl	Haverstick/Lenz/E. King
Lesley Pardew	Proctor/Ackerman
Allison Jones	Agster
Stacey Kimberly	Nelson/Bove
Melissa Coudeyras	Alexander
Carol Lail	Ward-Brown