

Timber Trail Educational Alliance
Meeting Minutes - 2 February 2018

Meeting called to order by Kimberly McCarthy

Welcome & Introductions

January Meeting minutes – motion to approve by Amanda Quam and Anna Miner

President's Report – Kimberly McCarthy

Thanks to Amy Neira for arranging latest Lunch Bunch – much appreciated by teachers. Suggestions made on how to organize better, also perhaps a dinner on Showcase evening? Also move away from Fridays so leftovers can be eaten too. Next one is Feb 23rd organized by Jill Alexander.

Thanks to Anna Miner and Kim Kreuger for organizing Jump Rope for Heart. Fundraising goal has been met.

Daddy Daughter Dance is Feb 24th at 6pm – tickets on sale now. Need volunteers (go to TTEA website to sign up) from 5pm-9pm on Friday (pizza provided). Also help during the actual dance from 5.45pm-9pm. Baskets due Feb 22nd – arrange pick up with Shannon Terry.

Pino's and The Ridge are taking dinner reservations and giving contribution back to the school.

Online auction goes live on Thursday 15th February at 4pm and ends at 8.15pm on evening of dance. Using 32auctions.com – have to register to bid, not browse. Masks will be on sale at the dance.

Next School Accountability Committee meeting will be February 28th at 6pm – all welcome – SAC is advisory committee, covers more of the dry information of running school. Including budget, District activities and staffing.

Book Fair will be week of April 23rd. On Thursday 26th April will be Moms and Donuts.

Had several grant requests from teachers, TTEA happy to give these to ensure our \$ are seen in the classrooms. Teachers very appreciative. Includes instructional materials and some requested books for the library. All items will belong to TTE.

Next year open positions include Co-President, Secretary and Website. Treasurer also has 1 year left so would be good to shadow Amanda this year.

No school Friday and Monday. Tuesday is TTEA evening meeting. Probably be last one, attendance has been low. Request to send TTEA minutes out again via the teachers.

Principal's Report – Michele Radke

Showcase evening was huge success. 5th grade recycled art project raised over \$1040 for charities. Will probably be an annual event.

The first Dress Swap for the Daddy Daughter Dance was a great success. They “swapped” around 30 dresses and sold masks – raised \$200.

There With Care drive for February is Kiss Germs Goodbye – items being collected include tissues and disinfecting wipes.

Click Eat Go the new lunch program is going well. The free day for those already signed up is Thursday. Around 25 lunches sold per day. While there is great customer service if you have issues ordering, there are issues around using the website, not the most user friendly. Collecting comments to send to DCSD.

Friday is PLC day – centered around literacy. Those 11 teachers who attended the CCIRA conference last week (thanks TTEA) have been asked to pass along what they learned.

Enrolment next year is down to 331 students (currently at 424). Due to area is built out, families get older and not conducive home prices for young families. Also 2 charter schools. Staffing will need to be evaluated. Incoming so far for Kindie is 22!

Treasurer's report – Amanda Quam – current cash balance is \$68,946.80

Class Book – Amy Ball

Orders happening now through March 16th. Please ask all parents to order or confirm they are not ordering. CANNOT take orders after 16th. So far only 84 books ordered for K-4 and 30+ for 5th. Only a couple more chances to take photos. Daddy Daughter Dance and this week the large CO map will be out for library time.

DDD Baskets and Community Events – Shannon Terry – Contact Shannon for basket pick up/drop off. Skating night was great but no idea how much we earned. Upcoming includes Smart Cow and Costa Vida.

Philanthropy – Kimberly McCarthy for Anna Spitzer

Still collecting items for February. Also volunteer training is on Thursday at 10am for Chelsea anyone else is welcome to join but will need to fill out application online first.

Box Tops & Community – Anna Mallinson - Box Top deadline is Thursday 15th February.

SAC Meeting is Feb 28th at 6pm. Attended RCHS SAC meeting last week – all feeder SAC's were invited. They discuss same issues we do – class size, enrolment, budget. Currently expecting 2260 students next year – up by 49. Legal max is 2300. Only way to cope with that many students is to reduce credits required to graduate (down to 24 from 25.5) so students do not have a full schedule and are not on campus full time. Discussed upcoming Bond/Mill levy request from DCSD. Community and parents have no idea how important it is this year that this pass. Will be another grass roots effort. Must explain to those without kids in DCSD why this matters (property values). Also discussed information on teenage circadian rhythms – they had had presentation in the past. Clearly later start time for teenagers works (see Cherry Creek Schools) but not going to upset parents with this schedule change when you need their vote in November. People must vote. – Suggested another joint SAC meeting in April.

FYI CPN Metro District could possibly be asking for a mill levy increase at their May election – information meeting tonight.

Literacy – Chelsea Nielsen

February reading prize is 6 MAC passes, also Chameleon Gymnastics coupons. March will be Chuck e Cheese coupons. After Spring Break will move to Race to Read. Option to do Reado next year, some logistics to work out.

King Soopers Cards – Kimberly McCarthy for Jill Alexander

Jill is now adding to email blasts the amount we raise each month, how much spent etc.

Open Comments – suggestions made that we have a rock on school property that can be rented out and painted to celebrate birthdays, events etc. Works successfully at other schools. TTEA will research.

Attendees:

Anna Mallinson

Chelsey Nielsen

Anna Miner

Kim Krueger

Jessica Hieber

Amy Neira

Shannon Terry

Nicole Koenig

Alexis Floyd

Amy Griffin

Hollan Wheeler

Kimberly McCarthy

Amy Ball

Amanda Quam