

## Timber Trail Educational Alliance Meeting Minutes

12<sup>th</sup> September 2016

Meeting called to order by Whitney Shank at 9.03am.

### Welcome & Introductions

Motion to approve August 2016 meeting minutes by Kimberly McCarthy; seconded by Whitney Shank – approved.

### Announcements & President's Report

Need a volunteer to coordinate Community Events such as Dine and Dash, Skate City, any fundraising offered by other stores/restaurants etc.

Sept 17<sup>th</sup> – 9am to 1pm – Paint Drive – All unused water based paint (no oil based paint/stain) will be collected and recycled appropriately. Asking for donations to TTE for doing this. Volunteers needed.

Move a Thon – Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> – part of funds raised to go to creating Maker Space in school – will wait until after the move a thon to make that donation.

Sept 29<sup>th</sup> – Dads and Donuts – 7.45-8.20 am outside school. Please RSVP, also need volunteers.

Thanks to Jill Cook and Erika Greene for organizing Mother Son Kickball tournament.

Thanks to Move a Thon committee especially Kimberly McCarthy and Jen Kliewer.

Thanks to Kelly Ann Foe for organizing Spirit Wear – should be going home with students by Friday.

Note that EVERY Tuesday is Spirit day – may be “prizes” if you’re spotted a round school wearing TTE gear!

### Principal's Report – Michele Radke

Dawn Smith (librarian and tech) emphasized importance of creating a Maker Space – this is NOT a play room! Educating teachers on how to use the room in conjunction with curriculum – if student needs to make a poster – how about a 3D poster? With lights? Moving parts? Would like to use money from Move a Thon to create a better filming experience – set up green screen, better lights etc. Also Go Pros and software license for film making.

Did receive approval from District to spend \$5000 from the tech budget (due to the fact all 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> graders are now 1:1 with chromebooks). Purchasing Little Bits sets and researching others. Also need consumables like duck tape, straws etc.

Paint Drive information has been sent to surrounding schools. Also HOA's locally have sent information out via email.

Senior Center construction has started. Communicates with their project manager weekly with updates on what to expect and any concerns.

Oct 1<sup>st</sup> is homecoming for RCHS. Usually come to TTE to do a “pep rally” – cheerleaders, band etc. all encouraged to attend homecoming parade (Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> starts at Redstone). Also invited TTE to take part with a float of some kind. Please contact Mrs Radke if interested in taking part.

Erin Kane, Interim Superintendent for Douglas County Schools visiting TTE on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Sept from 12-1.30pm. Will tour school then meet to discuss concerns/changes/issues.

Count day is 22<sup>nd</sup> September. Essential ALL students are present on this day. Head count of students determines money TTE gets from the District. Numbers are down overall this year, had budgeted for 530 students – currently at 497.

### **Treasurer's Report – Lisa Linn**

Money raised from King Soopers cards over the summer so far \$4200 – this time last year we had \$6200. Cards can be obtained from front office or Jill Alexander. Funds may be down due to various other competing organizations – can use them at any Kroger or City Market in the US. Can reload with credit card to get air miles, spend on gas, Starbucks – just not gift cards.

Balance currently \$23,000 – Douglas County Bylaws ask for balance not to go below \$30,000. We have expended some funds to pay for Move a Thon items in advance.

### **Volunteer Coordinator – Melanie Christensen**

Book Fair is Sept 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers needed, Sign Up Genius has been created – see TTEA website. Also for set up day on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September (no school that day). Theme is Pirates – if volunteers dress as pirates will receive gift card to use at book fair.

Move a Thon – sign up genius is open. Volunteers needed all day/half day. Will post schedule of when grades will be taking part so you can coordinate your time. Will also be some set up/clear up times needed.

Dads and Donuts – needs volunteers.

### **Move a Thon – Kimberly McCarthy & Jen Kliewer**

Need volunteers – sign up open online – about 40 slots needed to man stations, also all day/half day options as well as set up times.

First prize given out on Friday for those who have raised first \$5. Second round delivered Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>, deadline for donation 11.59pm night before.

Crazy hair day (for those who have raised \$25 or more) is Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September.

Please be patient with the number of emails sent out – every time an email reminder is sent, donations increase \$1,000 to \$2,000.

Please make sure BOTH WAIVERS have been signed and returned – they were in white envelope. Will chase parents down to make sure all kids can take part.

Snow cone and Limo ride will be after the Move a Thon.

### **Website Information – Amy Ball**

If you are responsible for a section on website or information that goes out in VTF please check that information is correct – let Amy know any changes.

### **Kickball – Erika Greene & Jill Cook**

Huge success on Friday despite weather. Next year will need several new parents to volunteer to organize as existing parents move to middle school. Main complaint is limited number of spots – do not have space or day light hours to be able to offer to everyone – this year did manage to accommodate all those on the wait list.

Parents need to note that EVERYONE is a volunteer, gives up their time freely to either spend months organizing the event or helping on the day. If you have comments or questions, please try to be polite when addressing these volunteers. Several parents were rude, unpleasant and disrespectful to those volunteers. Please try to set a better example to your children.

Kimberly McCarthy did take pictures on the day – if you would like a picture of you and/or your child please ask her.

### **Classbooks – Amy Ball**

Some classes still need either picture takers or designers. This year templates will be provided to make it easier. If you are attending an event please take pictures.

### **Room Parent Coordinator – Stacey Kimberly**

Volunteer meeting after this meeting at 10am.

### **Community Event**

Smart Cow – Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September ALL DAY – mention Timber Trail for us to receive \$.

### **Box Tops/Milk Caps – Anna Mallinson**

Deadline date changed to October 18<sup>th</sup>. Looking at changing way the “winner” is calculated to give ½ day kindie a chance.

### **Literacy – Chelsey Nielson**

Logs were sent out in Thursday folder. Can download them online. Due first week of October. Prizes to be won.

### **Enrichment – Patrick Dunn**

All programs under way – Girls on the Run starts today; Mad Science starts Tuesday; Chess club.

### **Open Committees**

Still need committee leaders for Daddy Daughter Dance and Community Events (Valerie Sutherland offered to do this).

### **Open Comments**

There has been increased vandalism and destruction of street lights in neighborhood surrounding school. Please be aware and report to DCSO any suspicious activity.

Meeting adjourned 10.10am. Next meeting October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Attendance**

Anna Mallinson

Chelsey Nielsen

Lisa Linn

Shanda Brabec

Melanie Christensen

Amy Ball

Laura Gooding

Kimberly McCarthy

Lesley Pardew

Page Warnke

Stacey Kimberly

Whitney Shank

Alicia Carpenter

Melissa Mangan

Jolene Richardson

Sherri Johnson

Anna Miner

Kim Krueger

Pam Fields

Nicole Koenig

Rajal Rajian

Janet Rausch

Jennifer Cox

Sarah Boeke

Shannon Terry

Andrea Lamb

Patrick Dunn

Lindsey Gertz

Tarah Kuna

Jaime Edwards

Kari Carrillo

Kim Perry

Stacie Stahl

Nicole Avis

Valerie Sutherland

Angela Jones