

TTEA Meeting Minutes – April 9th, 2018

Introductions

Approval of March minutes – Amanda Quam and Amy Ball approved.

Principal's Report – Michele Radke

A presentation on the funding issue within DCSD, same presentation will be given by RCHS principal at feeder school meeting on Monday at 7pm at RCHS.

Next year TTE will have a preschool. This is a separate service, all registration, payments etc will be handled by the District. Hopefully this will encourage those preschool students to enroll at TTE as Kindergartners.

Residents need to know that due to the State Finance Act, the dollars in your property tax do not come directly to the schools. The state collects those dollars, and redistributes them throughout the state. The District gets \$7389 per student from the state then the District gives TTE approx. \$4000 (*what was actual amount?*) per student.

Difference between a Mil Levy and a Bond is that mils are usually for people and bonds are for capital needs like bricks and buildings.

Average DCSD teacher salary is \$17,000 less than Cherry Creek teachers, and \$13,000 less than Littleton teachers. All other Districts have passed bonds/mil levy's in recent years, this means for example that Cherry Creek has an "excess" of \$100m EACH year. Their bond/mil levy passed due to high community involvement and door to door.

Presidents Report – Kimberly McCarthy and Melanie Christiansen

Book Fair is week of April 23rd. Set up will be Thursday 19th from 8am-12pm in the Library. The theme is dogs/puppies/cats – if you have any leftover party decorations please let Jill Alexander know.

It is also Staff Appreciation Week. Writing assignments will be sent home this week due back on 23rd April. Tags will be sent to Room Moms to print out. Anna Miner needs 3 double batches of Taco soup on 27th for teachers lunch.

19th April is Pot Luck Bingo – please go to TTEA website to sign up, emails have been sent out.

Next year Community Events will be organized by Paige Sanford – all ideas welcome.

Moms and Donuts is April 25th at 7.45 am – please note change in date.

Next TTEA meeting will be May 7th – includes volunteer breakfast and watching 5th grade dance.

Will also hold elections for Board positions – current candidates are Amanda Quam for Co-President; Jolene Richardson for Secretary; Amy Griffin for Treasurer and Amy Ball for Website Manager. Voting will be at May 7th meeting, where nominations will be taken from the floor.

Kindie orientation is 9th May; 5th graders leave for outdoor ed same day. Mrs Johnston is organizing a Field Day on 10th May – look out for volunteer sign ups.

Year End parties are starting to be scheduled. However, this year will also be a year end hot dog lunch on the last day of school. Parents invited and then can take students home afterwards. 5th graders will already be off site enjoying their year end party.

May 9th is official Bike/Walk to school day. Choir concert is 26th April at 6.30pm. Variety show is May 2nd.

On May 3^d at BRE there will be a screening of the movie Screenagers for all 5th grade parents. It is a documentary about social media and screen time in children.

Next There with Care drive will be sweet and salty snacks.

Jill Alexander would welcome someone to take over King Soopers cards.

Open Comments – Need a Battle of the Books volunteer for 3rd 4th and 5th graders.

Amanda Quam stated our current balance is \$93,145 but we have not paid the invoice for printing the year books.

Jolene Richardson asked if we had looked at other sources for a yearbook. Offered a suggestion for a new source.

Paige Sanford asked if there was any proof reading done of classbooks as last year as her daughters name was spelled incorrectly and a student was incorrectly placed in another class.

Attendees:

Anna Mallinson

Sophia Susavilla

Amy Griffin

Jolene Richardson

Anna Miner

Kim Krueger

Erika Greene

Jessica Hieber

Kelly Webb

Sherri Johnson

Christina Hulley

Paige Sanford

Chad Perry

Rebecca Jones

Andrea Lamb

Jill Alexander

Amy Ball

Kimberly McCarthy

Melanie Christiansen

Amanda Quam