

## Meeting Minutes Timber Trail PTO November 7, 2022 – TTE Library

**Introduction/President Update** – Lindsey welcomed the group and started the meeting off with an ice breaker. She thanked everyone for their help with the Timberwolf Trot. She shared that the event exceeded its goal twice. The check will be cut to the school next week for the purchase of the items fundraised for. Thanks to staff were shared: Dr. B for helping prepare the students for the course and Dr. Draper for making grade level run through signs with the kids.

Thank you to Jessica Woodward, Staff appreciation chair, for planning the conference week lunch and snack bar and thank you to all families that donated snacks.

**Principal Update** – Michele informed the group that the Trot funded 80 chrome books for the school. She also purchased math consumables, online software licenses, and library books. To celebrate the successful event, Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> will be an in-school assembly. It will include the original Cup Stacking inventors, and the students that participate in the after-school cup stacking group. There will also be a movie and popcorn.

Apple Awards are accepting nominations now. Douglas County recognizes multiple staff members and educators who are performing outstanding in their field. These awards are announced in March/April. Please feel free to nominate any teacher or staff member.

Don't forget that tomorrow is Election Day. Please support your teachers and school by voting yes on 5A and 5B.

**Website Update** – Leah mentioned that there is an Opportunity Grant open until November 30. She will also get with Michele to update the “Teacher’s Favorite” info before the holidays.

**Treasurer Update** – The updated budget is passed out. The Timberwolf Trot information has been added to the budget. The Berg House night hasn't been added, but it brought it a little over \$270.

**Volunteer Update** – There will be a Sign Up Genius sent out to Fourth Grade Families asking for lunch item donations for the staff Lunch Bunch on November 16<sup>th</sup>. Dawn mentioned that we also need volunteers in the library to shelve books. There will be two shifts of two Monday – Thursday coming up if you are available.

Spirit wear will be refreshed the second half of the school year.

Information on the Red Envelope program will come out in the next couple of weeks as well.

**Room Parents** – The Halloween Parties were a success. Cristina has been informed that some classrooms have only received 60% of their class funds from parents. A reminder will go out to assist the room parents so please make sure you contributed if you are able to.

**Community Events** – Next week will be another Dining for Dollars at Parry's Pizza in Castle Rock. This will be an all-day event so any food purchased (including take out) earns TTE 20%. The Board Local is sponsoring the school by giving back 10% on all charcuterie boards ordered in November and December. Please mention TTE and check them out at <https://www.theboardlocal.com/> for your holiday gatherings.

Clothes to Kids is currently collecting gently used clothes from toddler to adult sizes. Families are allowed to select from the donated clothing items every 4 months, and they are serving over 1,000 kids per month. While we have ongoing efforts to support them with any clothing donations, we will be holding a coat specific drive from November 14-November 18<sup>th</sup>. Coats can be dropped off in the carline, and there is a big need for coats going into the winter months.

Additional upcoming community service events include a potential Legacy Village holiday event, and both a February cereal drive and March food drive for The Backpack Society in Castle Rock. More information to come soon.

Mark your calendars for a community event at Main Event on April 20<sup>th</sup> from 4-7, with 20% of food, NA beverage, and game play coming back to TTE.

**Secretary** – Meeting minutes from October were distributed. No further revisions were offered, the minutes are approved as distributed. Dawn and Leah from the board second the motion. These will be available on the PTO's website.

**Buses** – There have been periodic bus cancellations due to lack of staff. The district is hopeful that if 5A passes, the increased pay of bus drivers will help prevent this problem.

**Yearbook** – We have photographers representing all classes. If you have pictures you'd like to include, please let your teacher know and they will send you a folder to upload the photos to.

**Questions:**

Q: What is the rule about Holiday gifting?

A: Dawn went over the Red Envelope program. We send out a flyer with every single staff member listed. Families can contribute as much or as little as a family would want. The oldest receives the red envelope. The dates will come out soon. The PTO also gifts a King Soopers card to all staff right before Thanksgiving as a little treat.

**Closing** – Thank you for coming. The next meeting will be December 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Attendees:**

Jana Krell (Secretary)

Jenna Wilson

Stephanie Clay

Cassandra Haney

Amy Griffin

Tara Harris

Jessica Woodard

Claire Bryant

Leah Enquist

Desiree Gentile (Treasurer)

Erin Ellis

Cristina Hulley (Room Parent Coordinator)

Victoria Ashcraft

Jennifer Barney

Craig Putnam

Dawn Medina (Volunteer Coordinator)

Lindsey Gertz (Co Pres)

Rebecca Jacobs

Emily Fera

Elyse Schelin

Taryn Bagrosky

Michele Radke (TTE Principal)