

Cherry View Elementary
PTO Meeting
Thursday, September 9, 2016

Meeting was called to order by President Curt Bursaw at 6.36pm.

Teacher & Parent Representation

No items from parents.

Paula Barry, CVE's Digital Literacy Specialist, shared changes about her role as a result of a 194 District decision. She will visit classrooms to help with IT issues. Students will still visit the media center to check out books. CVE now has 90 iPads and 90 Chromebooks for classroom use and 35 iPads and 35 Chromebooks for the media center.

Routine Business

Last month's minutes

Motion made – seconded – and approved.

Principal's report – see attached.

Treasurer's report – Angie reviewed the financial position of the PTO.

Target money has been set aside to provide teachers with their classroom grant of \$125 in August.

Motion made - seconded and approved that a time limit of September 30th is set for teachers to request their grant. Paul Helberg is to communicate this.

4th Grade Kindness Retreat will become a yearly event. Budget this year for next year's retreat. Budgeted revenue from Family Fun Night increased to \$20,000 at suggestion of FFN committee.

Budgeted revenue from the Walk-a-thon increased to \$18,000 at request of event committee.

Possible range of unallocated revenues/unallocated expenses to be in the range of \$6,000 - \$18,000.

Committee Reports

Volunteer Coordinator – Lindsey Shian reported that volunteer sign up was looking good. There are chairpersons for everything except possibly nature week (need to figure out budget issues to retain past chairs); volunteers are still needed for the end of year Talent Show.

Walk-a-thon update – Jenny Bring and Alison Zwart provided details about the walk-a-thon on September 30, 2.30-3.30pm. Save the date flyers will go home with students on September 9, will be attached to the CVE Panther email and posted on the CVE Facebook page.

Hy-Vee will donate water bottles for all students; Cub will donate \$25; and they are waiting to hear back from Fresh Thyme.

Directory update – Jeanne Laing to re-send an email with a link in, that people need to click on in order not to lose their directory account. It is possible to place ads in the directory, which could provide a source of income for the PTO.

New Business

- Movie ticket fundraiser is in progress. Flyers and tickets are expected the week of September 19th, all CVE has to do is send them home with students.
- CVE Community Night out September 30, 5-7pm. Removed carnival from the name. The committee is looking into acquiring four food trucks.
- PayPal – could use this as a method for donating towards the walk-a-thon. Other elementary schools in the district already use it. Walk-a-thon committee to work with Stephanie Mischnick to decide whether it is feasible to implement it for this years' event. Also discussing using PayPal for Family Fun Night.
- Spirit wear – Stephanie Mischnick is working with Thread & Inks to provide both CVE and Panther spirit wear. Plan is for sizing up at conferences and ordering online for delivery at school. 10% of profits will go to the CVE.

Meeting was adjourned at 8.43pm

Principal's Report
PTO Meeting
September 8, 2016

Things that are coming up:

- Great first three days of school! – Students are getting back into the routines. Many classrooms have been working on establishing expectations and relationship building activities. I have visited almost every classroom and instructional area. I will continue this year to schedule two days each week to be in classrooms coaching and assisting teachers and students. We are working a few minor tweaks in schedules these first few days.
- New Staff – We have a few new staff to welcome to the CVE family. Margarette Foley - 1st Grade, Nicole (Nikki) Dickenson - Art, Susan (Sue) McGill - Sp. Ed. A+ Program, David (Dave) Bechard - Band, Jennifer (Jenn) James - MRC, Jerome Freese - ELL, Chelsea Gates - Sp. Ed. Resource Teacher, Jody Makowski - Noon Supervisor/Clerical

- Assessment Days – We had a great turn out for our assessment days. For those students who were not able to attend, classroom teachers will be assessing those students throughout these first weeks of school.

- Breakfast Program – We will continue with the breakfast program. We are required to offer breakfast to all indergartners free of charge. Other students may eat breakfast for a fee. The cost for breakfast is \$1.25 for students and \$2.10 for adults. We are working on the logistics still. All students who wish to eat will go to the cafeteria right when the bell rings with their backpack and eat. They will receive a breakfast pass to get to class.

- Access Control System – Don't forget to bring Bring your driver's license or state issued ID when visiting CVE. You will be asked to swipe your ID and then be "buzzed" into the office. Please visit (enter the ACS website from LAPS page). You will need to still come into the office, pick up a CVE Visitor's lanyard and your sticker name badge. Once you are finished visiting/volunteering, please return your lanyard to the main office.

- Fire Drills and Lockdown Drills – We are required by law to complete five fire and lockdown drills and one severe weather (tornado) drill. We will have our first fire drill next week. We continue to monitor our safety and security procedures to make CVE the safest school for students, staff and families. We will conduct random lockdown drills. The procedures have changed slightly. Staff will direct their students to either hide or flee the building.

- Bus Safety / Evacuation Drill – We will conduct our annual bus safety and evacuation drill sometime during the month of September.

- MAP (Measure of Academic Progress) testing – Students in grades 2-5 will be taking the MAP testing has already begun with our 5th graders. We are giving a lot of beginning of the year assessments to establish learning goals for each student, grade level team and as a school as a whole.

- Picture Day – coming up this Friday, September 16, 2016.

- Enrollment – 530 Students.
 - Kindergarten= 75 (19)
 - 1 st Grade = 89 (22)
 - 2 nd Grade = 103 (26)
 - 3 rd Grade = 79 (26)
 - 4 th Grade = 94 (31)
 - 5 th Grade = 115 (29)

- Other items for discussion:
 - Family Fun Night Date?

- Back to School Night Family Night - Friday, September 30 - Time?

Questions or comments: