Bill Roberts PTA

Wednesday, September 10th 6:30pm

In-person and virtual (https://meet.google.com/zou-bojd-xys)

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Secretary:	Sara Porter billrobertssecretary@gmail.com

Upcoming events:

- 9/12 K-2 Meet and Greet
- 9/17 Dine and Donate at Sweet Cow
- 9/17 DEI Meeting
- 9/19 Coffee for Staff
- 9/19 Last Day to Report Reading for Book it Bobcats
- 9/21 Pickleball Middle School Fundraiser
- 9/23 5th Grade: Ameritown
- 9/23 Dine and Donate Mici's Italian
- 9/26 Book it Bobcats celebration

Principal Sanders:

- Thank you to beautification and compost committees
- Asked how many are new to PTA and K families (lots!)
- Teacher reps on PTA are Ms Markson (5th grade math) (she is present at meeting) and Ms Piazza (Kinder) will be part of the every 2 week PTA board & principal meeting

PTA Board Reports

- Introductions (see board members listed above) & goal this year is to keep meetings to a hard stop at 8:00p
- Budget update from treasurer, Ben M
    - PTA must have a budget per our bylaws, a requirement of Colorado PTA. We do it yearly, following fiancee board recs, and must be 2/3 approval vote for changes
    - The PTA gives a $170k check to school every year, and is very needed!
    - Auction budget is our biggest expense but also biggest income
    - Beautification is currently over budget, but new committee and lots of work needed, will amend towards end of year
    - PTA has $170k in our savings account, currently saving for extreme circumstances (i.e. drop in school funding from state/federal, COVID year, etc.)

- VOTE called to Approve Budget by Sara P, 2nd by Lisa L → Budget Approved by majority vote, no nays

Introduction of Committee Heads (see separate sheet for email addresses)

- **Safety**: Julia B, 1st meeting 9/11, grant for speed bumps? Bike safety work, feedback to Jason on community stuff, and also Text safety is priority
- **Teacher/Staff appreciation:** Laura S, coffee truck x5 Fridays this year, taking donations. Touch point for every staff member throughout the year - treat & sign signed by kids.
- **Volunteer Coordinator:** Selina M, help place people where needed
- **3rd party fundraisers:** Ashley K, Dine & Donates scheduled twice a month
- **Carnival:** Ashley K, family community event in the Spring, games, bounce house, treats, prizes
- **Winter Outreach:** Ashley K, big event in the winter, works with Food Panty
- **Fun Run:** Alex F, moved to the Spring and need a new co-chair, will do contest for child drawing to be on tshirts
- **PTA Website & Online sales/square site:** run by Nicole P
- **Thursday notes:** run by Cynde H
- **Art Support:** Michelle M & Amy M, work with Ms Mondragon, display art
- **New Family Welcome:** Sara P & Christy B, goal is be contact for new families, k-2 Meet&Greet this Friday night, reaching out to MS families as well
- **Library volunteers:** Lisa L, parents come in during child's weekly library visit
- **Food Pantry:** Suzi W, 12 current families, order couple shipments a year from Food Bank of the Rockies, food drive in Nov, Thanksgiving boxes, Adopt a family before winter break
- **DEI:** focus on inclusivity in our community and space for discussions, meet monthly, MS has several groups as well, Friendsgiving event, Resources provided for families in Thursday notes
- **Direct Giving:** Nicole N, new family lead
- **School Supplies:** Michelle M, made money this year, need to decide if use them again next year so possibly work out discount deal
- **Family Dance:** Michelle M, elementary students, families, dinner/snacks for purchase, want more people on the committee

Compost/Sustainability Update:

- Need volunteers to help during lunch! Would be great to expand to breakfast.
- Currently using Denver City composting which means we cannot compost our paper trays so those go in trash. We have reusable trays but dishwasher broken since covid and facilities staff moved around and Kitchen not run by DPS but third party vendor
- DPS, admin, and facilities all on board
- Green Team founded in MS

- DPS sustainability coming to school on Friday to give 10min presentation to each lunch group

Book-it-Bobcats Update:

- 65 donations, $4k+ already, can donate until 9/19
- 429 students registered/signed up (about average)
- Celebration day: super readers in morning, 2 Bronco cheerleaders, MS lunch, celebrate for those kids that have read all Friday afternoon

Beautification Committee Update:

- Have original plans for our grounds, had 2 community days over the summer, worked through numerous leaks in irrigation, pollinators and drought tolerant plants being put back in, shrubs etc being pruned too much so working with QC at DPS to correct this
- Upcoming: Fall cleanup & Spring cleanup, plan to have grades adopt areas, Jake, BR dad, has irrigation company and has/does work with Jasmine (facilities manager) on our grounds

Auction Update

- Tickets live tomorrow
- Sat 10/25/25 6-10:30p at Ellie Caulkins Opera house downtown DCPA
- Goal of auction is to raise the money that then the PTA give to Mr Sanders for:
  - Ensure low teacher to student ratios
  - Allow more paraprofessionals in classrooms
  - Employ literacy and math interventionist teachers
  - Continue to offer specials such as PE, art, drama, and music
  - Fund technology purchases, sports equipment, and items for our on-site garden
- Still working on acquisitions: looking for Broncos and Avs tickets, any items to donate
  - Have beer and wine donations secured but still looking for liquor distributor