

CBCS PTA Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, Oct 8, 2019

Town Hall

Call to order 8:48am

Speaker: Drew Brookhart, E.D. of Gunnison County Libraries

- History of the Gunnison Country Library
- CB Library was started in 1992
- 2008 the library split from Gunnison and became a district
- The Library wants PTA to support Issue 6A
- 1.9 million dollars would be added to the library budget if passed
- Taxes would increase \$130/yr for a million dollar home
- Right now libraries could be defunded at any time, Issue 6A would guarantee funding, 800 more books per year, 100% more online content, program budget would double, add 2 FTE children's programming, 5 day a week courier service from Gunnison to CB
- Current Gunnison county library budget is \$900,000. To compare, Basalt has a 1.85 million budget for same size/population

Questions asked : "Do you have a good feel for what the community want/needs or has that been internal?" Response: "Yes, very public, the feedback has been that we are underserving young adults, and need to expand children's programming."

- PTA agreed to support Issue 6A

Approval of September meeting minutes: Lacy Kaufmann made motion to approve, Peggy Schrammel seconded the motion.

Memory Project – Led by Secondary art teacher Ben McLoughlin

-Wants CBCS to again participate in memory project, cost is \$15 per student. 18 students at CBCS would participate.

- AP Art students are given a photograph of a child from a developing country then working from the photo they create a portrait. PTA supports this project.

Cinamon Gardiner (Treasurer)- no report

Kara Miller (Business Sponsorship)

- if you are a business sponsor and have not paid, we need payment ASAP.
- Recognition for sponsorships for the gala and website needs to be defined. What should this be, cost, perks, need a team to figure out how we will do this. Lacy Kaufmann will chair the meeting. Need Kara Miller to attend.

Katy Mattson (VP Elementary)

- Th or Fri (Oct 10/11th) work on giving tree, need sign for the giving tree, and will provide a link to PTA website. Jen Baker will help with graphic design.
- Katy will send email to room parents and ask them to send in teachers' wants/needs

Corrie White (Membership)

- Membership still low
- Corrie met with kinder families but they had mostly already signed up
- Staff membership is at 40%, goal is to get teachers to be at 80%
- Membership team plans to rally support from principals and attend staff meeting to encourage teachers to join PTA
- Current Membership numbers: 82 parent, 37 staff, 64 student
- '5 Simple Steps to Support Your School' Flyer will be printed and put in folders after break
- Katy Mattson will sent email about PTA renewal to room parents
- Corrie will send list to Jen Willett of the current members, so it can be cross referenced and we can analyze which grades/groups have not joined
- Will consider sending an email to those who haven't signed up

Peggy Schrammel spoke for Theresa Schaul who was not present (Gala)

- Still waiting on a band, and that will determine date. Probably wait till late March after hockey. Trying to find a date when the most people can come.
- Auction committee meets Th, Oct 10. Vision for the event will continue to be discussed.

Sumaya Abuhaidar spoke for Mary Haskell who was not present (SAC)

- Meets 1st Tuesday of the month, recently had their first meeting.
- They discussed a lot of new school staff turnover.
- Colorado has a super hard time finding teachers because of limited funding. Every other year our school has to file a 'unified improvement plan'. This is where everything that may need improvement is evaluated. This will be filed in the fall. This is available to the public.

Anyone who shows up has an equal voice.

Sumaya Abuhaidar (Legislative) - scroll to end of minutes to see flyer

- Sumaya needs us to be discussing this state measure. Post something on Facebook, for example “Colorado friends, vote yes on Prop CC, post link”
- You can copy and paste the link from CBCS PTA facebook page.
- How can we best get the word out? Email blast of the Prop CC info. Victoria Wise, suggested a video, upload it to our PTA Facebook page.

Shannon Haddaway (Choice Pass)

- Email Emily Mirza (Choice Pass Director) if your kid didn't get their photo taken:
emirza@gunnisoncounty.org
- Almost finished with all the sign-ups. If anyone missed the last date to sign up is Oct 17th and you must drive to GCSAPP Gunnison 3:30-6pm; email Emily before you go.
- Drug testing starts in high school and nicotine testing in middle school starts in November.
- Once a month testing. Mondays only.
- When they urinate in the cup there is a temperature gauge, if they add water, temperature changes, and it is considered a FAIL. Hopefully this will discourage students from trying to sabotage test results.
- Arcade Night at Fred Field, Oct 18, middle school 5-7:30pm, then open to all high schoolers, till 10:45pm, Saturday open to the public 6-9pm, date night adults only.
- Nov 20 at CBCS is Sex Ed program with Cindy Pierce (very entertaining). 8th grade and up, 4:30-5:30pm. Parent Dinner after from 6-8pm. Can PTA donate \$1000 for this talk? We need to discuss with Suzanne Hadley/Programs.
- Parent education dinner will be OCT 23 6-8pm in CB.

Jen Willett (Membership Toolkit)

- Need to utilize use social media to spread the word about signing up.
- Shannon Haddaway offered to run Instagram.
- Suggestion to create a CBCS PTA Facebook group. It will need an admin. Victoria Wise will email Michelle Gerber and they will get it organized.

Lauren Lange (Website)

- No report. All good. Lauren and Lacy Kaufmann working behind the scenes.

Lauren Dimon (Staff Appreciation)

- The September Staff Appreciation Luncheon was a success. Teachers were reminded to bring their own plates and most remembered.
- Feedback: teachers do not desire special reusable plates to be purchased for these meals.
- The request for food items only goes out to specific grades. If it is opened up to all grades more people can participate.

Davina Weitman and Bettina Hill, not present (Free Money)

- Parents and staff need to download the box top app as Box Tops for Education have gone digital. Check website for more info on Free Money:

Your Name Here (Reflections)

- We need a chairperson!
- Reflections works with the CBCS art department.
- Students submit art to PTA, CBCS PTA submits it to Colorado PTA
- Cinamon Gardiner will ask Krista Blaisdell about it.

Next meeting will be Nov 12

Meeting Adjourned 10:26am

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YES ON PROP CC

WHAT WILL PROP CC DO?

At a time when our education funding per student is lower than Mississippi and Alabama, passing Prop CC on Nov. 5th will give Colorado schools some much-needed resources.

Out-of-state billionaires have already funded our opposition. They want to take money away from our kids' education—but we won't let that happen.

Here's how it works:

- Prop CC will allow Colorado to keep all funds already collected under the current tax rates. Revenue collected above the current cap will be distributed straight into K-12 education (as well as higher ed and transportation)
- It won't eliminate Colorado's budget woes, but it's a great step forward—and a step that we'd be taking without raising taxes

Raise Taxes?	No	Follow TABOR?	Yes
Amend the Constitution?	No	Define how dollars will be spent?	Yes
Change any existing formulas?	No	Help students, teachers, schools, and communities?	YES

GOOD SCHOOLS. GOOD ROADS. GREAT STATE. PROP CC WILL PROTECT OUR COLORADO WAY OF LIFE.

Colorado isn't a poor state. Wouldn't it be great if it stopped acting like one?

- Nearly 60% of school districts across the state have four-day school weeks
- Despite our booming economy, Colorado is the worst in the U.S. in wage competitiveness for teachers
- Colorado needs to spend \$2,700 MORE per student just to meet the national average
- We owe our schools more than \$8 billion that was taken and never replaced during the Great Recession

Here's why education funding is so bad in Colorado:

Because our tax code is in our constitution, we can't access the funding we need without a vote of the people. Voting YES on Prop CC will help untangle Colorado's broken tax system.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Join us at www.publiceducationvoter.org or contact Hazel Gibson at hazel@greateducation.org

VOTE ON NOV. 5, 2019

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