

# Meeting Minutes

Columbia Elementary PTA Meeting Minutes

11/14/2025

In attendance: Angie Drope, Jessica Dahl, Krista Hirsbrunner, Danielle Hembury, Keith Klein, Katie Crandall

Start: 2:35pm

Minutes for October posted on Facebook and website

Treasurer- Katie reviewed bank statements

Membership report - membership the same

## Items of Discussion:

- Jessica L talked with Tori about student council shirts, she is coordinating with her sister on producing shirts. PTA will pay for them next year, it would be beneficial to plan for it as a line item in the budget.
- Possible increase in field trip budget next year to accommodate student council field trip.
- Jessica D will follow up with Story Cupboard on finances from the book fair.
- Jessica D hasn't heard from Kara about turnout from Reflections, Jessica D suggested doing something bigger this year to acknowledge participants. Katie will get PTA the date for the December awards assembly so we could mention them there and give them a prize there. A reevaluation of how to go about reflections next year is up for discussions and suggestions.
- The school carnival was cancelled on October 16th because of weather, everyone agrees to reschedule for the spring preferably late April or May. Best dates would be May 6,13,14.
- Fundraiser wrap up
  - Superstar ice cream party went well, the kids enjoyed playing games with Mr. Klein after having ice cream.
  - Walton and Byrd still need to pick date for minute to win it parties - Katie called them both down and reminded them during the meeting.
  - Cashier checks were issued to all teacher who met classroom goal, they were given 10% of the goal amount.
- Classic skate night went well, discussions of setting up a welcome table for April skate night.
- Halloween photobooth went well, Klein commented that it was good PR. Good turn out for photo's.
- In-N-Out spirit night is on Monday, Flyers were distributed today. Hats and stickers will be distributed - teachers need to be reminded to make sure they go out Monday. Klein will mention during announcements, and wear a hat during lunch and remind students then.
- Literacy/Math night - PTA table with membership info and books from PTA closet. Volunteers were requested but details weren't given until today- 6 volunteers 4:30-5 in cafeteria, Danielle will create and send out sign up genius this weekend.
- Cookies and milk with Santa
  - December 2nd 5:30-7:30

- Mr. Collings scheduled to be santa - does not want students sitting on his lap, PTA will set up scene to accommodate this.

#### Future Business:

- Mike Hamilton's " Magic with a Message " - Scheduled For Friday, January 23rd at 9:30 but he will be there at 7 to set up. Orchestra needs to be moved to after school, emails sent out about that during meeting. Mike will reach out closer to discuss any other details.
- Nominating Committee needs to be formed - Positions that need to be filled: President elect and Secretary. Someone will contact Julia to see if she is willing to head committee again, Jessica will send out email to PTA members about it, Jessica D was given a list of names of people who may be interested, Goal of having things in place by December 12th
- Angie brought up Awards Committee and how to go about doing that, Jessica D will look into it and let everyone know.

#### Principal's Minutes:

- Mr. Klein heard from a parent that there hasn't been enough clarity/communication on volunteer opportunities, mainly for educational volunteer opportunities. Danielle gave a list of ways that the PTA has tried communicating to families in the past two years, and said that the PTA is open to suggestions on how to increase communication but that the PTA is out of ideas on how to get messages across clearer.

Next meeting: December 12th, 2:30

End: 3:32