

Meeting Minutes

Columbia Elementary PTA Meeting Minutes

09/13/2025

In attendance: Jessica Landes, Kara Spjute, Angie Drope, Jessica Dahl, Krista Hirsbrunner, Sharol Stapley, Danielle Hembury, Keith Klein, Katie Crandall

Start: 2:30pm

Minutes for May posted on Facebook

Jessica needs to coordinate with Mackenzie Ferrin to access online banking

Membership report - 52 members, up from 32 at end of last year

Items of Discussion:

- Vision screening - 6 of 8 volunteers came, nurses helped get through all of the screenings. Thank you to the volunteers who helped!
- Spirit wear- 62 orders, 105 items ordered. Similar response to what was ordered last year (52 orders, 100ish shirts ordered), the PTA earns no money from orders.
- 2025-2026 budget proposal given by Jessica Landes, questions answered everyone in agreement. Jessica will look into posting, voting, and approval procedures.
- Fundraiser -
 - Amount raised so far - \$6,400
 - 21% of students registered, Jessica will help coordinate support for teachers if they are having issues registering
 - Donations accepted through Friday, September 26
 - End of Fundraiser assembly - October 2nd, issue with Angie Drope's class going to in and out during time needed for fundraiser, she will figure out best route to be there for fundraiser
 - Top earner prizes still being sorted out - Angie will talk to Jenna and Jordan Edu, Sharol suggested shareway for prizes, suggestion of going into places and asking about prizes instead of emails. Carnival passes for prizes?
 - Top 4 earners from each grade will get to do pieing
 - 7 teachers will be pied, will be announced after the 26th
 - Debate over amount of tokens to give to teachers, and which staff to give them to. 5 or 10 tokens possibility. Nothing decided will discuss further.
 - Everyone agreed to pull top earners aside before assembly and let them pick prizes then.
 - PTA will prep stage area with drop cloths on Oct 1st.
- Picture day - September 18th, 4 volunteers needed and slots are filled, with backup if needed.
- PTC dinner - Tuesday, September 30th - Dinner will start promptly at 5, need to plan on having it ready at 4:30 - Jessica is still looking into catering from Cafe Rio.

- Book Fair - September 30th - October 1st
 - Monday - Set up
 - Tuesday - Walk through
 - Wednesday - Open during lunch but kids must show money, door guard - 4-6 minutes for lower grades/5 for older - Angie offered to help with this and let her student teacher lead her class
 - 2 volunteers needed for each shift - Day/Night
 - Danielle will create flier.
- Reflections - Handled by Kara, Theme - I belong, Tuesday October 7th for craft night. Must remember to unlock doors! 1 person needed to help Kara, spanish translation would be great. I suggested asking Joann about translator boxes. End date for Reflections is October 17th.
- Miss Holly did not attend for community culture topic.

Future Business:

- Hearing screening - October 8th
 - 3-4 volunteers from 9-12 then 12:30-3pm.
 - Danielle already has sign ups ready, will send out closer to date.
- Room Parent Meeting October 10th
 - Location still TBD?
 - Time 1-1:30pm
 - 4 room parents still needed- Burns, Gabbert, Alvarado, Rugg. Angie will reach out to them to see if they want room parents, and if they'd like the flier to resend.
- Angie will post minutes to school website in future for those not on Facebook.
- Carnival on October 16th
 - 4:30-7:00pm
 - Contracts signed, inflatables will be at field day.
 - Jack and Sally not available for photos, other options in PTA closet.

Principal's Minutes :

- Kieth and Katie had to leave for other meeting before getting to Principal's Minutes.

End: 3:40pm