



- Welcome

- Winterfest Party (Kathy, Melissa, Hap)
 - Snacks update...current counts:
 - ~880 chips
 - ~783 tree cakes
 - 300 brownies
 - Lots of cookies
 - Lots of fruit snacks
 - = ~3,500 snacks
 - We have ~1,700 students
 - Volunteer sign-up (thanks, Hap!)
 - Gift card for Mr. Aiello – (Melissa H. purchased)
 - Inflatables have been ordered
 - Staff to validate volunteers are CMS-approved
 - Krissy ordering handwarmers
 - Day of the event supplies: volunteer stickers, tables, sharpies, volunteer sign-in sheet, hand-warmers.
 - Reminder to include in the announcement that all students should bring their filled water bottled down to the field
 - Jamaica donations for students with family & friends impacted
 - Very few donations thus far
 - Tie in donation with the Winter Party

- The Winter Party has historically had a charity component
 - Ask students to donate an item from the list provided by the Jamaican families the day of the Winter Party
 - We'll have bins or make collection piles near the scanners by the doors so students can drop off their donation on their way into school
- Pie in the face coordination & also share in Bronco Times (Lisa)
 - Melissa M. bringing ponchos, whipped cream, paper plates
 - Consider bringing goggles
 - Bring a table to keep students on the other side of it, and can set pies on the table
 - Mr. Aiello can make an announcement when it is time to do the pie in the face:
 - 10:30am for 6th grade
 - 1pm for 7th grade
 - 3pm for 8th grade
- Communications – Krissy coordinating with Lisa for updates this week
 - Bronco Times on Sunday about Winter Fest party: final date for treat donation is Monday, 12/15, volunteers
 - Message to parents about party on Tuesday (wear warm clothes, bring Jamaica donation, bring water bottle to school, pie in the face from fundraiser)
- Fundraising Updates (Melissa McLead)
 - Cards for the winners...need to give out next week
 - Gift cards....
 - 7 Amazon Gift Cards: \$25 Melissa H. has purchased these cards (5 dropped off and 2 on the way)

- 5 Chick-fil-e cards: \$25 Mr. Bissinger gets these cards (school money)
 - 5 tardy passes: Mr. Bissinger
- Dining Night Out
 - Earned \$500 from first Dining Night Out from Zapata's
 - Next Dining Out night will be in February
- School Support (Kathy Epperson)
 - Windows covered at the front of the school, as well as the stairwell
 - Was getting measurements using company from Indiana....a lot of additional work to get measurements via phone, etc. so not moving forward with this company
 - Jessica Wolf's company uses this company to wrap cars for advertising...coming out this Friday.
 - JV Washam and Barnette recently did windows, so could consider using their supplier as well.
 - Consider Artisan store on Hwy 115....could put a little sign to recognize helping to donate
 - Ms. Dixon asking if we can buy the Media Center a vacuum.
 - We could use her \$100 reimbursement to help purchase
 - Aim for \$250 for cost for vacuum
 - Approved by the board during the meeting
- Teacher Appreciation party on 12/17
 - Eleven Lakes
 - Gift cards for teachers....students dropping off at the front office....give to Kathy

- Honor Roll – February 6th will be the recognition event.
 - Krissy will be working on food, etc. in January
- International Night – Keiko Wray: February 12th
 - PTSO will reimburse families up to \$50 for each country represented which will help offset the cost of food, supplies, etc.
 - Sabrina to provide a cut-off date for reimbursement (likely spring break)
- Budget Review (Sabrina Huffman)
 - See Treasurer's Report
 - Need to remind teachers to submit their reimbursements to Sabrina
 - Start transitioning after the new year
 - Sabrina to check that previous PTSO debit cards have been cancelled
 - School Store...was going to try to open before the holidays.
 - Sold a few items during the last Character Ed breakfast
 - Tchotchke sold really well around Valentine's Day
 - Likely will need an order to get some items in stock
- Principal Updates (Mr. Bissinger)
 - 5th grade students will be touring the Bailey Middle School in late January. Each elementary school gets their own day.
 - Kathy will ensure we have volunteers helping with scanners these days
 - Feb. 3rd at 6pm – Parent Night for 5th grade Cornelius & Davidson
 - Krissy and/or Kathy to present about PTSO

- Feb. 10th at 6pm – Parent Night for JV Washam and Huntersville
 - Krissy and/or Kathy to present about PTSO
- Tours for prospective students will start in January – put on social media Lisa
- National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) will now have 183 students...numbers way up.
 - 10 subcommittees
 - Fundraising committee
 - Beautification committee
 - Etc.
- 7th Grade: “Amazing Shake” Ron Clark Academy (the Gauntlet) out of Atlanta. New concept. Teaching students life skills about how to present themselves to others. 60-90 second elevator pitch. Will compete against other CMS students. Top 10 will go to district competition. Handful of students from CMS will go to the global competition in Atlanta.
- Almost time to work on scheduling for next year
- January 9th or 12th, 8th graders will be touring to Hough High School.

- Key Dates

- Winter Fest Party – Thursday, December 18th *(during the school day)*
 - Winter Fest Party Rain Date – Friday, December 19th *(during the school day)*
- International Night – February 12th *(evening)*
- 6th grade Glow Dance – February 27th *(evening)*
- 7th & 8th grade dance (fundraiser which is managed and run by the dance/choir/drama booster club) - April 24th *(evening)*

- End of Year Parties on the field:
 - 6th / 7th grade – June 9th (*during the school day with inflatables*)
 - 8th grade – June 8th (*during the school day – like a “field day”*)
- Next PTSO Meeting: *Wednesday, January 14th*, 5pm in the Media Center
- Torrance & Knox....displaying the Hough High School Football State Championship (Varsity).

Respectfully submitted by Melissa Hart, PTSO secretary