



PTO MINUTES

Trailblazer Elementary

May 10, 2022 4:30pm | Meeting called to order by Kim Gayeski, PTO President

1. In Attendance

- Katie Sodaro-Jensen, Principal
- Christine Pommé, Assistant Principal
- PTO Board Members

2. Treasurer's Report

- A couple deposits received
- Need to approve transfers
 - **TOTAL TRANSFERS - \$879.28 (VOTED, APPROVED)**

3. Principal's Update

- Teachers and staff were extremely happy and thankful for the Teacher Appreciation Week events and gifts
- Shared iReady Data
 - The growth from the beginning of the year (in reading and math) to the end of the year, shows substantial growth in all grades.
 - Every time an iReady diagnostic is done, all students are looked at and determined who needs what
 - **Trailblazer Elementary is #1 in growth for math and reading in all of Highlands Ranch**
 - Kayla asked if this information is something that we can share with multiple platforms to assist in attracting new potential students
- CMAS results won't be received until end of July 2022/beginning of August 2022

4. Grant Request

- Susan Hershman (Art teacher)
 - Requesting basic consumable art supplies that exceeds school budget for the 2022/2023 school year – Requested \$800.00
 - **\$400.00 – VOTED, APPROVED***
 - ***The remaining \$400.00 will be reassessed around October**
- Andrea Marley (Music teacher)
 - Drumsticks for bucket drumming, K-6th (300 Students)
 - **\$86.00 – VOTED, APPROVED**

5. Spirit Rock

- Kathy is looking for someone to run the spirit rock
 - Shelby Sipe has been named to take this on
- There have been issues with tracking funds received for payments on the spirit rock

- There has never been a line items on the treasurer report of receiving funds for spirit rock
 - We need to look into what the protocol is for spirit rock rental and where specifically those funds go.

6. TBE Garden Update

- Kathleen was at the garden on Friday, and everything is looking good and projected to produce a lot of crops
- Have spent \$600.00 total (including recent sprinkler repair invoice)

7. Restaurant Night

- Kathleen talked about which nights were most successful (Papa Murphy's) and which didn't go as well (Mod Market)

8. Spiritwear & PTO Website

- Megan asked if Lorrie received any funds for spiritwear and will follow up with her on that

9. Teacher Appreciation Week

- Kathleen mentioned that preschool teachers feel very separate from the TBE teachers even though PTO provided teacher appreciation gifts for them as well.

10. Continuation Ceremonies

- PTO has purchased goodie bags for the 6th graders
- Kindergarten graduation is after the 6th grade graduation
 - Anne Dawson asked if PTO could provide drinks for the graduations (approx. 100 people)
 - Will check in at the end of the week to see where everything is at with cookies and cupcakes (being provided by PTO)

11. General Discussion Forum

- Kayla said at 2022/2023 Back to School night we/PTO Board can make an introduction and provide information on what volunteer opportunities are available
- Kayla has booked all event dates for next year
 - Hannah Thorpe will be assisting the Back to School BBQ
- We need to officially vote on the Back to School Movie Night
 - Kayla booked this with Backcountry in September 2022
 - **\$400.00 – VOTED, APPROVED**
 - We will book \$25.00/car and it's set to make \$725.00
 - Limited to 45 cars
 - We have the spiritwear blankets to sell
- Kayla talked about cleaning out the shed (over the summer) and taking inventory on what's in there
 - For the Back to School Bash we are talking about renting carnival games vs. using the ones we have in the shed
- Kathy Goldberg mentioned the printing relationship with Staples may not be there for this upcoming year
 - To help offset printing costs Kathy recommended we print black and white on color paper vs. printing in color
- Kayla asked what needs to be done for the Fun Run over the summer and Katie said someone will contact her over the summer to discuss and provide a checklist