

Chinook Trail Middle School PTSA Meeting

Monday, October 16, 2023 - 6:00PM

CTMS Curiosity Center

6:00pm - 6:10pm	<p>Welcome - Erin Stevens Call to order: 6:06 PM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Presentation: Becky Allan. Ms. Allan gave a presentation at the beginning of the general PTSA meeting concerning the upcoming MLO.
6:10pm - 6:15pm	<p>Treasurer's Report - Monica Henry</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ September Report<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ In September there was income of \$150.99 from membership dues; \$22.00 from donations; \$57.38 from dining Panera dining out fundraiser; \$1,007.25 from the King Soopers fundraiser; and \$4,677.83 from spirit wear sales■ September expenses included: \$296.42 for staff appreciation; \$1,573.60 for spirit wear; \$215.00 in license and insurance; \$146.95 in sales tax; and \$321.73 in website expense.
6:15pm - 6:20pm	<p>Membership Report- Alyssa Drew</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ We are still ironing out some issues with the website, but we are currently showing that we have 56 members.
6:20pm - 6:25pm	<p>Fundraising Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Spirit Wear: <i>See September Treasurer's Report</i>○ Dining Out: <i>See September Treasurer's Report</i> <p>Ways You Can Support CTMS PTSA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ King Soopers○ American Furniture Warehouse
6:25pm - 6:30pm	<p>Upcoming Events & Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ CTMS PTSA General Membership Meeting – December 4, 2023 @ 6:00PM<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Note: There will NOT be a November General Membership Meeting
6:30pm - 6:35pm	<p>New Business</p>

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- Library Mural
 - Erin spoke with the muralist and was told that the kids will not be able to interact with the mural for safety reasons. However, she would be more than happy to let them watch the process, answer any of their questions, and let them work on their own mural along side her on another wall in the library.
- Taking Flight
 - Launched Taking Flight, our direct ask campaign, at the meeting
 - The PTSA purchased reusable signs for the fundraiser so they can be used future years. The signs will be placed around the school starting after the meeting.
 - The direct ask is for everyone to consider donating, if every student donated \$10 the PTSA could fund everything they want to fund next year.
 - The PTSA wants to continue being able to provide money for teacher grants, teacher appreciation, staff appreciation, school projects. A possible project for next year was mentioned- bleachers for the softball field. It was also mentioned that all the other sports have bleachers at CTMS and that there is room for them behind home plate on our field.
 - The library mural funding came from funds saved by the PTSA for the last 2 years.
- Bark Social Media Partnership
 - Social media safety has been a recent topic of discussion on our school social media. Some of our students already use the Bark app and have Bark phones
 - It is free to be a Bark partnered school, no presentation at our school is required. A partnership would provide: free resources for social media safety to CTMS parents, a discount on Bark phones to our members, and money to our PTSA for every phone sold to a CTMS family.
- Teacher Grants
 - Remind teachers about the PTSA's teacher grants! If you know of any teachers that have any wishes for their classroom let them know that there are PTSA teacher grants available. The grant forms are available online on our website.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ OWL Grant - Donuts for Vets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mr. McGill has requested an OWL grant of \$250 for 34 boxes of donuts for a Donuts for Vets event at the school ▪ <i>Samantha Carter motioned to approve the grant. Becky Rhame seconded the motion. There was no discussion. All voting members were in favor and the motion passed.</i>
<p>6:35pm - 6:40pm</p>	<p>Finished Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Minutes and Agendas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All Minutes and agendas have been and will continue to be posted on the PTSA website, for your viewing. This is different from the emails we sent last year. We found it difficult to keep a current email list and to know if members were receiving our emails. ○ May and September Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Alyssa Drew motioned to accept the minutes for May and September. Barbara Dawson seconded the motion. All voting members were in favor. There was no further discussion.</i>
<p>6:40pm - 6:45pm</p>	<p>Misc. Review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dining Out – Kellie McSparren <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ To date, there are no dining out fundraisers planned. Prior dining out fundraisers have not been all that successful. Many places are requiring a minimum sales amount before the PTSA gets a portion of the sales and some of our dining outs have not met the minimum. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some restaurants were suggested that do not require a minimum sales amount and more research will be done. ○ American Home Furniture Warehouse Fundraiser <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ It was noted that American Home Furniture Warehouse employees are no longer able to ask about school fundraisers at checkout so make sure you are mentioning it and that it is mentioned on your receipt. ○ Erin made a special shout out of thanks to Kellie Mc Sparren and Larissa Loomis for all their help and dedication to our PTSA. ○ Reflections- Adri Murdock <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Reflections is still ongoing and entries are due Friday, November 10th. This is great opportunity for students to get involved! There are many

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	<p>categories in which they can participate. We had many students win at the various levels of competition last year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Spirit wear- Jim Wittwer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The new spirit wear site is working. The link to the site just needs to be shared. There are a multitude of things you can order on the new site – socks, stickers, various types of apparel, etc. ▪ There was some discussion on whether we wanted to sell at cost or have a profit margin. The consensus of the members was to sell at cost. ▪ There was also some discussion on whether we should still keep inventory on hand/place a bulk order. It was decided that we would wait and see how well the store does before we make a decision. ▪ If you have any ideas of suggestions for spirit wear designs contact Jim Wittwer. ▪ It was suggested that the PTSA consider future t-shirt decoration contests for the students. The idea was well received by the members.
6:45pm-6:50pm	<p>Parent Sounding Board Report: Barbara, Sara, and Erica</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reviewed process for stakeholder meetings. ○ Jinger Haberer talked about her efforts to visit the schools 2 times a year, 4 schools a month. ○ The district has acquired new school buses. The buses have some additional safety features – 360 degree cameras, seat belts, booster seats, etc. It was noted that all buses in the district, no matter their age, are all in good condition. ○ There was a Resources Allocation Committee Report from Becky Allan. They addressed some of the factors in the budget that needed to be addressed. They looked at the different areas and where they could reallocate money to make sure every school is getting what they need. ○ The Assessment Report was discussed from the Balanced Assessment Program. ○ There was a Strategic Plan update from Dr. Smith
6:50pm-6:55pm	<p>Principal's Report - Tom Andrew</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 6th grade COGAT testing was delayed because the organization's website went down.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The school recently had its first PLC day. The teachers had additional time for planning and getting grades in. PLC updates are being emailed to CTMS families. ○ Social studies teachers will be getting together to review any changes to teaching standards and to make any needed adjustments. The district is providing subs to allow for this extra planning time to occur. ○ On a similar note, subs are being provided to grant some release to the teachers who are needing to put in extra prep time (teaching multiple levels of math, additional prep time with paras and special education teachers, etc.) ○ We have some activities and events coming up: Harvest Food Drive, Fall Festival/Spirit week. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Spirit Week Dress Up Days: Monday: Pajama Day, Tuesday: Halloween Costume, Wednesday: Barbie v. Ken, Thursday: Farmer v. Farm Animal, Friday: Decades Day ▪ Thursday, November 2nd is S.T.E.A.M. Night: come out with your kids and check out the different STEAM activities. ▪ Friday, November 3rd is the 6th grade dance ▪ Friday, November 10th is the 7th and 8th grade dance ▪ Friday, November 10th in the morning is Donuts with Veterans ○ Athletics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Volleyball, football, and cross country have wrapped up for the season. The 8th grade volleyball team won the championship. The football team had a winning season and we had a couple kids finish well in the cross country conferences. ▪ Basketball, softball, and soccer have all started. ○ Thanks in advance for all the food and treats, for all you do, and all your support to the teachers and staff.
6:55pm-7:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Final Note from Erin: Ballots will be arriving soon! Please make sure you vote! <p>Meeting Adjourned: 7:33</p>

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