

Chinook Trail Middle School (CTMS) PTSA Meeting Minutes

Monday August 26, 2024 - 6 p.m.

CTMS Curiosity Center

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Audrey Partridge

Treasurer Report - Alyssa Drew

- Balance of \$19,036.01 brought forward from last year.
- There was a \$4.00 donation and \$6.82 of earned interest (included in above balance).
- No expenses incurred in the month of July.
- PTSA changed banks in July.

Membership Report - Alyssa Drew

- PTSA currently has 18 members officially
- All members who were on PTSA last year need to renew their membership and pay required fees if they wish to continue with PTSA for the 2024/25 academic year.

Fundraising Report

- No fundraising was completed in the month of July.
- \$915.70 was received from Kroger in August.
- Dining Out fundraisers dates have been booked (April has the full list)
 - 13 Sept - Bird Call
 - 09 Oct - Chipotle
 - 12 Nov - MOD Pizza
 - 11 Dec - Chuy's

Upcoming Events and Activities

- 7th and 8th Grade Back to School Night will be held on 27 August 2024 from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

New Business

- Spirit Wear is being re-branded with original OWL logo.
 - Request from Council to approve \$4766.32 in spending to purchase the following Spirit Wear:
 - 144 T-Shirts (variety of colors)
 - 144 Sweatshirts (variety of colors)
 - Jackie Lesh made a motion to spend the requested \$4766.32 to purchase Spirit Wear for resale to CTMS families. Motion passed by consensus.
 - T-shirts will be sold at a cost of \$20.00 and sweatshirts will be sold at a cost of \$35.00.
 - Discussion was had about PTSA selling Spirit Wear at sporting home games and Parent-Teacher conferences in the fall. A parent offered to try this by selling at one of the next home football games.
 - Previously purchased Spirit Wear (black t-shirts) will be sold a discounted price and a parent volunteer is going to explore the possibility of re-purposing these into bags which could be given to the teachers.
 - The website will eventually be updated with new Spirit Wear and old options will be removed.
 - Flyers will be available soon to advertise new Spirit Wear.

New Business (cont.)

- PTSA bylaws need to be amended to reflect the National increase in membership fees (\$25.00/3 ppl and Staff & Teachers \$7.25). Proposal was put forth during tonight's meeting and will be voted on during the October meeting.
- Request for a new vote to approve spending of \$250.00 to paint a mural on the wall in the Counselling office. PTSA previously approved in March 2023, however work was unable to be completed.
 - Jackie Lesh motioned to approved spending of up to \$250.00 to paint the mural in the Counselling office. Motion was passed by consensus.
- Vicki and Sierra requested a vote to approve requested funding of \$350.00 for Teacher Appreciation gifts (110 gifts will be purchased).
 - Jackie Lesh motioned to approved spending of up to \$350.00 to purchase Teacher Appreciation gifts. Motion was passed by consensus.
- Ms. Hodges requested an OWL Grant of \$300.00 to pay for an entertainer for the ESL Welcome Night. 32 students and their families will benefit from this evening which supports a sense of community within CTMS for all ESL students/families.
 - Sierra Alexander motioned to approved spending of up to \$300.00 for entertainment for the ESL Welcome Night. Motion was passed by consensus.

Finished Business

- Alyssa Drew motioned to approve the Meeting Minutes from May 2024. Motion was passed by consensus.
- Staff Polo's are still very much appreciated by the staff and promote a sense of belonging to new staff joining the team at CTMS. 12 new Polo's were purchased this year.

MISC Review

- Maija Scoffield will be the Reflections Chair and the theme this year will be "Accepting Imperfections".
 - School and District winners will need to be chosen (possibly Oct) prior to the Regionals which will be held on 06 December 2024.
 - Flyer to advertise will be coming soon.
- Taking Flight Fundraiser has not started yet.

Parent Sounding Board Report

- Janine Foley will report back after the first meeting on 04 Sept. 2024.

Principal's Report - Tom Andrew

- CTMS is currently in it's 6th year of operation, with a great start to this year.
- CTMS is currently exceeding it's capacity of 1080 students.
- State testing showed CTMS as "achieving" or "met" in all areas, with the exception of Grade 8 Language Arts. Measures are being taken to improve in this area.
- CTMS is currently fully staffed, with the exception of the recent VP vacancy. There is an active hiring process underway to fill this vacancy as soon as possible.
- CTMS has received a State grant for additional Mental Health Support which will fund a 4th Counsellor position. The newly funded position of "Student Success Counsellor" will be working with at risk students.

- Eric Shriver will be the Military Family Life Counsellor this year and will provide services to all students of Active Duty Military and Veterans.
- CTMS currently has 110 staff (encompassing all positions within the school), with 11 being new hires this year.
- The 3 priorities for this year are: Executive Functioning, Literacy, and Owl Time.
- Athletics:
 - There are currently 12-15 applications being reviewed for new club requests.
 - Current active sports include: Cross Country, Girls Volleyball, and Boys Football.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.