

Platt PTO Meeting Minutes – October 12, 2011

Date & Time: October 12, 2011 at 11:00 pm

Attendees: Janine Dunn*; Diane Sagrillo*; Kendra Chrisbens*; Chole Rackley*; Lisa Rice*; Sherry Sommer*; Jane Smolens*; Cathy Faughnan*; Meg Tierney*;;
*** In attendance** Maureen Chism*; Kevin Gates*; Tanya Santee*; Erin Greenwood*; Wes Morrow*;; Vince Redding*

Action Items

Due Date	Action	Owner	Status

Time	Topic	Facilitator	Notes
11:04	Welcome	Janine	Welcome to the PTO Meeting Introductions.
11:05 pm	Approval of Minutes September 14, 2011 meeting	Maureen Chism	Approval of Minutes from the September 14, 2011 meeting – Maureen Chism Motion made by Janine 2 nd Chole Approved – Post just the final minutes on website
11:10	Treasurer’s Report & Budget	Pam Vogel	Treasurer’s Report & Budget - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See attached report •
	Old Business	Janine	Old Business - Middle School funding Para discussion – the PTO position remains the same. The PTO does not fund Para’s and we don’t plan to. No questions were asked.
	Impact on Education –	Kendra Chrisbens	Impact on Education – Kendra Chrisbens <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impact Nominations – we have 5 teachers that are being nominated. We need someone for Karen Keeler to be nominated. Jennifer Shriver - Ronald Lamb and Emily. Linda F for Mr. Keith, John Matteson – is being done by Sherry Sommer and Susan Sheer, and Mr. O is being done by David Dunn • Yard signs for Prop 103 to take home • There is a web site for parents looking to help with 103 www.voteyeson103.com
			Faculty Follies – NEED HELP!!! - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kevin said teachers are planning a basketball extravaganza. 1.5 hours. 2 min welcome introduction, 4 minutes of a dance team, introductions of the basketball players and 10 boys and girls students. 6 – 7:30. Food would need to be from 5:00 – 6:00. But we are leaning toward no food. Some of us will check out food options. Propose to change the time from 6:30 – 8:00 if we don’t do food, giving parents a chance to eat. • PTO piece of this is to sell \$10 tickets, unlimited amount. There is a fire code of

**Teacher's/
Counselor's
reports**6th grade
team**6th Grade Team Report (will report when they arrive)**

- Highlights
- Erin Greenwood, Vincent from Math and Wes for LA
- New standards coming out. First field trip coming up – All shook up – it is an Elvis musical.
- New for 6th grade – doing 100 Elk in Spring. New Field trip last year is the physics of fun at Gateway and they will do it again this year.
- Presentation of learning for winter conferences this year.
- May want to open the line of communication for next year to fund raise for 100 Elks. It is \$180 this year.
- Kevin praised the teachers
- Wes is coaching football, basketball and track
- Erin – boys and girls soccer, science club
- Vincent – coaches boys and girls basketball and flag football and helping out with track.
- Betsy – does student council, bolder boulder and Student Council..
- Cathy asked the 6th grade team how they found the late start working out for them. Erin spoke about the late start and how it is very helpful for the teachers to connect between departments and within one department. The late start is great for them!
- Kevin will put in the newsletter a bit of information from the teachers on how this is really helping the teachers.

**Principal's
report**

Kevin Gates

Principal's Report

- Update on the Follies (see above)
- Updated on the school board decision to keep school starting at the same time in August vs. moving it back 5 days. If this is a concern there is a calendar committee meeting in January for the years 2013 – 2014.
- Trees for the courtyard. Erin Greenwood like the science department to get involved, so please talk to them and make them a part of it.

**DPC Report
SAC Report
DAC Report****DPC Report** – Diane Mosley –report attached**DAC Report** – Natalie Portman Marsh -

- A 49 page attachment of the comprehensive appraisal for district approval report. The report had to do with reducing the achievement gap. It will be attached to the minutes.

DAC Report: □ At the DAC meeting, the Comprehensive Appraisal for District Improvement Revisit Report (see attached) was presented. This report specifically focuses on an assessment of the processes and practices currently being implemented throughout the district to provide recommendations to improve the current level of academic achievement and close existing achievement gaps. □ □ A leadership profile report prepared by an outside group for the district in 2006 identified that concern existed among staff and the community for reducing the achievement gap. *Additional data gathered in 2011 revealed that this concern remains a major theme for improvement in the district.* □ □ In May 2007 a Comprehensive Appraisal for District Improvement (CADI) review was conducted for the Boulder Valley School District. The overall findings and recommendations of the CADI report revealed that while indicators of high quality professional and operational practices were present, they were not pervasive. □ □ From site to site, application of best practices was inconsistent and accountability to ensure that appropriate instructional practices were consistently used was not present. In the four years since the CADI review, research-based strategies have been implemented, but mostly as isolated initiatives that are not well understood or even

accepted by all staff across the district. □ □ BVSD's 5 Year Goals will need to be determined this year - this report will in part inform DAC recommendations. □

SAC Report – Jane Smolens –

- SAC notebook! She brought the minutes and Janine will add them to the file and Sarah will post them to the PTO website.
- 7 people at the SAC meeting. Nov. 9, next meeting 11:30 – 1:00, please come. Covered C-sap last meeting.

SEAC Report – Catherine Sundvall

- No report on this yet

11:30

Committee Reports for upcoming/important events

Janine Dunn

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- **Halloween Dance/Social Oct. 31st** – Cathy Faughnan / Chole Rackley – handling volunteers and food donations. Food will be individually wrapped granola, goldfish and cookies and juice boxes (150). Cathy is in charge of paper products. All on target! Pizza will be ordered by Star and Cathy will check with her on how many. Student Council will be meeting tomorrow. No Haunted house. Ordered 300 glow necklaces. Teachers will handle decorations, tables trash cans and talking to the custodians. Gym needs to be set up and ready to roll at 3:45!. Debate on the money \$3.50 at lunch and \$4.00 at the door. It will be decided on by student council at the meeting.
- **Cathy proposed a yogurt place to come in for FF.** She is going to talk with her friend about perhaps coming to the FF and selling fro yo for the families.
- **Plattshares** – Cyndi Aubrey – need co-chair - request will go in newsletter
- **Open Enrollment** – Karen Cobb
- **Volunteer Coordinator** – Lisa Rock – Directory hoping to have it done soon.
- **Fundraisers** – Kendra Chrisbens - CU football tickets, Dine-out Martino's Pizzeria, Mixed bags, Nutcracker, Jamba Juice, Target Card?
- **Grant writing** – Seana Zimmer Impact teacher grants. There is an outdoor ed group that was formed last year.
- **PEN** –reported by Meg. A link to the handouts from last nights event. This is national anti-bulling month. Wednesday Oct. 19 PEN is bringing in Barbara Coloros to speak at Monarch HS. A February meeting to be scheduled about the “teenage brain” Nov. 9 at BVSD in the evening there is a Pen event with Michael Vladeck Meg needs help selling Barbara's books last week on Oct. 19.
- **Parent Diversity Leadership Team (PDLT)** – Kim Green.
- **Book Fair** – Lisa Rice - follow up – did \$3,300 worth of books and did a great job! Took \$400 of product from fair and will be able to get more ebooks. Possible to make more money for ebooks in December with the restaurants night in conjunction with the Barnes and Noble Book event.

11:50

New Business

Janine Dunn

- PTO Room 108 makeover – some art is up. Get to it soon.
- Tree purchase / planting in east courtyard see above in Teacher Counselor report.

request

Louise Garrels

Helping out a choice family that is battling cancer. If you would like to help please contact Daryl McCool at daryl1@mccool.com or Cindy Matthews at cindyjmatthews@yahoo.com

Upcoming PTO Meetings

Date	Meeting	Owner	Key Agenda Items
Wednesday, October 12 11:30 – 1:00	PTO Meeting	Janine	Discussion on Para funding
November 16	PTO Meeting	Janine	
January 18	PTO Meeting	Janine	
February 15	PTO Meeting	Janine	
April 18	PTO Meeting	Janine	
May 16	PTO Meeting	Janine	