

Children's Kiva Montessori School
PTO Meeting
April 12, 2016 5:30:30 P.M. Children's House on Empire

I. Welcome/Introductions: Angie Seeley, PTO President

II. PTO Vision The Children's Kiva Parent/Teacher Organization (PTO) serves as a liaison between parents, teachers, staff and the Board of Directors, with the goal of enriching the Kiva community. The PTO strives to create a welcoming atmosphere for families to engage more deeply in their children's education by providing a forum sharing ideas and by sponsoring opportunities for family involvement.

III. Reports

A. President

1. Welcome
2. Second fundraiser, rock pick up, did not work out due to timing, scheduling?? **Need to come up with another fundraiser, possibly Papa Murphy's or a spring yard sale?**
3. PTO officer vote is scheduled for May meeting. Consider bylaw change to move election to start of the school year. **Send out reminder for fall, will vote at next meeting!**

B. Treasurer

1. Checkbook balance is \$2,853 at April 11, 2016
2. PTO has \$1,984 available for distribution under new policy. May is our last meeting to vote on distributions for this school year. Are there any distribution needs at CKMS or CH? **Angie will talk to Susan about EMS needs.**
3. Monthly reports are available through Angie Seeley.

C. Volunteer Director

1. EI/MS would like assistance with:
 - (3rd/7th grades) will be completing PARCC testing 4/11 to 4/14/16, 4/18/22/16, and 4/25/28/16, we are looking for volunteers to provide a snack for 30 students on each day
 - EL/MS need lunch help 12:00 to 12:30 Monday through Friday, come have lunch with your child. All we need is an adult at each table and maybe a little cleanup assistance.
 - EL/MS needs a parent to help in the Specials classes, Mon/Thurs 12:45 pickup, can be a 1 hour commitment per parent or all afternoon. You do not need to have any experience, what a great way to learn with your children! This is just a need of another adult presence to help keep kids on track and focused **Monica and Wendy are willing to help with snacks for PARCC testing if needed.**
2. Children's House needs help with:
 - There will be many opportunities before and during Children's Festival which is scheduled for April 30. The first wave of opportunities are for Flyer Runners, Advertising and Community Announcement Coordination, Volunteers to coordinate the gathering of swag including gathering and stuffing bags, and anyone interested in assisting with the entertainment lineup.
 - March or April we will have a spring cleanup day

or weekend. Once the weather is better: Table refinishing and epoxy application, 1) Gazeeboneed someone to remove the bamboo from the fencing around the gazebo and install Plexiglas, 2) Someone to sand and stain the gazebo and some of the other outdoor structures, 3) Someone to install new surface on the boat. Will get individual help or will hire someone.

3. Teacher appreciation, please contact (Stacey 3033495092 or coloradoinsurancepros@gmail.com) if you are interested in this project This is the first week in May.

D. Health and Wellness Track day for 4th-5th graders is on May 23rd- Mary Jo is heading this up. Will need parent help for bathroom supervision, male/female. 1 parent per hour.

IV. Community Forum We love to hear what parents(guardians/staff etc.) are thinking please don't hesitate to share celebrations, comments, suggestions, questions or concerns! It is your participation that makes this organization great! We respectfully ask that these items be limited to 5 min, if you would like more time please request your items be placed on the agenda and we will be happy to accommodate you!

A. Board of Directors Representative

B. Open Forum -Monica and Wendy were here to express concern for most recent test scores- there has been a significant decline in students STAR test scores. Discussion ensued. For more info, please attend a SAC meeting: 1st Tuesday of the month @ 4:00 PM at CH.

V. Director's Corner

A. E/MS Finance Director Susan Likes was unable to attend

B. Alexia Hudson CH Executive Director Flu season was horrible this year! It was also later than usual. Evonne fell and is in the hospital and may not be back until next year. In the meantime, Lexi is doing everything. Getting ready for the Colorado Shines surprise evaluation.

VI. Other Activities

A. Box Tops

B. Mentor program

VII. Upcoming Events/Calendar

A. Thursday, April

B. Next PTO meeting: Tuesday, May 10th 5:30-6:30 PM at CH. Last meeting for the school year.