

**Columbine Elementary PTA-
OFFICER'S MEETING
@ Vic's Coffee House
October 4, 2008
12:30-2PM**

CALL TO ORDER: The officers meeting of the Columbine PTA was called to order October 4, 2008, at 12:35 pm by David Sterling. Trish Wood recorded the minutes

There were 4 people present.

The PTA officers met to discuss the particulars regarding the 10/6 meeting and to review new business to bring to the group for consensus.

- Since it can be distracting and interfere with listening, we won't start the hands-on project until after Lynn's report. We will also ask the group if they like having a task or if it distracts from the meeting.
- Officers reviewed two community action requests for funds. The first was a request for \$600 from second grade to attend a movie. The second was for \$420 for listening centers for students in the primary grades in the bi-literacy program. With \$1000 budgeted for the year, the officer's decided to allocate half (\$500) to requests this fall and the other half to spring requests. The \$500 will be split evenly between the two requests. Joni will ask requestors if they can still move forward with only \$250 and suggest ideas for targeted fundraising to make up the difference we discussed. If either group does not wish to move forward, we will allocate the remaining funds to the other request. These recommendations will be voted on and discussed @the PTA meeting.
- We need to ask for nominations for the open officers seats at the meeting.
- As in the past, our PTA membership report will only include officers. This will encourage participation and is appropriate for our families who do not have extra discretionary income but still want to be involved.
- Soccer is moving forward nicely. The only funds required will be repayment to BVSD for 10 soccer balls and a couple of whistles.
- The SIT (School Improvement Team) group has been examining climate survey data. The results are confounding and don't match well with observed behavior. They will be conducting focus groups with students on the most offensive questions.
- The Lights of December Parade is also moving forward, the first committee meeting is planned for Monday at which time a report will be presented to PTA at-large.
- Meetings need to be set for Carnival planning. Trish/Wanda will spearhead this.
- The Volunteer forms need to be changed next year to only include home phone and email.
- There was a suggestion for PTA to get involved with parent climate survey work in the spring to increase responses. PTA reps could "man" a table at P/T conferences to facilitate completion. As it stands, the number of responses is too small to tabulate effectively.

The meeting adjourned at 2PM