

Eisenhower Elementary PTA
September 9, 2009
6:20-9:15 PM

1) Meeting commenced at 6:20 PM.

1. Jill Gargash, Co-President
2. Wendy Lucas, Secretary
3. Charles Serns, Principal & Vice President
4. David Sterling, DAC Representative
5. Jen Bray, Volunteer Coordinator
6. Rebekah Hartman, Vice President
7. Brie Larsen, Teacher Rep

2) Principal's report

1. Good attendance at assessment days and Back-to-School nights. Approximately 85 – 90% of families attended one or the other.
2. The Eisenhower community seems to be embracing the transgender student.
3. Review of TIES information sheet including review of equity, achievement and monitoring process for TIES for school year.
 - i) Showed a geographic profile of SE Boulder Schools and their scores of CSAP Math and Reading. Eisenhower falls in same range as other schools in same geographic area.
 - ii) Climate goals for the school will focus on anti-bullying.
 - iii) Dr. Serns will write the TIES plan based on the above guidelines reviewed with the PTA board.
4. This is Eisenhower's year for the District Accreditation Site Review. It will take place in April 2010.
5. A new community liaison will split time between Eisenhower and two other Boulder schools. She will be at Eisenhower three days a week (Wed, Thurs, Fri). Her job includes, but is not limited to, translation and working with the Latino Forum.
 - i) There was board discussion around bridging the Latino forum and the rest of the Eisenhower community.
 - ii) PTA suggested inviting a representative from the Latino forum to come to PTA meetings.
 - iii) Dr. Serns will address these issues at the first forum on Sept 18th.
6. Construction update.
 - i) Design Advisory Team will meet next week. Cost of what is planned is not matching the money available due to some unforeseen changes and cost increases.
 - a) Need a new fire alarm system as deemed by fire marshal.
 - b) Sprinklers are \$150,000 more than budgeted.

- c) Asbestos abatement costs are higher than planned.
 - ii) Starting construction in December. They will begin with new library area on NW section.
 - iii) Construction information available on the Eisenhower and BVSD web sites.
- 7. There are no confirmed cases of H1N1 flue at Eisenhower, however many sick students.
 - i) There is a link to the CDC on Eisenhower's web site.
 - ii) Staff is encouraging students to wash hands more often.
- 8. New milk machine in cafeteria will be moved to a different location once a new electrical outlet is added to the intended area.
- 9. Dr. Serns wasn't able to give definite answers about the labor issues, but said there was low union involvement in the school.

3) Rebekah

- 1. Back-to-School night skits about PTA fundraisers were a big hit.
- 2. Ozo's new arrangement with PTA is that Eisenhower earns 10% on gift certificates and 12% on coffee.

4) Jen – Volunteer Coordinator Update

- 1. Plenty of volunteers for dodge ball tournament.
- 2. Suggestion of student council to cover sportsmanship or other topics before dodge ball tournament to help promote teams.

5) Teacher representation - Brie

- 1. Question about classroom donations. They will be distributed evenly among classrooms.

6) David Sterling, DAC report

- 1. DAC is meeting with BVSD school board this week to determine what the focuses for DAC will be this year.
- 2. All reports and meeting minutes are available on the district web site.
- 3. DAC looking at reviewing their bylaws.

7) President's report

- 1. Budget review
- 2. If anyone has information for the PTA bulletin board it should go to Michele French.
- 3. Need the Emergency List to be updated. Jill will find out if Mary Claire Mulligan is still in charge.
- 4. Payback books have already brought in \$1,300.
- 5. Review of all committees

6. New fundraisers

- i) Jamba Juice will do a fundraiser night for Eisenhower. Jill will work with contact to pick a night.
- ii) Twisted Pine is willing to do a beer tasting event at their brewery. Michele Marshall is heading that up.

8) Next meeting is a general meeting, September 23rd at 8:45 a.m. in the school library.

Board Meeting – Oct. 7th, 6 p.m. at Playa Azul

Board Meeting – Nov. 4th, 6 p.m.

Board Meeting – Dec. 2nd, 6 p.m.

General Meeting – Dec. 3rd, 6 – 8 p.m. School Library, Jennifer Hansen presenting on Internet Safety

Board Meeting – Jan. 6th, 6 p.m.

Board Meeting – Feb. 3rd, 6 p.m.

Board Meeting – March 3rd, 6 p.m.

Board Meeting – April 7th, 6 p.m.

Board Meeting – May 5th, 6 p.m.

General Meeting after December depends on date of spaghetti dinner.