



**Cory Elementary PTA General Membership Meeting**  
**9/8/17**

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** The Cory Elementary PTA general meeting was called to order 9/8/17 at 850 at by Andrea Kupfer (President); Ashley Mull (Secretary) recorded the minutes.
- Official nomination of Board Members by Past President. No other nominations. Nominees were unanimously approved.
- 2. ROLL CALL:** 4 Board Members were in attendance: Andrea Kupfer (president), Anastasia Glennie (VP-Community Events), Stephanie Campbell (Treasurer), Ashley Mull (Secretary).
- Also in attendance: see attached list
- 3. AGENDA:** The agenda (see attached) was approved.
- All future meetings will be First Fridays
- 2 evening Meetings, first is October 24 in the evening, second TBD
- 4. UPDATE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:** Ms. Tencate thanks the PTA and welcomes everyone to the new school year. She is looking to hire 1 new Para; position is posted and we are actively looking. 1 Para (Shannon Williams) is leaving today for personal move. About 30 students over what we expected (total 408 students). We now have some additional funds from the district as a result.
- We are also finding out special education needs are significant. These include students who are receiving an IEP (Individual Education Plan). We are looking to hire another special education teacher, and we are asking the district to supplement this cost. We do expect approval on this in October when the final numbers are given.
- We are looking to send a teacher team to a Gifted and Talented conference in the Fall. The conference will be in Loveland, CO.
- 5. COMMITTEE UPDATES:**
- Anastasia: Need 2 Co-Chairs for the Spring Auction; Need a lead for Year Book; Sam needs help with Grocery Cards (Mark Shin volunteered mshin321@gmail.com)
- Haven (FALL CARNIVAL): 2 things coming home in Friday Folders. Flyer for Carnival, and ticket order form. Sign up Genius is out: need especially help with clean up.
- Grocery Cards: King Sooper and Safeway. If you use the cards you get 5% back. There are associated brands w/ same discount. Preloaded cards for \$5. They are in office currently, anyone who is interested can go to office and leave \$5 and take a card. Other options we have looked into include on-line, such as Amazon

Smile (must look for “John Cory” to designate Cory as a beneficiary), and Benefit Mobile (link to download is on Cory Website)

Friends of Cory: September 12-14. Cindy, Karla, Lisa. Haven is handing it off, and will meet with new committee. Needs to be up and running by Fall Carnival.

Walk to School, October 4. Alison Durnavich is helping with this (alisondurnavich@gmail.com)

Cory Dine Outs (Debbie Fimple, Chair; Erlen Marsh; Jennifer)  
 Wednesday 27 Sept (Grilling wings)  
 Monday Oct 23 (Kitchen Next Door, 50%) –sign up in advance on EventBrite  
 Wednesday Nov 8 (Mod Market)  
 Monday Dec 4 (Esters)

School Directory: Mark Shin will help with that. (mshin321@gmail.com)

Spooky Story Night: Karen Levine (seekarenrun@yahoo.com, Alexia Eslan (lentza@hotmail.com)

Book Fair: Theme “Wild West;” usually raises \$4,000-\$8,000 for PTA. Usually start recruiting around the time the Friends of Cory Campaign ends. We need to designate now where the funds will go. Two ways to get funds: Scholastic Bucks (\$0.50 on the dollar, but limited to the Scholastic Catalog); or Cash (\$0.25 on the dollar if we get cash). Usually set up on 10 heavy wood tables; would like to consider buying plastic tables (\$650) to have safer tables to use for this and future events.

Tours (Maria Dutmer, Chair). Need additional Volunteers. Meeting Next Week (9/13 at 0845 in the Cafeteria). They will run primarily in the Fall. Very flexible, once a month commitment usually

Teacher Appreciation. Dana Kang was helping with the Teacher Appreciation week (in May) in the past, for decoration/snacks. Needs about 3 volunteers to help this year. Anastasia will add this to the Sign Up genius. It was recommended by Dana to have sign up genius for specific food items/dietary needs to prevent waste and duplicate items.

Garden Committee (Summer Griffin). We need a rep from each classroom to get kids out into the garden. Summer or Skeeter will do it with you if you would like help. Opportunities include scavenger hunts, foods to use to prepare a recipe w/ class, other activities. If you are interested in being the rep from your child’s classroom please contact Summer or Skeeter. The Cory Garden also harvests food for farmer’s market and cafeteria.

**6. BUDGET UPDATE:** Stephanie Campbell (Treasurer):

Biggest Money Maker in the Spring (Spring Auction). Friends of Cory is also a large Fundraiser. These 2 events help fund everything the PTA does. We have already had a large expense (\$108,000) for Para-Professionals. A Para salary is approximately \$22,000. The PTA funded a PA system in the auditorium, also water fountains/filters. We are considered funding a Portable PA system which could be used for outside events. We have one quote, for appx \$9,000. We need to get additional quotes.

Stephanie Campbell (Treasurer) called the following to a vote: PTA has traditionally funded Raz Kids (on line reading tool) for school. Raz Kids allows

teachers to assign books at reading appropriate level. Raz Kids Plus also gives teachers additional resources including activities and assessment tools. Raz Kids Plus will cost an additional \$800. Staff and teachers are on board with this. Majority voted to pass this additional increase to the budget.

**7. MISCELLANEOUS:** Haven Smith: we are working on updating the website. It needs to be updated especially with information about the current principal. Danielle Gooden (daniellegumina@yahoo.com) states she can assist with updates.

Jennifer Grumann (CSE rep): we may need a new AC system for the school. This is a CSE item. The district will likely be involved in this infrastructure item. Andrea: it can be complicated for PTA to get involved in infrastructure improvements

**8. PRESENTATION:** Liz (www.nanno.com – online childcare Web app) would like to partner with Cory PTA to as a fundraiser. Teachers/Paras would be part of the childcare community. Nanno gives back 10% of revenue to the PTA. Need a blurb in the Newsletter (Parent Post) from time to time. All providers are background checked and CPR certified. Anastasia will receive blurb from Liz to pass on for Parent Post.

**9. ADJOURNMENT:** Andrea adjourned the meeting at 1005 am.

**Ashley Mull**

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Secretary

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT 1: ROLL CALL**

Roll Call Cory PTA General Meeting  
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- Pam Landry
- Karla Hand (friends of Cory) karlaraehand@gmail.com
- Maria Dutmer (tour program Chair, teacher appreciation week) mariadutmer@msn.com
- Lisa Glynn (friends of Cory) lisacer@hotmail.com
- Nicola Geraud (auction) NicolaGeraud@gmail.com
- Rositsa Dimitrova rvdimitrova@gmail.com
- Erlen Marsh (dine outs) mammoosha@gmail.com
- Debbie Fimple (dine out Chair) dfimple@gmail.com
- Alexia Eslan (Spooky Stories) lentza@hotmail.com
- Jennifer Grumann (tours; PTA rep for CSE) jtgrumann@gmail.com
- Sam Storhan (sp?) (Book Fair Co-Chair, grocery cards, grounds clean up) --?contact
- Jack Sassoon jack@creativenationad.com
- Jeff Miller --?contact
- Liz Oertle (here for fundraiser opportunity, not a parent at Cory) liz@nanno.com
- Leisa Sollenberger (dance, spooky story) lsollenberger@gmail.com
- Haven Smith (carnival) havencsmith@gmail.com
- Rachel Molokin (open to help out) rmolokin@gmail.com
- Eloise Hirsch (auction) Eloise.hirsch@gmail.com

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 Mark Shin (grocery cards, school directory) mshin321@gmail.com  
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 Deborah Freeman (art night) debbiechar1474@aol.com  
 Liz Tencate (principal) [Elizabeth\\_tencate@dpsk12.org](mailto:Elizabeth_tencate@dpsk12.org)  
 Jennifer Reed jenrich24@gmail.com

## ATTACHMENT 2: AGENDA

# Cory PTA Meeting Agenda

September 8, 2017

### Old Business

- Procedures/policy review
- Election of board members
- Review meeting schedule for the year

### Committee Reviews

- Friends of Cory
- Fall Carnival
- Walk to School
- Auction
- Grocery Cards
- Cory Dines Out
- School Directory
- Spooky Story Night
- Book Fair

Committees with Open Chairs: review status

### Budget

- RazKids upgrade request and vote

Liz Oertle w/Nanno

Miscellaneous