



**Cory Elementary PTA General Membership Meeting
11/10/2017**

1. CALL TO ORDER: The Cory Elementary PTA general meeting was called to order 12/1/17 at 0845 at by Andrea Kupfer (President); Ashley Mull (Secretary) recorded the minutes.

Next meeting January 12th, 2017. Possible evening meeting Feb 8th – however, it does possibly conflict w/ CSC meeting.

Minutes from 11/10/17 were 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 was approved.

4. PRINCIPAL UPDATE (Liz Tenacate):

- Hiring process in underway; we only have 5 feedback forms from parents back; deadline is 12/11/17
- also need more applications from parents to serve on hiring committee; go to office for details
- reviewed process for hiring (please refer to 11/10/17 minutes for more details)
- CSC meeting in mid December to assist with the formation of the committee
- end of January is the probable goal for ending the process
- CSC wants a lot of feedback in what is desirable in a principal for Cory
- we just hired a para, Kara Wilson, who started this week

5. CSC UPDATE:

- walk your child to class day: feedback from teachers that it might no longer be necessary; feedback from parents that they would like to continue that. There was a suggestion from a parent to have Liz revisit this issue with the teachers, because parents really like the walk to class event. Compromise was suggested to make this not a once per month event; but maybe a 2-3 times per semester event. Andrea will bring this up with the teachers.
- updating Cory website: no update right now; but still working on it

6. BUDGET UPDATE (Stephanie):

- Stephanie is putting an envelope in the office for holiday gifts for support staff; starts Monday, Dec 4th through Monday, Dec 18th. Will gift cash to staff Wed the 20th. Andrea or Anastasia will get this in the next parent post. Andrea will look at possible on-line donation options.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

- Andrea is going to the next Teacher meeting, December 9th, to request that a teacher representative come to our PTA meeting.
- Andrea will do formal vote on by-laws for February meeting.

6. COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Dine-out events (Erlen): Fascination street is still going on. Total now of 24% coming back to Cory. Over Thanksgiving, Matilda brought in \$330, and the Craft Alley brought in about \$50-100, and the other jewelry truck brought in \$300. There will be another Craft Alley fundraiser on Super Bowl weekend. Monday there will be another event at Ester. Dec 11-18th, there is another fundraiser. We need to post on Nexdoor.

Book Fair (Kristy): we netted about \$18,000. Past years it has been about \$16,500. We need to decide how to use our funds. If you use Scholastic dollars only, we get about 50% and then another \$900 bonus for using only Scholastic dollars. If you take cash, you only get 25% and then don't get the bonus. I've talked to Dawn, and she would like to get a book binder repair kit, for \$1200, she would also like Maker Kit and Stem Items, and also buy birthday books, and get Scholastic news. If we get everything she would like, we get down to \$2000. Stephanie: we never plan this event to make money for the PTA. In the past years, they have cashed out to get interactive boards for the classroom. Suggestion to see what art supplies might be available through the Scholastic catalog. Consensus is to use the Book Fair dollars as Scholastic dollars.

Fall clean-up (Sam): great turn out, great weather. We estimate around 200 bag of leaves were collected. A lot of bags end up getting donated to community members or others who would like leaves.

Auction (Leisa). Jaala will be the co-chair. We will be finalizing the contract with the cable center at DU; we are looking at the 20th of April for the date. We would like to send out a save the date soon. If you have voiced interest, an email went out last night asking for help. There will be a brief meeting before the winter break. If you know of anyone else willing to help, please let Leisa know. One of the biggest successes last year, per Haven, was the paddle raise; if there is something specifically that CSC or PTA wants, please let Leisa know. Suggestion was to use the paddle raise for the outdoor PA system, though this was "asked" for last year, so would have to clarify we didn't have enough for the indoor system and the outdoor system. We also need to figure out how much the para salaries will be next year, and make sure we have enough to cover that. However, it was suggested that we can't really understand what our needs are until the budget comes out. One suggestion for paddle raise was chicken coops (appx \$3500). Sign up genius coming out soon for specific roles.

Garden committee (Gwen): it was a good year. So much participation from kids and teachers this year. Anastasia suggests asking families for donations for the garden beds before the auction. Our goal is to raise money by April.

Grocery cards (Dana and Sam). We are trying to get the word out for people to use King Super and Safeway cards. Also trying to get out the word for Benefit mobile app. We have on the budget about \$4000 in revenue from grocery cards. Dana will take a look to see if we are on track to meet this goal. We would like to make the goal more visible for grocery cards, and would like to exceed our goal of \$4000. Would like monthly update on parent post to let families know how we are doing; and also to clarify how people can do this. Note: you can't buy gift cards. Suggestion for parent post to have specific parent post to highlight these fundraisers.

Art night (Sam): February 6th, Tuesday.

8. ADJOURNMENT: Andrea adjourned the meeting at 0955.

Ashley Mull

Secretary

Approved: _____

Date: _____

Addendum:

Following the meeting, the Cory PTA Taxes were reviewed in detail by Margit with the PTA board.

Attachment: Roll Call