

Commodore Parent-Teacher Group

A family, school, community partnership

Meeting Minutes for November 19, 2013

Welcome

Administrator Updates: Stephanie split her time between our meeting and an emergency preparedness meeting.

Teacher Reports: Jay shared that after a recent faculty conversation, some faculty were unaware of all the things that the parent group did; how could we share more about what we do? Flier in mailbox? Contribute Friday breakfast? Stephanie offered to ask staff to attend occasional meetings? Have a logo/banner to represent our group at our events.

Visitor Reports: none present

Student Report: none present

Member updates:

- **E-News:** More news lately but could still benefit from grade-specific news (that still seems to be lacking); Carla asked if edited news could get back to her by Friday early so she can get it back to the liaisons; Kristina offered to put together a "Question of the Week" starting in December for staff to answer as they wish. This will allow parents to learn more about staff who participate.
- **Grants:** Tania will put out another reminder for grant requests
- **Trinkets and Treasures:** Holly has already collected a ton of "stuff" and is storing it at Kennedy Brothers again. If people have stuff to donate, they should contact Holly and she will coordinate a pick-up with them. Kristina proposed that the CPTG pay to have signs made to advertise the sale this year - Lynne will look into pricing and ordering; continue advertising on Front Porch Forum - Saturday, April 5th

- **Enrichment activity ideas:** Inspirational speakers? All school performance? Should we survey administrators and teachers to see what their needs are? Flynn trips for middle school? College fair? Career days? Jay mentioned Navicate, a group that would come in every year and hold a career fair for students. It's free the first year, but could use a sponsor for subsequent years. Support PBGR's? Enrichment opportunities for parents? Fine arts festival?
- **December 9** - Bullying prevention evening sponsored by Boys and Girls club and VUHS. Look for specifics in the e-News.
- **Curriculum Night:** Set for January 15th 6:30-8:00 PM in the library for parents of 8th-11th graders.
- **Bond vote:** Board members looking for help passing out fliers before the vote - Lynne volunteered
- **Electronic announcement board?** update at December meeting?

Next regular meeting: December 17 at 7:00 PM in the VUHS Library