**In Attendance:**

Jen Hertzberg, Kevin Hickerson, Mary Pierri, Melissa Hall, Alicia R, Brittney Le, Kristin McClure, Hayley Waters, Lyndsey B, Danielle, Mary Anne, Shiva Modanlou, Elena Lopez Ceto, Matt M, Jose Morales, Liliana Payne, L’Oreale Baugh, K. Bencherif, Kai Jen, Danaca Valbrun, Mukur Hazan, Velma E., Tasha C.

7:10 pm RECENT HAPPENINGS

** ESOL Multicultural Potluck**

-very successful, with over 50 families representing and over 15 cultures represented

-thank you for all staff and families that were in attendance

** Election Day Bake Sale (Tuesday, November 7th)**

-thank you to all the bakers and volunteers

-it was very successful: approx.. $450 was raised

** Spirit Nights – CHIPOTLE – (Wednesday, November 8th)**

-thank you to all that were able to be there

-the many reminders sent by CR helped (per another parent’s feedback)

-a *typical* spirit night raises about $110-180 BUT Chipotle Night raised over $400 -whoo hoo

** Fall Bingo (Friday, November 10th)**

-there was a great turnout

-this year, there were snacks and drinks but no pizza

-timing: may have been a bit late

-the PTA is open to ideas/suggestions, perhaps having it earlier with dinner served would be easier? (have a suggestion-please email the PTA)

7:15 pm UPCOMING EVENTS

** Next PTA Meeting (Tuesday, January 9th)**

-information about the March Read-A-Thon will be given

-information about after school clubs will be given

** Spirit Nights – CHIPOTLE – (Wednesday, February 7th)**

FUTURE EVENTS

** Read-A-Thon (March 4th -8th)**

-info will be shared prior to March

** Spring Bingo**

-date is TBD

** Staff Appreciation (May)**-Hayley has already gotten some donations
-Mary Anne is looking into donations
-the PTA is looking for volunteers (even for an hour) from parents

**CLUBS**

-winding up for the Fall term

-Chess and Lego club will be offered in the Spring, also!

 Chess (Last day, Tuesday, November 28th)

 Lego (Last day, Thursday, December 14th)
 Acting Club (it has ended)

GET INVOLVED

** Volunteer**

-consider volunteering!

-even for copying, or for an hour here and there

-looking for Bingo

-need for translators

-if you have High or Middle school children that need service hours-please have them consider volunteering with the PTA!

** Donations – Monetary, bingo prizes, staff appreciation raffle prizes**

-looking for donations (tickets, gift cards to restaurants, etc)

** Staff Bulletin Board**-new for this year 😊

TREASURER’S REPORT
-the Bake Sale raised over $430.00
-Chipotle Spirit Night raised over $400
-Bingo Night-over $1,100.00 BUT the profit was in the $700-800 range!

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT (Dr. J. Hertzberg)
A lot of weekly happenings last week:
-Shout out to ESOL and Multicultural Potluck! 😊
-Tuesday: screening process for AAP
-Wednesday: Family FLE Night with curriculum
B. Hamilton (FLE Lead) and K. Baugh (admin lead)
-Thursday-this PTA mtg.
Thank to you to the PTA for all the days/nights you spend for spirit nights and planning!
-Scholastic Book Fair: thank you to the families for supporting our library and CR

News:

-AVID: will be for grades 3-6 next school year
 -sending teachers to training (in FL this summer)
 -every Friday in news shows: students learn about colleges and universities🡪
 school matters!
 -thank you to Lyndsey Beasley for setting up the college lacrosse players

-VGAs: for students in grades 3-6
 -state mandated assessment

-Attendance: so important!
 -we want and need students there daily
 -if students miss 2 weeks of school🡪5% of the school year
 -we teach before the last hour of Winter Vacation

-Winter Break: CR is requesting a screen break so iPads will be left at school
-iPads will be purchased for 6th graders next year

-Additional funding starting on March 1st which leads to opportunities🡪
 --Math Olympiad & Science Olympiad (for grades 4-6)—if parents would like to help, email Dr. H directly
 --Spelling Bee-will be open to everyone and spearheaded by Ms. Mariani
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Questions/Feedback at end of mtg:
1. The Kiss and Ride folks seem to be creating their own lane. Are there cones that can be placed to separate the incoming and outgoing traffic?
Response: (Dr. H.) -this is the fastest K/R line that Jen has seen or of all schools she’s worked in. Some students have needs that require parents/caregivers from exiting their cars to assist children out of cars. That may slow down the kiss and ride line. Jen has spoken with Sully Station police and they said they would provide random checks to make sure everyone is abiding with kiss and ride rules.

2. Lilliana Payne is starting to get pictures taken around school for the yearbook.

3. There was a survey sent out to staff for parents to be more involved in school and helping out.

4. Jennifer will be taking impromptu pictures for the yearbook on January 18th. More info will follow prior to this date.