

Casey Middle School PTA

April 4, 2023

Attendance: Welcome and introductions

Members in attendance: Lacey Musick, Holly Wheeler, Ellie Geilhufe, Clark Rider, Melissa Love, Aaron Mitchell, Heather Muller, and Mr. Shaw

Minutes from last meeting:

☰ March 2023 Meeting

Moved by Holly Wheeler, Seconded by Melissa Love. Approved by those in attendance.

Treasurer's Report:

Monthly Finance Report: See below

Speaker: Ryan Bishop, AD BHS:

- Sports overview
 - 22 sports
 - BHS does not cut students from sports, except boys basketball and soccer.
 - BHS tries to balance inclusion while keeping the sports competitive.
 - The level of commitment is high. Kids often have to participate every day. Practices are mandatory.
 - Not all seniors make a varsity level.
- How to get information?
 - All coaches are listed on the BHS Athletic website <https://boh.bvsd.org/athletics>. The webpage lists the coaches by season. Parents can contact the coaches or Ryan Bishop.
 - 8th graders will get information on how to participate in the summer soon.
 - There is a Meet the Coaches night; students can sign up to be on the Constant Contact list.
- Summer training
 - BHS is encouraging 8th graders to lift weights over the summer.
 - There are some youth camps: wrestling, basketball, football.
 - Football and golf start July 30. Every other sport starts August 7.
 - Registration for athletics opens four weeks before the season starts.
 - All students need a physical; better to do that over the summer than in August.
- There are fees associated with the sports.
- If kids don't make a team, the coaches and athletic department help the student find other sports or club teams to participate.
- Clubs: Tier 1: Clubs that meet at lunch (no funding); Tier 2: Some organized events (little funding); Tier 3: Ultimate frisbee and mountain bike (a little funding)
- Parents should support students' journey; not hesitate to reach out; and encourage students to get involved and stick with it (but don't force it)

Committees: Please sign up via HelpAtSchools

Social/Community Events

- Melissa contacted Sources of Strength; no update on the social event at this time. She will keep the PTA updated with what she finds out.

Community Fundraisers

- Sweet Cow: May 9 (all day event at North Boulder location): More information will go before that.

- Torchy's Tacos: April 24 @ 4-8 pm.
 - March 14th event at Torchy's made \$150

8th Grade Continuation: Wednesday, May 24 at BHS Auditorium Time TBA

- Co-chairs are Michelene Kuhr and Amy Kirtland. They have a committee of 8th grade parents. First meeting is April 6. They will order baked goods for the social afterwards. They will inform the PTA of any updates.
- If there are any 6th or 7th grade parents that want to be on the committee, they are welcome to join!

Teacher Appreciation Week: May 1-5

Everyday, there is a different treat for teachers. Heather, Ellie, and Aaron are willing to help out!

Teacher Grants:

- We are wrapping up the final grants for the 22-23 school year. We funded right around \$9,000 worth of grants.
- 23-24 Grant Information will be online and sent to teachers prior to the end of this school year. The committee is editing the information now, so teachers can prepare their applications over the summer.

Yearbook:

- Final advertisement update: sold 2 half page ads @ \$250 a piece; sold 22 8th grade dedications @ \$50 a piece.

SAC (School Accountability Committee):

- Babysitting/CPR course took place the week before spring break. We had 23 students participate. 11 students were on full scholarships. Teachers and the PTA funded the scholarships. PTA total scholarship was around \$300.

Teacher of the Month:

- Torchy's Tacos is sponsoring Teacher of the Month at Casey. They are giving a gift card to one teacher each month.
- Teachers nominate fellow teachers for the award. January -Catherine Powers; February- Lori Miller; March - Mary Brown.

Old Business:

New Business:

PTA events for next year:

- Teacher grants can be a main focus; we can fund field trips through the Teacher Grants.
- We will be putting a booklet together that shows the impact of the funds (with photos) as part of fundraising. This should hopefully be completed by the end of May.
- Can the PTA pay for paras to have more support in the classrooms? That is very expensive, and we typically don't raise enough money.
- The school can organize events, and parents can sign up to support through HelpAtSchools. The PTA does not have enough people to organize those events, but can help staff events or provide funds.
- The coffees with the principal and the happy hours are better attended than the parent engagement nights.
- Teacher appreciation week is a priority.
- National education week can be smaller (for example: just stock the fridge).

- Welcome Back Night was a great event and should be maintained.

Officers for next year:

If you are interested in holding a PTA position next year, please let the PTA Executive Board know. Click the following link for available positions: <https://bvsd.helpatschools.com/schools/47/events/10838>

Principal Update:

- **CMAS** is coming up! The school started messaging with the kids, so they feel comfortable and relaxed. Kids seem more comfortable with the test. It's about continuous improvement and a trajectory of learning.
- **Signage** has been put up to make the building more welcoming. The building was hard to navigate prior to the signs being installed.
- **Staffing and hiring:** There are four teachers retiring. The enrollment is lower than in the past, so those positions don't have to be filled.

Calendar of Events Updates: check out the [PTA Google Calendar](#)

Next meeting: May 2 at 5:00 pm: Location will be at Postino on Pearl Street. Election of Officers will happen first, followed by the end of the year social. It's a new Italian restaurant.

Casey Middle School PTA Treasurer's Monthly Report					
	Report for the month of March 2023				
A. CHECKBOOK BALANCE, BEGINNING OF MONTH.....					\$35,904.43
ADD RECEIPTS DURING MONTH:					
	Yearbook			\$3,819.78	
	Babysitting class			\$1,234.96	
	Donation			\$14.21	
	Mural			\$378.67	
	TOTAL RECEIPTS.....				\$5,447.62
B. TOTAL RECEIPTS AND BEGINNING CHECKBOOK BALANCE <i>(Add lines A and 9)</i>					\$41,352.05
SUBTRACT DISBURSEMENTS DURING MONTH:					
	Teacher grants			\$2,100.00	
	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS).....				\$2,100.00
C. CHECKBOOK BALANCE, END OF MONTH.....					\$39,252.05