

Chief Joseph Middle School PAC Meeting Minutes

October 1, 2015

Members present: Mandee Arnold, Heather Frisk, Desiree Petrillo, Mr. Ayers, Jodi Tietz, Marilee Brown, Laurie Sullivan, Leigh-Anne Townes, Kimberly Sacry, Pete Macfadyen, Jill Chase, Mandy Yates, Sue Deyo, Shanie DiBeradinis

Pete Macfadyen spoke about the "Invest In Your Child" campaign which kicks off this month. Parents will be able to give a one-time annual or monthly gift to CJMS. The current goal is for 150 new Chrome Books. Parents will receive an email and a link to Donate.ly which will automatically send a tax receipt.

CJMS Resource Officer Clint Anderson spoke about his role at CJ. As of October 1st bullying is now a crime. There was discussion of coming up with a curriculum that would inform kids regarding cyber-bullying.

Keith Chambers brought Jetta, a detection canine. Jetta comes to CJ twice a year and acts as a deterrent to bringing drugs, alcohol, and firearms to school grounds.

Ann Keith spoke about doing a parent training on the book, "Mindset" which deals with the impact of what we say to ourselves in academics and life. The training would be 1.5 hours and she would be happy to facilitate if there is interest.

Mr. Ayers spoke about beginning a monthly principal's message for parents. His focus will be on issues the school is working to resolve and how the school year is going. Oct. 7 is National Walk/Bike to School Day and Mr. Ayers stressed how parents need to discuss bike safety with their kids, riding with earphones, etc. Also, some parents have been dropping kids off in the teacher's parking lot in the rear of the building. This creates an unsafe environment for all and kids need to be dropped off in the front of the building.

Octoberfest is Oct. 22 from 5-7 and the purpose is family engagement. All members of the family are welcome to play bingo, eat chili, and meet with teachers and staff.

Fun Night is Oct. 23 and is run by student council. It is for CJ kids only.

If anyone would like to take charge of the gym shirt/shorts ordering or the Spirit wear (we now have gym shorts with logo), they are encouraged to talk to Mandee or Heather.

Next PAC meeting is Thursday, November 5th at 8:30 in the cafeteria.