

PTO Meeting Minutes 10/2/2026

8:20AM

Early start due to Service Run

Speaker: Dr. Thomason

Core Values: I came here in 2004, we had 2066 people in the school, now we have 3862. Board at the time said we need to capture what we are about and started working on the Core Values. It took 2 years and was finished 12-06-2010. The document is divided into 5 different areas, Roots, Trunk, Branches, Leaves, and Fruit.

Document can be found on the EXPLORER TCA Button. Thank you, parents, for your dedication to TCA with your Time, Treasure, Talent.

Speaker: Lindy Keffer Advancement Officer

I do the fundraising for the school. I'm a TCA Parent as well. Our teachers receive 18-20% less pay than Dist. 20 teachers because we are a charter school and the finance structure is different. The Annual Fund Giving: 75-80% of the fund goes right back to the teachers/staff. 2nd year Staff Members get a \$1300 bonus this month. In the Spring, the underspent budget also gets sent to teachers as well. Teachers are so grateful. Today, Lindy brought copies of the Annual Report. We have a wonderful CFO that budgets well for our school.

Business: Steph Polenz,

1. Reading of Our Mission Statement
2. All of the wonderful things the PTO accomplished the last two months
3. Minutes from September (Approved)
4. Staff Appreciation Week(SAW)- Jill Dannenbring Spoke: We Need two leaders for each lunch: April 21-27th Wednesday-Tuesday Sign up will be at next PTO Meeting. The responsibilities are less this year because the PTO structured a little different this year.
5. In N Out was a huge success! 560 burgers! We raised around \$3,000! PTO treated 25 staff members. Thank you to DJ Cassie Carrigan. And HUGE shout out to parents for your patience in line!
6. Spirit Wear-distributed, we raised over \$4,000! Thanks to Amanda Hilsebeck for the design and making the flyer.
7. Next fundraiser: Air City 360-SAVE THE DATE-Nov 13th, 1-3 PM!
8. Jane Blore-Treasurer we have a direct giving link to the PTO. If you can't come to a fundraiser, you can always donate to the link-will find out if it is a tax deductible donation.
9. Funds request #1: Coach Kuyper hefty containers for gym equipment from Amazon \$129.98 -Approved
10. Funds request #2: Pretzels were Approved for Coach Kuyper through online vote for today's Service Run

11. Birthday blessings day- Friday the 30th 12:30pm-1:30PM! Be on the lookout for a sign up to help celebrate the staff!
12. SUNSHINE Lunch: Next one is Thursday November 5th. Thanks to Thania for the treat table this last Monday. Patty Gould is taking over the TLC and Sarah Dins is taking over Sunshine Lunch. Still looking for one more helper for the The Teacher's Lounge.
13. Titan of the Year Committee: Jess Lohmeyer was on the Committee this year. She helped get nominations this year, Central brought in the most nominations. A wonderful North teacher won, the first TCA Graduate to win the Titan of the Year. You can nominate more than one person. Encourage writing notes throughout the year. In March, you'll get an email to give your nominations.
14. Raffle: 7 items!
15. Thank you to Helen Walters, Anna Glasser, and CP NHS Senior for Child Care and Carrie Loewenstein for the delicious treats.
16. Meeting Adjournment 8:57AM