

Manning PTA General Meeting Minutes 1/17/18

- 1) Welcome & Introductions- We are pleased to have Jeff Hageman join us from the English department. Also present are Jeena Williams, Chris Quiroz, Declan Costelloe, Christine Dempsey, Kim Johnson, Cora Rice, Keila M. Carrion Trinidad, Amber Bougher
- 2) Approval of Minutes- The minutes from the November 2017 General Meeting were approved by consensus.
- 3) Principal's Report- The Chromebooks are in use, and the teachers are happy that the students have them. It saves time for students and teachers. The Make Your Voices Heard survey will be done next week. Jeena shared that enrollment forms have been steadily rolling in, and she is encouraging more to show the need for future building improvements. Manning is in the process of hiring 10 new teachers, with some flexibility in what they could teach. Manning is waiting to hear about more cottages- if we can get more, then teachers won't have to share classrooms. Traffic flow- an additional drop-off lane will be added.
- 4) President's Report-
- 5) Nominating Committee – The nominating committee is in place and will be prepared to make their recommendations via email.
- 6) Scholarship Committee – We will soon send information to the 5 nearest High Schools- Arvada West, Golden, Lakewood, Ralston Valley, and Wheat Ridge, and add the files to our website, and spread the word on the e blast and FB page. Keila has graciously offered to help with the committee.
- 7) Talent Show- the date is Friday, 3/17. Auditions and rehearsals will be held starting Friday, February 16. The PTA will pay for the program printing, about \$250.
- 8) Committee Reports- Battle of the Books, Vocabulary.com contest (Jeff Hageman),
Robotics- Options were discussed for next year. Some of the suggestions are teaming with a nearby High School, bringing in Lego robotics to the school, or forming an elective Robotics class. More discussion to follow.
CERT- Classes will run twice a week for four weeks beginning February 6. We will evaluate doing more with CERT after the initial session.

- 9) Treasurer's Report- The Budget numbers have not changed significantly since the November meeting. The PTA will implement a fundraiser to help pay for both new lockers (\$50,000) for the 7th graders and new seating and other possible improvements (\$50,000 plus \$30,000 for asbestos abatement) to the auditorium. There was also discussion about adding microwaves in the cafeteria in the next weeks. Cameras and equipment for Video announcements can be added to Wish List items.
- 10) Approvals- The PTA voted to increase the amount of the 2 Annual Scholarships to \$500 each.
- 11) Next Meeting: February 21, 5.00pm