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CALL TO ORDER – please see attendees at the end of the minutes

OFFICERS REPORT

Principal's Report – Mike DeBellis

- Just finished iReady testing for 2nd thru 5th grade students. Testing went well and no glitches.
- 3x year, data will be displayed in the hallway showcase.
- Raffle competition "Catch your child doing homework". Entries are low. We overlooked part of this. When the emails initially went out didn't click on "Teachers" so they did not know the deadline. There will be an email sent out to teachers tomorrow to encourage students.
- Bulletin Board with house pictures to help families support at home.
- Save The Date: Math Night November 15th 5:30 6:30 pm
 - Teachers will park at VCMS and will shuttle for Math Night.
 - Looking into getting shuttle bus for families that can't drive/don't have a car.
 - Will do loop through town.
 - Will look to do for future events if works well for Math Night.
- School Governance Council Meeting
 - o talked about ideas to get involvement
 - o talked about parking cause for lower turnout at events.
 - Parents voted. Who was selected? Will parents be able to find out?

<u>President's Report</u> – Angela Fredrickson

- Found someone to take over the appreciation committee, Becca Thorns-Barker. Her first order of business will be teacher appreciation week.
- Yankee Candle Fall fundraiser
 - This year we did \$2,500 in online sales. In comparison to \$600 in online sales last year.
 - This year we did \$5,800 in catalog sales. In comparison to \$3,400 in catalog sales last year.
 - Pick up will be before thanksgiving.
- Trunk or Treat
 - Currently have 12 cars participating. It's going on rain or shine.
 - Will need orange cones to block off parking lot
 - Do we have a count for kids and the number of families attending?
 - So far 41 kids total. Anglea will send out an email by Wednesday with the number of kids attending.
 - o Can walk-in families attend? Yes they can.
 - o Communicate to families that the building will be locked and there will be no bathroom.
- Moe's October 25th 5pm 9pm 15% of sales.
 - You need to show your flyer when you go. Can you show the flyer on your phone or do you need a physical copy of flyer?
 - Flyers will be going home in the next day or two.

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2ND Vice President's Report - Diane Sirois and Anne Timbrell

- On behalf of teachers and staff, thank you to the PTO for all that you do.
- Trunk or Treat Why is there a charge for people decorating their trunks then having to pay to participate in treating? What is the incentive to decorate your car?
 - PTO has gift cards and goodies for those that are participating.
 - Attendees will receive a ballot and people will get to vote for the top three cars.
 - Feedback, as a parent, I would pay more to treat than to decorate my car. There's the cost to decorate the car and purchase candy.
- 3rd grade is interested in getting Christine Boyer the author to come in for our students. The funding is covered through the PTO.
- The 3rd grade is interested in going on additional field trips and the PTO funding the trips.
 - CRS Administration is covering the cost of field trip transportation the PTO is no longer funding that.

Secretary's Report - Nichole Greco

- Meeting attendees add Caroline Cooke
- Adjust the transfer of treasure to Kerri not Raychel.
- With the updates made to the September meeting notes the September meeting minutes. approved.

Treasurer's Report - Kerri Hermanson

- We received our first gift card check
- Color run payout
- Ice cream social broke even \$319 under ice cream social.
- Received donations
- \$250 refund from leslie johnson
- Deposit for 5th grade field trip
- RHS marching band paid.
- Motion to approve approved treasure report.

Board of Education - Laurie Bajorek

- The BOE had a meeting this week regarding presentation on teacher evals. School safety. Addressed superintendent's review.
- This may be Laurie's last CRS PTO meeting. Laurie is running for re-election as a member on the Board of Education.
- The BOE likely make the notification after the election on november 7th, who is CRS BOE liaison.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Book Fair Lisa Traska
 - We didn't do as good as our December Book Fair. Had to close due to no volunteers. We were down about \$1,500. We appreciate everyone's help. Used the scholastic dollars to purchase all of Kindergarten and part of 1st grade (1 teacher left) summer reading books. We used the remaining \$35 for 3rd-4th grade. Lisa has a list of teachers she still needs to purchase for. The rest of the summer reading books will be purchase at the Spring Book Fair.
 - Tentatively the week of April 23rd for the Spring Book Fair.
 - Took more in scholastic dollars this year than in previous \$1200 to cover for all summer reading. Buy one get one, no returns.
- Ice Cream Social Raychel Wishart
 - MD, Did parents like the get to know you games? And the bingo games?
 - We notices a lot of parents were doing the bingo games. It was nice having kids interacting with other kids they didn't know. Parents did not know of the games that were available on the tables.
 - We had a lot of ice cream left over, 1 \(^3\)4 tubs. We ran out of sprinkles. We got an extra tub of ice cream because we ran out last year.
 - We had a total of 150 CRS students and 173 paid.
 - o Look into other ice cream vendors for next year.
- Paint Nite Fundraiser Nichole Greco
 - This is an adult only fundraiser held on Wednesday, November 29th at Tomato Joe's.
 The tickets are \$45 per person. Space is limited, tickets need to be purchased by November 15th.
- Square 1 Art Lisa Traska
 - Square 1 is being handed off to Lisa for the orders. There will be a notification when Square 1 orders will be sent home.

NEW IDEAS/BUSINESS/VOTES REQUIRED

- Vendor Fair Lisa Traska/Megan Ross
 - o Expand the Vendor Fair to multiple vendors in the same category
 - The first weekend in december maybe second weekend. Either Friday night or Saturday.
 - PTO Agreed December 1st Friday 5-8 (set-up at 5) The Vendor Fair would run from 6:30-8:30 pm.
 - \$30 if you use our table
 - \$25 if you bring your own.
 - Should we charge a fee for electricity?
 - Parents can drop their child off in the library to watch a movie for \$1.00 and we could charge \$1.00 for snacks.

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- Marathon Race, asking about holding a pasta dinner the night before the race. The PTO has nothing to do with the marathon race. Parent feedback: this year it didn't feel as though it was a community.
- Building Security
 - o Is there a reason why the doors were locked this evening? Central Office has stated that someone needs to man the door if there is a meeting going on at CRS.
 - The REK door in the cafeteria is open every night. Not closed. What about them getting a door with a window?
 - Policy: the door has to stay locked at all times. The doors will be open between the following times 8:00 am 8:15 am and 2:40 pm 3:15 pm

NEXT PTO MEETING DATE November 16th, 2017

Attendees:

Diane Sirois

Anne Timbrell

Nichole Greco

Angela Fredrickson

Laurie Bajorek

Kerri Hermanson

Raychel Wishart

Melissa Saucier

Andrea Boria

Lisa Traska

Carol Line Hazel

Caroline Cooke

Brett Gotlier

Melissa Fabuien

Giulietta O'Coin

Mike DeBellis