

# 2014-2015 General PTO Meeting

# MINUTES

Date: February 9, 2015

Time: 6 pm, Library

Attendees: Kristie Allen, Kelley Brunner, Norene Goldstone, Janice Osieja, Jill Rees, Joan Roth, Janet Schwertley, Heather Smith, Elise Kearney, Laura Wintemute, Marni Bealer, Christie Strack, Lisa Abeln, Jen Ensley, Diane Hayes, Robert Bown, Jennifer Sanchez, Bernadette Marshall, Susan Bell, Arlen Sykes, Tammy Thaete



## Centennial Middle School

Linda Scoville  
Dean of Students

Linda introduced herself to the group. She is the 7<sup>th</sup> grade Dean of Students. She had 3 children go through the Kyrene Schools. One is now a teacher at Mountain Pointe, one graduated from ASU and the 3<sup>rd</sup> is a senior at Mountain Pointe. She previously taught at Lomas and was a student advisor at both Lagos and Cielo.

Centennial is the only school in the Kyrene School District that is on a different schedule. This schedule allows the teacher to have not only planning time but professional learning time. School Hours are 8:30-3:30 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Wednesday is early release and students leave at 2:00.

Students have exploratory in both the AM and PM. Some of the exploratory classes are art, band, chorus, computer media, theater, Spanish, PE, orchestra, health and fitness.

Centennial also has the Sabercat Society Club which includes frisbee, flag football, yoga and babysitting.

Students can participate in Learning Lab every morning from 7:30-8 am. During Learning Lab they can use computers, finish homework and get assistance if needed.

This year, Centennial has the lowest number of disciplinary problems within the Kyrene School District.

There are 3 Pods per grade level and 4 teachers per pod. Each Pod will have advanced and traditional students. Resource students are typically broken up into 2 teams per grade level. Students have 7 classes total (math, language arts, science, social studies, 2 exploratory classes and academic lab).

Four schools feed into Centennial (Lomas, Colina, Esperanza and some of Milenio).

Grade Levels are grouped together. All of 6<sup>th</sup> grade are located in the enclosed building.

<p>Centennial offers both JV and Varsity sports in all seasons. Sports include Cross Country, Track, Wrestling, Cheer Team, Basketball, Baseball, Softball, Volleyball, and Soccer.</p>	
<p><b>Upcoming Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Smoothie Sales - 2/11</li> <li>• Father Daughter Dance with food from Can't Stop Smokin and Kneaders – 2/13 6-8 pm</li> <li>• Moms and Muffins – 2/20 at 7 am. Enter school in the J Door and don't forget your ID's.</li> <li>• Macayo's Family Dinner Night – all day 2/24</li> <li>• Family Movie Night - 2/27 from 5-8 pm. Several food trucks (Grilled Cheese, Hot Dogs, BBQ and possibly Waffle). Movie is Big Hero 6; movie is outside so bring your chairs and blankets. Movie will be shown on a blow up big screen.</li> </ul> <p>PTO is starting to sell tickets to the Disneyland Raffle. Raffle tickets are being sold for the following: \$4 for 1 ticket; \$20 for 6. Prices will increase at the basket auction on March 27<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>Janet is looking for 5 parent volunteers for the Movie Night. A sign up genius email will be sent making the request.</p>	<p>Janet Schwertley President</p>
<p><b>Budget</b></p> <p>Colina has made the following:</p> <p>Box Tops - \$701.70 Smoothies - \$859.06 Direct Donations - \$6,055.27 Frys Shopping Rewards - \$2,287.71 Safeway escrip - \$109.01 Target - \$643.79 Family Dinner Night - \$1,312.62.</p> <p>Colina earned \$3,457.57 in Scholastic Dollars. These dollars will go towards library books, reading wall books etc.</p>	<p>Jill Rees Treasurer</p>
<p><b>District Budget</b></p> <p>Mrs. Brunner informed the group that the Kyrene School District needs to reduce their budget by \$5.5 million dollars. This dollar amount will be split up among schools and district departments. Colina specifically needs to reduce their budget by \$55,212. Mrs. Brunner discussed this with her teachers and</p>	<p>Kelley Brunner Principal</p>

<p>they are trying to figure out a way to make this reduction without affecting the student learning.</p> <p>Each school needs to put a plan together on how they could reduce their school budget. Each school proposal is due to the district by 2/27 for the Kyrene CFO to review.</p> <p>Once our proposal is complete Mrs. Brunner will ask the PTO for assistance in money for possibly supplies, printing etc. to offset budget.</p> <p>This will most likely be brought to a vote at the May General PTO meeting.</p>	
<p><b>Attendance Door Prize Drawing</b></p> <p>Marni Bealer was the winner of the School Yearbook.</p>	<p>Kristie Allen President</p>