



**Executive Board Meeting
Van Arsdale Elementary School PTSA
7535 Alkire Street
Arvada, Colorado 80005
Sept 21, 2016
4:15 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER:

The PTSA Executive Board meeting of Van Arsdale Elementary School was called to order Sept. 21, 2016, in the school library at 4:16 P.M. by President, Michelle Lucero. Secretary, Lindsay Shaw, recorded the minutes.

ATTENDANCE

19 members were in attendance with Executive Committee: President, Michelle Lucero; Vice-President, Trina Burton; Vice-President, Jodi Steinwagner; Treasurer, Dawn Joselyn; Secretary, Lindsay Shaw; Principal, Susan Chapla, Cathi Kruse, Lana Hearne, Kelly Donovan Pugh, Amy Grounsell, Kristen Gray, Janelle Fuller, Debbie Sarensen, Michelle McHugh, Liz Telk, Tami Thompson, Sarah Demers, Kasey Vair, Tiffany Herron

Introductions all around

**OFFICER
REPORTS:**

President: Focus of meeting today is this year's budget-

Vice-President: Trina Burton- Silent Auction Update: classroom competition will be held for most donated items. At the auction starting bid for all items will be at ½ value.

Vice-President:

Secretary: Approval of August meeting minutes.

Treasurer: Budget Overview- see attached. A few selected items were discussed- Michelle McHugh clarified what CCBA is (Colorado ??? I missed this-does anyone know?). Excel Program explanation- covers different items for each grade level (ex. Ranger Pam, and Johnny Appleseed). Mountaineer fund explanation- fund for kids who can't afford field trips. Run with Rocky- Mrs Chapla wonders if \$1600 is too high of a budget amount for this. Lana explained that that event also makes about \$1600- it is considered a "break even event". There has been discussion for the Run with Rocky to move to fall or possibly become a "color event". Janelle suggested that 3W has contacted her in regards to possibly helping with a run program at Van Arsdale.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussed some possible items in which some fundraiser money might possibly go towards in the future... Examples follow: Possible temporary line item to increase Excel Funds or create an alternate of Excel to help supplement teacher classroom budgets. Cathi Kruse- Mrs. Russ asked PTSA for \$600 for Social Studies curriculum books, we as a board would like to see her receive the full \$1200 needed to buy the books. They are Colorado History books that could be used in any grade levels for various CO history subjects. Michelle Lucero- Possibly get water bottle filler stations at the water fountains. Possibly upgrade playground with some monkey bars as they were removed to accommodate the preschool playground, and many students miss the monkey bars. Mrs. Chapla will make a phone call to the district to see where our old monkey bars went- maybe we can get them back and install them elsewhere. Trina Burton suggested that we send out a "Survey Monkey" or something similar to see what the community would like to see PTSA do with extra funds. Mrs. Chalpa brought up lead report school just received. There was lead found in a few pipes/sinks (no water fountains) within Van Arsdale. Highest amount was found in clinic sink. All have been or will be fixed by Friday, Sept 23. Also, she wrote a letter last year to Hunter Douglas for new blinds- they just responded today, and want to donate free blinds to the school. They are white or beige honeycomb blinds. They are cordless for safety for kids. They would be for the classroom doors and windows where needed. A parent suggested we check into warranty for the new blinds as her experience with the honeycomb type showed that they were very fragile- will look into, although since they are free there is most likely no warranty. Mrs. Chapla discussed enrollment numbers- changing still daily. Currently at 448 students. October 5 is our 'Student Count Day'. Last yr 451, so that is what we are aiming for. The district grants school

\$4600/student. There has been an increase this year in what the district is donating in regards to free/reduced students. Last yr we received \$46,150, and this year we will receive \$47,450 despite we have less free/reduced students this year. Kindergarten revenue is good this year. We had planned for 33 full kinder students, but actually have 38 full kinder students. School receives \$2700/yr for each full day kindergarten student (\$102,600 2016-17 yr). 5-6pm is Vault (School Accountability meeting) and Mrs. Chapla will be going more in depth with this data. A parent asked if Spirit Wear is for something special- explained Spirit Wear is for anytime. Fridays are teacher spirit wear day, and students sometimes join in, or Broncos Friday, and hats are acceptable to wear on Fridays.

MOTION VOTE:

Michelle Lucero called for a motion to approve yearly budget. Trina Burton 1st. Jodi Steinwagner 2nd. All in favor. Lindsay Shaw called for a motion to approve meeting minutes from August 2016 meeting. Trina B. 1st. Jodi S. 2nd. All in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Upcoming events.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 5:01 P.M.

Lindsay Shaw, Secretary

Approved: _____
Date: _____