



Colfax K-8
Parent-Teacher Organization
<https://colfaxpto.org/>
Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2019
Pittsburgh Colfax K-8, Room 219



Ross Ingram, PTO President, called meeting to order at 6:35pm

Meeting Summary:

Board Members Present: Mitch Franzos, Sarah Grubb, Ross Ingram, Dr. Woods, and Mrs. Bauchman

Community Members Present: <not recorded>

PTO President Report. Reviewed purpose of the PTO. Reviewed goals of PTO: \$100,000 fundraising and encouraging new volunteers.

Colfax Principal Report.

Colfax will be adding a sixth kindergarten classroom as part of the PPS District's yearly "leveling" process. About 18 students from the current five kindergarten classrooms will be moved into this new classroom. The new kindergarten teacher is scheduled to start on October 29.

The PPS District's survey requesting feedback from Colfax families on the conditions of their school's facilities. To date, 62 Colfax families have responded. Colfax families are encouraged to respond; the PTO President took an action to use the PTO's various communication mechanisms to encourage participation by going to the link www.pghschools.org/PPSColfaxParentSurvey

PTO Treasury Report. Reviewed budget. Highlighted expenses and revenue.

Significant Updates. Refurbished PTO website promoted. Fiesta Potluck Community Event completed with good attendance. Run Shadyside 5K Fundraiser completed with good participation for "Team Colfax"; revenue being tallied. Homeroom Reps are in-place with volunteers needed for just a few teachers remaining. Colfax K-8 handbook updated and posted on the PTO website.

Upcoming Events. Family Movie Night Community Event scheduled for October 25 @ 5:30pm @ Colfax. Spiritwear Fundraiser deliveries targeted by the end of October. Colfax Directory deliveries are targeted by end of October via backpack mail. PTO's Summary of Colfax Community Feedback will be published in the forthcoming Colfax Communicator newsletter. Colfax Communicator Newsletter deliveries by end of October via backpack mail. Ask-Drive Fundraiser will start mid-November.

New Business. Motion presented and approved: Cassie Quigley will evaluate the feasibility of Colfax families providing support for student participation in an after-school Science Club (like the Carnegie Mellon University's "Science Squad"). Ms. Quigley will follow-up with PTO President to discuss next steps ahead of the next PTO community meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25.