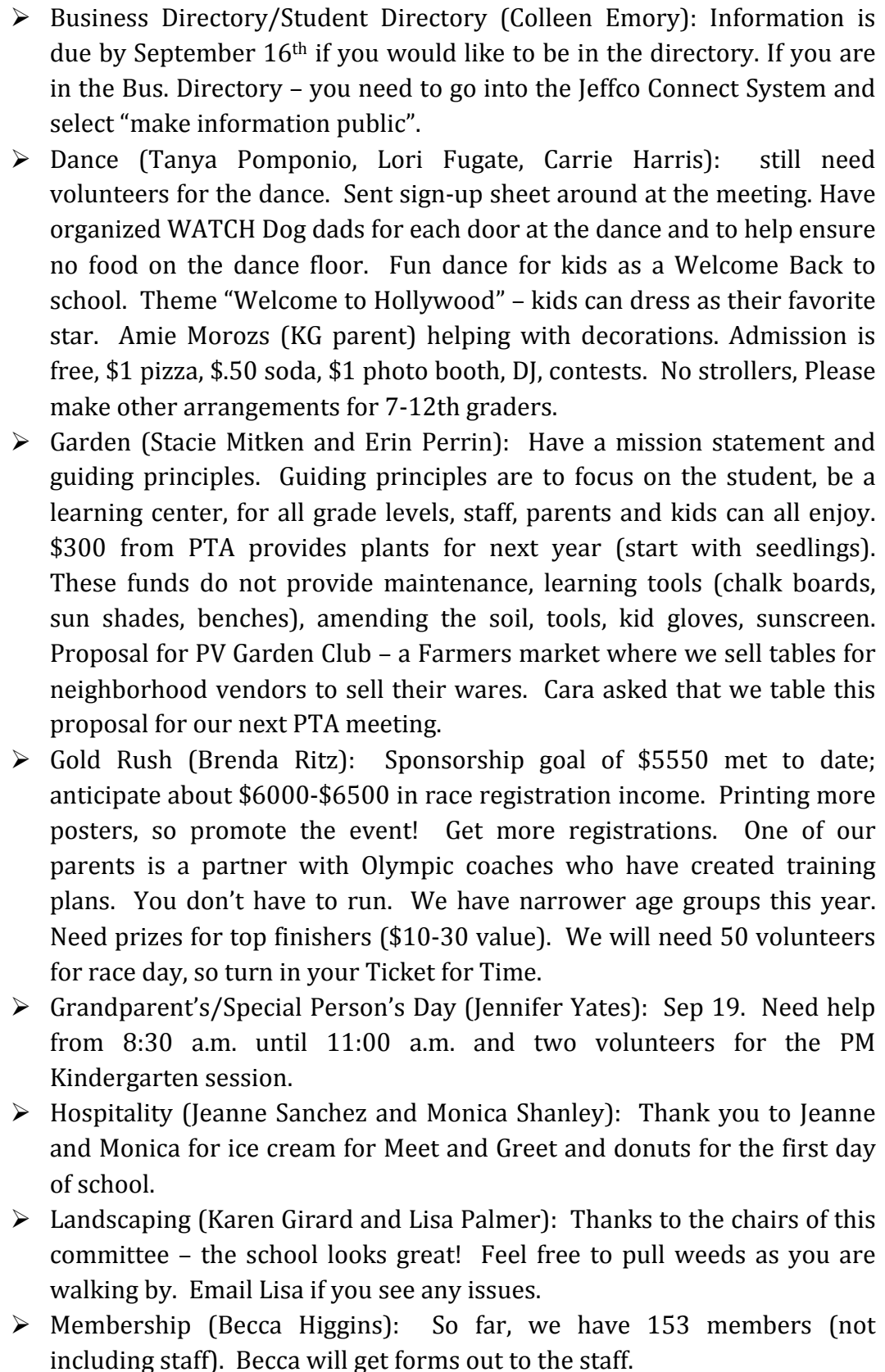


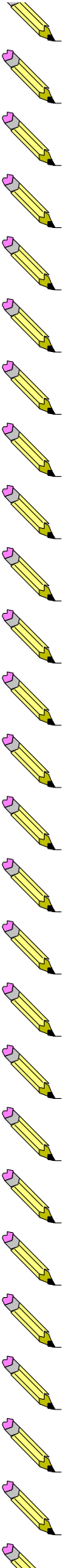
Prospect Valley PTA September 5, 2013 General PTA Business Meeting 3:00-4:15

- I. Call meeting to order (3:00)
- II. Welcome and introductions: went around the room for introductions
- III. Reading and approval of the May minutes: Minutes approved
- IV. Reports of Officers
 - President's report (Cara Jakab): Thanks to Erin Perrin & Stacie Mintken for the delicious bread made from the garden and the fruits and veggies for the meeting. Capital campaign goal is \$25K by end of December. Total to date is \$8225 – 32% of goal! Thanks to all who have helped already this year.
 - President Elect's report (Jennifer Hess): 2- 6th grade babysitters needed for meetings. (paid \$10) Sign-up sheet went around for helpers. Snack sign up went around for snacks for adults and kids during PTA meetings. Reminder that kids need to be well behaved in the computer room during PTA meetings.
 - Vice President's report (Mike Collins): Smooth start to the school year. New pilot program this year – Peer Evaluation. Currently meeting with teachers and firming up the program. First fire drill happened this week and went well. Received check from Target for \$912 from the Target card program. School Dance is Friday September 13th. Special Person's Day is September 19th. Curriculum Night was last week – and crowd was smaller this year. Open to feedback on how to improve Curric. Night and get a better turnout. Enrollment is up this year to 516 students. TCAP growth scores are in the high 60 & 70th percentiles. New compressor for the AC unit was delivered – hoping will feel the improvement soon. Thanks for all the parent involvement and support.
 - Treasure's report (Heather Kennedy and Heidi Olivera): June 30th is fiscal year end. From the audit report – last year's beginning balance \$26,113.91, \$69,781.33 added during the year, \$72,907.34 spent during the year, \$22,987.90 cash on hand as of June 30th. Every month we need to have a volunteer audit our checkbook (required as a checks and balance & to maintain insurance). Melissa Anderson volunteered to help audit. If you need a cash receipt verification form (when you turn in money you have collected) you get one in the PTA bin in the office or on our Web site. Reviewed this year's proposed budget. Question regarding WATCH Dogs \$600 line item. It will be an annual item and is needed to provide t-shirts for volunteers and 2 annual parties promoting safety. Cara mentioned the importance of financially setting up this program for success to sustain it long term – especially since one of our goals at PV is a

safe environment for our kids. Motion to approve proposed budget with adjustments – motion approved.

- V. Technology Update and Fall Book Fair (Amy O'Neill): Fall book fair made \$1900 in profit. Technology Budget Request – 1st Choice – 10 Ipads, otterboxes & styli (\$4958.11) 30 Chromebooks (\$7725) Total = \$12,825. 2nd Choice – 5 Ipads, otterboxes & styli (\$2700) 21 Chromebooks (\$5475.50) Total = \$8107.50. These items will be used to help with the Dibels testing and be used with PARCC testing as well. Currently teachers do entry by hand and it is difficult – with the Ipads and Chromebooks it will be more efficient and synced immediately with the Jeffco Amplify site. Question was posed as to whether or not this technology will be viable for these tests in the next few years if we are to spend money on them. According to the district Ipads, Chromebooks, laptops and desktops will be used for the PARCC testing for the next few years and the software is updated online. Motion to pass the Technology Budget Request – motion passed.
- VI. Old Business: (Cara Jakab)Destination Imagination – still need liaison; liaison role is to be the connection between the State, District, and individual teams and ensures information is filtered as needed. Also provides training for leaders, instant challenge ideas, and supports kids at tournaments. DI Challenge changes annually. Parking Lot-Attendants still needed for both Pierson & Parfet; role is to lead and organize the schedule and recruit people to help. 15 minute commitment before and after school. Guy Nahmiach proposed hiring someone to fill these roles – kids would see the same person daily and the attendant would get to know the drivers. Jeffco has a training program for crossing guards. See Mr. Collins if you have a solution for the parking lot.
- VII. New Business (Cara Jakab)
- Staff Support - Heather Graf is still in charge of Staff Support – her name accidentally got left off the Chairperson list and has been added back on.
 - The Flash – If you need to put something in the flash please send it to Cara by Wednesday 10:00 a.m. so that she may get it to Denise by Wednesday afternoon.
 - 6th grade parents/chairing – will address at next meeting.
 - Spirit Wear – Jillian Jacobs has volunteered to organize.
- VIII. Reports of Committees
- Advocacy Update (Rebekah Brown) – Amendment 66 – overhaul of how Colorado finances education. Colorado currently spends \$1,726 less per student than the national average. Colorado PTA has endorsed this amendment. Rebekah puts updates on facebook page. Ask her if you have any questions. Jeffco Board has 3 open seats – general election is held for open seats. Meeting regarding the open seats will be held Monday, September 9th at Green Mtn. HS (9News Moderating meeting).

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- Business Directory/Student Directory (Colleen Emory): Information is due by September 16th if you would like to be in the directory. If you are in the Bus. Directory – you need to go into the Jeffco Connect System and select “make information public”.
 - Dance (Tanya Pomponio, Lori Fugate, Carrie Harris): still need volunteers for the dance. Sent sign-up sheet around at the meeting. Have organized WATCH Dog dads for each door at the dance and to help ensure no food on the dance floor. Fun dance for kids as a Welcome Back to school. Theme “Welcome to Hollywood” – kids can dress as their favorite star. Amie Morozs (KG parent) helping with decorations. Admission is free, \$1 pizza, \$.50 soda, \$1 photo booth, DJ, contests. No strollers, Please make other arrangements for 7-12th graders.
 - Garden (Stacie Mitken and Erin Perrin): Have a mission statement and guiding principles. Guiding principles are to focus on the student, be a learning center, for all grade levels, staff, parents and kids can all enjoy. \$300 from PTA provides plants for next year (start with seedlings). These funds do not provide maintenance, learning tools (chalk boards, sun shades, benches), amending the soil, tools, kid gloves, sunscreen. Proposal for PV Garden Club – a Farmers market where we sell tables for neighborhood vendors to sell their wares. Cara asked that we table this proposal for our next PTA meeting.
 - Gold Rush (Brenda Ritz): Sponsorship goal of \$5550 met to date; anticipate about \$6000-\$6500 in race registration income. Printing more posters, so promote the event! Get more registrations. One of our parents is a partner with Olympic coaches who have created training plans. You don’t have to run. We have narrower age groups this year. Need prizes for top finishers (\$10-30 value). We will need 50 volunteers for race day, so turn in your Ticket for Time.
 - Grandparent’s/Special Person’s Day (Jennifer Yates): Sep 19. Need help from 8:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. and two volunteers for the PM Kindergarten session.
 - Hospitality (Jeanne Sanchez and Monica Shanley): Thank you to Jeanne and Monica for ice cream for Meet and Greet and donuts for the first day of school.
 - Landscaping (Karen Girard and Lisa Palmer): Thanks to the chairs of this committee – the school looks great! Feel free to pull weeds as you are walking by. Email Lisa if you see any issues.
 - Membership (Becca Higgins): So far, we have 153 members (not including staff). Becca will get forms out to the staff.

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- Reflections (Tracy Langworthy): not in attendance – will discuss at the next meeting.
 - Room Parents (Janene Martinsen): A couple of classrooms still need room parents. The list will be out in the Flash next week.
 - Tickets for Time (Monica Shanley): Due next week; drop them off at the office or send them back in the Monday folder. Thank you to those who have turned that in.
 - Walk to School Day (Tracy Langworthy and Sarah Reeves): not in attendance – will discuss at the next meeting.
 - Watch Dog Dads (Veronica McDonough): Sep 26, 6:30 pm kickoff pizza party to recruit new WatchDOGS and promote the program.

IX. Adjournment (4:17)

Dates to remember:

September 10th: Picture Day

September 27th: Early Release at 12:15 and Aluminum recyc

September 13th: School Dance 6-8 p.m.

October 1st: Official 1-Day Count – BE AT SCHOOL

September 19th: Special Person's Day

October 3rd: Next PTA Meeting – 3:00 – See you then ☺

September 19th: Accountability 3:00

October 9th: International Walk/Bike to School