The agenda for the meeting is below:

Welcome: Kami Huntsman

Treasurer:

Treasurer Monthly Report

Income from last month came from
   Amazon Smile
   T-shirts
   Wendy’s Spirit Night
   Memberships
   No Bill from the ice cream truck yet.

Principal report

Open Positions at Calvin Smith -
   Substitute Teachers needed daily
   Playground Aid MWF 11-1

SEP Reminder

FTE - preserving a teacher spot due to low numbers in Dual Immersion this year. Teacher to student Ratio.

Wellness Center Report - Going well, Students can elect to go there for 10 minutes, Check in with the computer to rate how they are feeling.

Clubs and Programs update - Girls on the run is meeting Tuesday and Thursday afterschool. Not school sponsored. Contact mrs. Tibbits for information.

Choir is Starting for 3,4,5 grades on wednesday mornings for a holiday concert
Orchestra Tuesday/thursday mornings
Band Monday and Wednesday mornings.
Lego League will be starting Wednesday after school for 4th and 5th grades. Competition is in the spring.
Lionhead dance team will be starting soon.
COVID-19 Masks are encouraged! Test to stay at 30 cases  Assemblies are separated with upper and lower grades.

School Fundraiser - starts Oct 4th  Spooktacular Readathon in October.
Halloween Parade and class parties Oct 29th

Someone asked about updating the School website and we have a tech specialist this year to help with the website and social media accounts.. Make sure you are following all of them and are on bloomz to get the most updated info about events.

Teacher Rep Report

Insight or needs from the faculty.
   Be patient with the teachers. We are all doing ourbest.
Most teachers now have room parents now but would appreciate any help in the classrooms if you’d like to help.
Business/Action Items:

Teacher Grants-
5th Grade - Dr Moore only $250 The purpose of this grant will be to purchase grade level books for my classroom library. Students love to read new and popular books in the classroom. This grant will provide reading choices for more students. 5th Grade level books from Scholastic (we can get discounted books, book sets, and points for future purchases). Books will be purchased immediately or by 10/1. Willing to utilize Scholastic Dollars and purchase through the bookfair.

Approved: Motion to Approve : Megan Rowley 2nd Cyndi Beck

2nd Grade - ALL classes $335 - The purpose of this grant is to supply the second grade team with copies of Scholastic News to use with their students to supplement literacy, social studies, and science instruction.. This grant will make it possible for students to have high quality and high interest informational text to improve their reading comprehension skills while also learning about social studies and science topics. We've used magazines like this in years past, and we've appreciated how Scholastic News helps the students use text features authentically. The students also grow in their love for reading because the articles are so interesting. The two teachers who share each class set will take turns sending home the magazines with students to continue reading at home.

Approved: Motion to Approve Mindi Dearden 2nd Karen Yorgensen

Reading Specialist - Heather Hales All students $300 - To purchase “R Therapy Techniques & Strategies manual, Evidence Based Language Intervention manual, and Card decks for students presenting with phonological processes - fronting/backing, initial- and final- consonant deletion, and cluster reduction" The purpose is to provide a range of materials that can be used to enhance the speech therapy program at Calvin Smith. These materials will range from instructional material on techniques and strategies for articulation errors, evidence-based language intervention suggestions and therapy materials/cards for students. The R therapy manual will be used to assist in finding different ways to help students who struggle with /r/ production and may need a less traditional way of addressing the speech sound error. The language intervention book will be used to provide teachers with explicit instructions for students they are concerned may have a language disorder. Lastly, the card decks will be used for students who have severe phonological process substitution errors that are targeted differently than a single speech sound error. It will provide visual cues of how their substitution errors affect the meaning of what they are saying.

Approved : Motion to Approve Stephanie White, 2nd Heather Walden

Follow-up on Discussions

PTA Board Updates:
Board Vacancies- Will form a Nominating Committee in October. Will be in search of President Elect and Treasurer to be presented for a vote in March for the 2022-2024 school years.
If you want to be one of these position please don’t offer to be on the nominating committee.
New Board Position - Arts Chair - Track and inventory PTA purchased musical instruments and arts materials, Great Artist program, and other art related items. Reflections program is not included in the Arts Chair Position.

Great Artist Program is a Board Position, however this program is going to be taught to students every Tuesday during PLC times. The Great Artist Budget will be utilized to purchase materials for use in the classroom. PLC teacher may still need volunteers to help teach the program in classrooms every Tuesday.

Follow-up on permanent garbage can on school property - Sweepers to check for outdoor debris once a week, students incentivised to earn SOAR tickets at recess for trash pick-up, and Mrs. McDonald and I are checking with the District regarding other school’s with permanent garbage can.

Social and Emotional help for students - How do we want to implement? Here are some resources I looked into that may be helpful to share in our school.

- South Kearn’s Website has some amazing resources for Social and Emotional learning. https://schools.graniteschools.org/southkearns/social-emotional-learning/. There is a tip of the month that teaches students some fundamentals.
- Utah State Board of Education program Safe and Healthy Schools - https://www.schools.utah.gov/safehealthyschools
- Kelso’s choice for decision making https://kelsoschoice.com/

FEVER - Active Listening poster
Heather Walden presented a Martial Arts Anti bullying program for the entire school for possible Tuesday during PLC time. Or evening Kick off.

Review Past Events:
Back to School Bash- downpour but successful! Still no bill from ice cream company
New Wing Bulletin Board for Student of the Month - each student did a feather
SOAR Week - we had 159 coloring pages turned in and hung around the school - slap bracelet prize
Wendy’s Spirit Night generated $148
T-shirt Orders - We had 475+ items ordered, supplier problems, hoping to have delivered asap this week
Spirit Night at Chick-fil-A Taylorsville eared $263.70
We received a $25 grant to honor 20 years of service since 9/11/2001 - students wrote thank you cards to current first responders, active military, and veterans through Operation Gratitude. Total of 162 card were made by Calvin Smith Students
Membership Drive and prize baskets - 3 Faculty winners (Pryor, McDonald, Bontempo) and 10 Winners for parents - extending the deadline until September 30th.
Girls on the Run - Mrs. Tibbitts is in charge and we are encouraging people to participate. Meetings on Tuesday and Thursday from 3:45-5 PM
Upcoming events

Emergency kits to be updated and replenished with fresh snacks, water, and flashlights

Scholastic Book Fair Sept 29-30th 3:30 to 7 PM both dates. We need volunteers

SEP Dinners provided to Faculty on September 30th

October 5th Granite School Board Meeting 7 PM

Reflection entries due October 8th. We need judges and helpers! Please reach out to Karen Yorgason

October 13th Vision Screening 9:15 AM - We need volunteers!

October 14th @ 5:30-8:30 PM Classic Skate Night - free for all costs the PTA $200

October 26th @ 9 AM PTA General Meeting Tuesday morning

October 26th All day Spirit Day at Handels Ice Cream of Fort Union on 6933 S 1300 E Cottonwood Heights

Oct 26th - 29th RED RIBBON WEEK focused on Substance prevention and anti-bullying.

NAtional Program. Can Switch each year between substance abuse and anti bullying or mix both up throughout the week. It is a 4 day week. Week of Halloween. Micole Mcdermott could use ideas and help.

Studies show that focusing on the positive aspects and not the fear aspects is better.

October 29th Halloween Parade outdoors

No masks, No weapons, Make up is ok as long and you can still tell who the child is.

Volunteering Needs

Some classroom teachers have requested Room Parents and volunteers to be coordinated through a room parent for copies, lamentation, party planning, sign-ups etc. Each teacher that wanted one was sent a bloomz message to post asking for volunteers. Mrs. Pryor is still in need of a Room Parent.

SOAR tickets - Thank you for helping with cutting SOAR tickets - lisha Purcell will be heading this up and will reach out again when more volunteers are needed to cut tickets

Spirit Wear orders need to be fulfilled - date TBA

Book Fair - need helpers see sign-up

Zoom Monitor to monitor the questions and comments from members attending the meetings via zoom. If you are interested please contact The PTA

Vision Screening - Volunteers are needed on October 13th see sign-up

Vinyl in bathrooms needs to be updated - we have list, photos, and vinyl. Ariane Can head it but could use help if you have idea.

New Ideas/Questions/Concerns:

Bully Prevention
School Spirit shout out to the Staff/teachers

School Lunch concerns were brought up
Loud Lunchroom,
Kids not eating food
More volunteers in the lunchroom
Send videos to Parents so they know what is expected at lunch from their kids.
Fruits are not ripe.. It is hard to eat pears when they are hard.
Can recess be before lunch.
Possible Parent volunteer to try food for a week.

Council Level Treasurer needed if anyone is interested.. Cannot currently be a treasurer at a school.

Members in attendance
Kami Huntsman
Cyndi Beck
Ariane Mardis
Megan Rowley
Stephanie White
Stef Basset
Kristy
Charity Huff
Andrea Chan
Mindy Dearden
Liz Cox
Nicole Mcdermott
Karen Yorgensen
Jamie Park
Natalie Adams
Heather Walden
ACTIVE LISTENING

1. FACE the person.
2. Use EYE Contact.
3. Use appropriate VOICE.
4. Use kind EXPRESSION.
5. RELAX.
6. Listen!
7. Respond.