

MINUTES

Coeur d'Alene Charter CPO Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2024 | 8:17AM | Meeting called to order by Laura Meine

In Attendance

Laura Meine, Angela Sullivan, Angela Durick, Laura Beyer, Dolores Duarte, Aaron Lippy, Drew Burfeind
Quorum was met.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were read from the November 1, 2023, meeting and were approved by all.

Board

The board is looking for a new CPO Secretary. President has sent an email to the general list. Laura Beyer will get details and will put it in the school newsletter as well.

Discussion of having our current staff appreciation chairperson, Melissa Stroh, be the vice president. All were in favor, and she will be asked to be our VP for the remainder of the year.

The CPO board would like to fill all board positions and committee chairs for the 2024-25 school year by the end of May. If you are interested in either, please email cdachartercpo@gmail.com.

The current CPO board will be looking at the bylaws and have updated them to be ready for approval at the next general meeting.

Amazon Wish Lists are now added to the CPO website. CPO has received positive feedback from parents. An email was sent to teachers to give directions on how to use the school or their address for shipping. Thus, the parents will not have to deliver what they have purchased. Board needs to send email to Mr. Lippy as well.

Committees/Chairs

Triple Play was a successful night. We profited just over \$2200. Thank you to all our volunteers who helped make this night possible. The next and last Triple Play night of the year is April 19th, 2024.

Vending Machine/Snack Table chair is looking for one more volunteer on Mondays to fill the vending machines.

The lunch Chair needs help on the High School Side. The high school side is less of a time requirement as they don't serve as much food and the high school kids are quick and ready to go. This is a great way to help, and the 3rd quarter is only a 9-day commitment. Please email cdachartercpo@gmail.com if you would like to help and the board will connect you with the chairperson.

Staff appreciation this month is on January 19th. Lasagna, salad, and breadsticks will be available for all staff at 12pm. Thank you again to our amazing chairperson, Melissa, for organizing such great stuff for our staff.

The uniform closet chairs are looking forward to possibly having a sale on the 25th of this month. Faith in the office will send out notifications if this will work for the school.

Staff Reports

Angela Durick and Laura Beyer presented the request for a grant from the CPO to help fund a new logo for the school. The request is in the amount of \$5000.00. The CDA Charter has approved a new website for our school and the administration would like to have a new and updated logo to go along with it. They plan to keep the old logo as a seal (like U of I's seal). The purchase will include cleaning up the current logo for the seal, a new logo, and a new Panther logo. The fonts and colors would all be consistent giving us a more modern and professional look. Other groups would be able to use the logo and add their group name under the logo (i.e. sports, CPO, clubs). Uniforms would slowly be phased out, so parents don't have to worry about the cost of purchasing new uniforms right away. CPO treasurer confirmed that the CPO has the money available in their budget and motioned for the 5K to be approved. Dolores Duarte seconded the motion, and all are in favor. A check will be issued.

Budget

Checking Balance is \$33,811.66

Savings Balance is \$10,004.92

The treasurer motioned to approve the funds in the savings to be moved to a certificate of deposit to earn the most possible amount. Dolores Duarte seconded the motion, and all are in favor. Mountain America was recommended to check out their rates. The board will check a few banks and look for the best rate possible. The certificate will not exceed one year.

The treasurer also mentioned increasing the scholarship budget from \$2K to \$5K. Will look to motion for approval during March meeting.

Finally, discussion of giving staff the option to donate their staff stipend amount to the scholarship program. The administration agreed that many staff members would like this option. An email will be sent out by the CPO board to all staff members.

Public Comment

There was discussion around how to get more parents participating and volunteering. Laura Beyer suggested the school sending out a "how to get involved" email out at the beginning of the second semester. All were in great favor of this idea.

The use of Signup Genius was suggested to help track those one-off days that the chairs need help with. The CPO board will look into this and reach out to chairs to see if they believe it will help.

There was a suggestion on having a back to school "function" by the CPO to welcome new and existing families back to school. Also, suggestions for having the meetings at an offsite place to make it a more casual and get to know you feeling.

Next Meeting

March 6th, 2024, | Location to be determined.

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:58am and was passed unanimously.