

**PTA MEETING  
FAIRMOUNT ELEMENTARY  
April 6, 2010**

The meeting was called to order by President Heidi Daly at 3:45pm.

**ATTENDEES:**

In attendance at the meeting were the following: Annette Wright, Lisa Chase, Kayla Vandegriff, Jody Rector, Cate Byers, Julie Bianco, Jennifer Blair-Cockrum, Shanna Peterson, Dee Ann Lord, Stacy Uyeda, Dani Hansen, Cari Roberts, Kristi Hard, Michelle Schiffbauer, Nicki Ball, Heidi Daly, and Brady Stroup.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES:**

Secretary Kristi Hard asked for comments or changes to the March 2, 2010 meeting minutes. As all members had received either hard copies or emails of the minutes, a motion was made to dispense with the reading of the minutes and to approve them as written. The motion was seconded and approved by all members present.

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:**

Principal Brady Stroup reported that the proposed change to the parking lot safety issue will not take place. In the main parking lot, the asphalt is not deep enough to accommodate the weight of the buses. At this time, bus pick up will remain in the bus loop and the carpool line will continue to run through the main parking lot. Other options are being explored, which include the possibility of a crossing guard system.

For the 2010-2011 school year, staffing is as follows: Kindergarten – two full day, one AM and one PM, 1<sup>st</sup> grade – four classes, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade – five classes, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – four classes, 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade – three classes. In addition, special education will increase to 2 ½ teachers and speech/language will increase to 1 ½ teachers.

**ELECTIONS:**

The following board and chair positions were elected for 2010-2011 school year:

President – Nicki Ball  
Co Vice President – Kristi Hard  
Co Vice President – Michelle Schiffbauer  
Secretary – Julie Bianco  
Treasurer – Kaye Becker  
Membership – Lisa Chase

**BY LAWS APPROVAL:**

A motion was made to approve the updated By Laws. The motion was seconded and approved by all members present.

**CHAIR EVENTS/ UPDATES:**

Kaye Becker reported that everything is on track for the Fairmount 5000. Volunteers may be a little short in areas of course marshalling and parking. Race participation needs to increase in order to reach our monetary goal. Letters will be sent out requesting additional donations in the form of "sponsoring an event".

The newsletter will be online only for the month of May and will continue to be online starting Fall 2010.

Cate Byers will take over the PTA website.

Lakeside night will be on Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup> with May 10<sup>th</sup> as a rain date.

After Spring Break the PTA will start a new King Soopers Grocery Card program. The new cards will be re-loadable. They can be purchased for \$25 and then re-loaded with any amount up to \$500 at King Soopers. More details will be coming home in Friday Folders,

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The Art Education Summit will be held on April 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-3:30. It is a great opportunity for parents to have input with regards to the art program. The workshop and childcare is free. Register online at [www.denvergov.org/artsedsummit](http://www.denvergov.org/artsedsummit). If Fairmount has four people attend the workshop, we will receive a \$500 grant for the arts.

Jennifer Cockrum is once again organizing Word Attack Warriors, which is a summer reading program designed to help struggling readers. The cost is \$404 for six weeks, three classes per week. The classes will be held at Ryan Elementary, West Woods Elementary and Powderhorn Elementary. For more information, go to: [www.WordAttackWarriors.wordpress.com](http://www.WordAttackWarriors.wordpress.com).

**Next Meeting: May 4, 2010.**