



**Mammoth Heights Elementary
School Accountability Committee
2016-2017**

Date: August 31, 2016

Time: 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Location: MHE Learning Commons

Agenda

1. Welcome & introductions - *(Rick Graves and Nick Holtvluwer)* 6:30-6:45

- Purpose of SAC - Inform and encourage parent involvement, improve processes, recommendations, suggestions to administration. Community input to administration, voices for the community.
- Highlights of beginning of year video
- Introduce Nick Holtvluwer- Leadership story, vision for MHE: be the most positive and energetic elementary school in all of DCSD, be successfully innovative, believe in people not programs, growth mindset, model perseverance, every student and staff member will be an ambassador for MHE, data points to drive instruction. Good Morning Mammoth Heights on YouTube channel. Book Study for entire staff: The Energy Bus, Book study for certified staff: Teach Like a Champion 2.0.

2. ByLaw Review/Approval 6:45-6:50

Moved to approve by Kate Kraz, seconded by Rick Graves.

3. Teacher report – *(Chad McGovern-teacher rep)* 6:50-7:00

New Staff this year, team building, Putt Putt Golf trip during PD, Outdoor Ed trip last week, strong social media push via Twitter.

4. PTO Organization (PTO) report – *(Kate Kraz-PTO rep)* 7:00-7:10

4 grants; Professional Development team building, 3rd grade eyeball dissection, 3rd grade magazines, Science mine craft lab

Treasurer: deposits from King Soopers card (5% back); Fun Run on Sep 20th, Box Tops Student Council campaigning and doing speeches this week. Belize supply drive first order of business for StuCo. Restaurant nights, snack cart, spirit wear; looking into hoodies for spirit wear.

5. Key agenda item #1 – Budget - *(Nick Holtvluwer)* 7:10-7:25

- Enrollment and funding

Review of student/class numbers: 613 students currently, projected to be at 708 back in March.
Use of Veteran staff to mentor new teachers instead of having a dedicated position, not replacing a teacher that retired, carry over funds to cover difference.

- Value of full special rotation including science

Budget would not = cut in specials.

6. Key agenda item #2 – Safety/Parking/Traffic - (*Nick Holtvluwer*) 7:25-7:45

- Chaparral schedule and late start day (Wednesday)
- Additional parking options

Met with Rich Cosgrove to discuss options: park in bus loop; additional parking in west part of playground. Cosgrove willing to meet to discuss options. Options and input taken from members. Parent volunteers - question for risk management.

7. Open forum for guests – (*Rick Graves*) 7:45-8:00

Homework packets and time. Question if they could be sent out on Friday, due on Friday. Parent question on school philosophy on homework and how much students should have.

Administration stated they give teachers autonomy with regards to homework and encouraged families to speak with their teacher regarding questions/concerns.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05.

Attendance:

Jenny Dickman
Jeanne Carberry
Beth Huffman
Brooke Neff
Rick Graves
Courtney O'Donnell
Kiersten Hall
Nick Holtvluwer
Carissa Mazzeo
Chad McGovern
Brenda VanDyke
Denise O'Leary
Kelly Mullins
Kate Kraz

Next meeting:

10/5/16