



September 5, 2023 | 7:00 PM | Roy Cloud Library & [Zoom Link](#)

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Minutes:

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PTO Overview	<p>Please see slides for an overview of why the PTO matters, what the PTO does and funds, and meeting cadence (once every 2 months)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Please take the quick poll (https://forms.gle/UPoiGSi6jZWZ1Bhg8) for preferences on meeting cadence and form, and any other feedback <p>Note: every parent is automatically a PTO member, there's no need to sign up or clear any other hurdles, and we welcome participation in any form</p>
Fundraising Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Direct donation goal of \$300k; raised \$77k so far ● Participation rate of 11% so far, but we hope to hit 50% participation (at any level, even small contributions), so please spread the word. ● Easiest way to donate is via the website: https://roycloudpto.com/donate/. But there are other options as well (see website for details). ● Don't forget to use donation matching from your company if applicable; check if your company participates at website link above, and email matching@roycloudpto.com with any questions.
Programs & "Specials" Update	<p>Programs already in progress:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● PE with PE+: TK 1x per week; Grades K-5 2x per week ● STEAM with Ms. Kwa: Grades K-5 weekly; Grades TK, 6-8 special projects ● Spanish with Ms. Amato: Grades 7-8, every day ● Character Strong SEL: Grades K-8, integrated curriculum

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● After-School Enrichment: fall session is on! See https://roycloudpto.com/after-school-enrichment/ for further details <p>Starting soon:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Art with CSMA: Grades K-8, 12x 1-hour classes, biweekly ● Garden with Ms. Lauren from CCEO: TK, special opportunities; Grades K-5, 12 classes, biweekly; Grades 6-8 get garden exposure via enrichment elective ● Music <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Music for Minors: Grades TK-1, 28x 30-min classes, weekly ○ Mx. Washburn now teaches music for grades 2-8 ● Science from Scientists: Grades 3-8, 6x per year; new science workshops for grades TK-2 coming soon!
Library & Literacy Fund-a-Need Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 2023 Auction raised \$32,800 for a 2023-24 Fund-a-Need initiative ● Books in the Collection have gone from 11,483 to 11,840 ● Average Publication Age has gone from 2007 to 2010 ● Book-Student Ratio: Current = 17:1; Ideal = 25:1 ● Have spent about \$14,000 to date <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Books ordered from ABDO and Follett (\$12,000) ○ Signage/displays from Demco (\$1300) ○ BookBreak Fall 2023 Virtual Author Visits (\$975) ● Plans for rest of the 2023-24 school year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ More books and author events! ○ Read Across America activities in March ○ Board games, art supplies and free standing display table
Budget Discussion & Vote	<p>Key changes relative to May 2023 voted & approved budget:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Physical education (TK - 5) \$50K ➔ \$18K (it's costing less than anticipated, which is fortunate) ● Science enrichment \$20K ➔ \$46K <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Science from Scientists (grades 3-8) increased costs and added \$10K for TK-2 science programs like LHS, MSI, etc. ● Garden support \$1K ➔ \$21K <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Planned infrastructure upgrades: shade, seating, irrigation, rot replacement, potential expansion, cleanup, etc. ● Counseling Services (MTSS) \$12K ● Makerspace Support \$10K <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Upgrading STEAM equipment, materials, and technology ● Social emotional learning \$10K <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Created dedicated line item for SEL program as the 2019 "fund-a-need" fund will deplete <p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● What's the difference between the May budget vote and this vote? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A: Membership needs to vote on every budget. Last May we had an initial proposed budget, and this vote is for the adjustments listed above. These adjustments mostly happened because our carryover funds from last year were higher than expected and because PE was cheaper than expected, so we were able to add some new spending. ● Is the Outdoor Ed (5th grade field trip) on the budget? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A: Funded by parents, with additional support from the PTO that funds scholarships for students who need it

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Can the PTO cover LiveScan funding? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A: We do have a scholarship for families for whom it's a hardship (it's about \$80). If anyone wants to make use of this, please contact the principal who can facilitate. ● Why does the PTO only cover PE for TK-5 and not middle school? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A: Because the district actually covers middle school PE, so the PTO only needs to cover TK-5. (Prior to COVID, the PTO had to fund for all grades.) ○ Other schools that don't have this extra funding have to have teachers cover PE for TK-5, and our ability to fund this also allows the teachers to have this time back, which is very fortunate. ● For the garden work, can there be community events to help with this? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A: There will definitely be garden volunteer signups throughout the year! Please look forward to this in the Thunderbolt and elsewhere. ● What's the carryover requirement? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A: We need to budget a certain amount that carries over to next year, so that we can cover any positions (e.g. STEAM TOSA) that will continue next year. <p>Vote:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Unanimous yes (including 3 on zoom)
<p>Upcoming Events & Activities</p>	<p>Looking for event planning volunteers, especially for Family Dance (in ~February) and Family Fest (in ~April)</p> <p>Events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Burgers & Bikes: Sat, September 16 ● Scholastic Book Fair: October 10-13 ● Fall Fest: Thurs, October 12 ● Family Dance (February): Volunteer Needed! ● Auction & Dinner Dance TBD, Sat, March 2 Spring Play March 22-24 <p>Spring play:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Play will be Matilda Jr. ● Tryouts will be earlier this year – likely 2nd week of November – to allow us to spread out rehearsals more so there are fewer days per week. ● Chorus is K-3. Rehearsals start after January break.
<p>Volunteer Opportunities</p>	<p>Still looking to fill the following PTO roles (see slides for descriptions):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Corporate Matching Coordinator ● Family Dance Coordinator <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Note that if we don't get a Family Dance volunteer, we won't have a dance this year (which sometimes does happen). ● Family Fest Coordinator ● After-School Sports Coordinator ● After-School Enrichment Trainee ● New Family Buddy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This is a new program to help families that are new to the school to get oriented <p>These can be done from home.</p> <p>Please email info@roycloudpto.com if you are interested or know someone who is.</p>

	<p>Other ways to volunteer (these will be announced as they come up, watch out for Thunderbolt and/or SignUp Genius links):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Join a committee to support key events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Auction Committee meeting coming soon! ○ Jogathon Committee forming later next year ● Sign up for a shift to help out at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Book Fair ○ Fall Fest ○ Art Show ○ More to come... ● Team up with Dads' Club ● Volunteer in your classroom ● Help with recess supervision – See Monday's Cloud Chronicle <p>Remember to get volunteer clearance from the school district if you're going to volunteer on campus.</p>
<p>Health and Wellness</p>	<p>Patrinia Redd, Director of Health and Wellness from the district office, gave a short overview of the nursing staff and resources.</p> <p>Lisa Cox is the nurse covering Roy Cloud this year.</p> <p>Board Certified Behavior Analysts (BCBAs) provide consultation to staff and parents to help support positive student behavior. Usually a teacher will make a referral, and the BCBAs can provide support, with parent consent.</p> <p>Department also provides Tobacco Use Education Program (TUPE) – prevention education about the use of tobacco and vaping.</p> <p>For questions and information, contact Patrinia Redd at predd@rcsdk8.net (650-482-2252).</p> <p>There are two committees that meet during the year, starting next month. Please contact Patrinia Redd at predd@rcsdk8.net for information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Health & Wellness Committee ● CNS Advisory Committee <p>Question:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● What resources does the district provide regarding drug abuse? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Site coordinators will go to a training for Tobacco Use Education Program (TUPE) ○ Middle school students will also participate and give presentations. ○ Also have mental health counselors that can provide counseling related to drug abuse. ○ There will be a parent education series in the fall on Fentanyl

Meeting adjourned at 8:05pm. Next meeting November 7th.

There was an afterparty at Redwood Grill. The meeting adjourned before the afterparty so no notes were taken, but we can assume it was a rager.