Parent Council Meeting Friday, March 7, 2014

Opening Verse from Mr. Baker

Strides for Stars, Saturday, May 3, 2014

Matt Woodhull gave an update for this year's Walk-a-thon.

- Will be held at Cheeseman Park (Looked into the possibility of holding the event at the new location or Harvard Gulch Park. This is not a option because Denver Christian is still located at the site and the park has been reserved for another event.)
- Fund raising goal of \$250 per person
- Funds up to \$25K will go to Annual Giving. All funds over \$25K will go to new location/Campus Master Plan
- 5K remaining within Cheeseman Park
- 8:30 am Registration available day of the event
- Volunteer Sign-up coming soon
- Games with Mr. Hand
- Registation fee: \$25/participant
- Register on-line at: http://stridesforstars.denverwaldorf.org/

ASNWA/ACIS (Association of Colorado Independent Schools) Accreditation Kelly gave us an overview of the accreditation process.

- March 16 through 19
- Accreditation team of 10 people
- Colorado has few regulations and no guidelines for private schools
- Why Accreditation Matters
  - 1. High Standards
  - 2. Mission/Program Congruence
  - 3. Third Party Accountability
  - 4. School Viability

- 5. Continuous Improvement
- 6. College Admissions
- 7. Legal Compliance (health, fire, safety, etc.)
- Accreditation is valid for 10 years.
- They will also visit the new location
- Accreditation provides additional resources: conferences, databases with financial and enrollment info., etc.
- Report will be given to the school on the last day of the accreditation process

## **CMP Task Force**

Krista Douglas gave an overview of the CMP task force. Every board committee will have representation. Christine O'Connell, Mary Salfi and Elizabeth Strammiello will be representing Parent Council.

## Development with Ben Drotar

Ben checked in with us regarding donations to the Campus Master Plan and gave a brief overview of a Challenge Fund. An information launch to come.

## Spring Events & Dates to Note at DWS\*

Event	Date	Notes
Parent-Teacher Conferences	Last week in March & first week in April	Sign up with class teachers for specific dates/times
Middle School Dance	Sat. 4/5, 6-10 pm	
Spring Break	4/14-4/25	No School
Strides for Stars at Mayfest	Sat. 5/3, 8am-1pm	Contact Woody for more details
Spring Assembly	Wed. 5/7, 2pm	Festival Hall
3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> Strings Concert	Tues. 5/13, 6 pm	Festival Hall

6th -8th Strings Concert	Wed. 5/14, 6 pm	Festival Hall
Senior Project Presentations	Thurs. 5/15 & Fri. 5/16, 7 pm	Festival Hall

<sup>\*</sup>Dates before 3/21 have been removed.

Next Parent Council Meeting is Friday, April 4th.

- Strides for Stars Update
- Accreditation Update
- Social Inclusion Update
- Security Update
- Fundraising Update & PC's role in getting 100% Participation
- CMP Update
- Co-Chair & Reps Update

Please feel to contact the Parent Council Co-Chairs or your class rep with any questions or comments.

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