

Meeting Minutes Timber Trail PTO

August 17, 2026 9 a.m. —TTE Cafeteria

President's Update—Desirée Gentile & Stella Wirsig

Welcome Back

Introductions

Principals' Update— Rob Thelen and introducing Sierra Chartier

Late start starting this Friday. 9:05 start bell, 9:15 butts in seat, and 9:20 is late bell. District chose Friday because of Base having the most availability and it falls in line with other schools within our district. Transportation times should be communicated on transportation app.

Introduce PLC's, a vehicle to maintain school efficacy. This is a new system of redirect and boundaries for behavior situations. Redirect, sidelines, giving choices. 5 clear expected behaviors for students.

Douglas County budget is based on a price per student and use projected enrollment, approx. 8k a student.

Our projected enrollment was 394 students; we are now at 383 which is good and puts money back into our budget.

Discussion on whether we want to do a bond bill?

We are hoping to be a John Erwin school again because of the great CMAS scores!

We are using raised PTO funds to support curriculum this year

Sierra Cartier-

Thanks for the Popsicles with Principals

Back to school night from 6-7:30 in gym, go over curriculum, communication, and child success.

Excited about the new staff.

Christy Kryer to support veteran teachers.

Mrs. Kenfield, new counselor

RJ has 20+ years in broadcast, ABC, etc. and will be helping with student news and will support 5th grade and others this year, including 3-D printing, etc.

From Kelly-

Fill out parent volunteer forms if you want to volunteer, hard copy.

Will post SAC info for parents who want to attend. (School Accountability Committee)

Teacher Update— Introduction of PLC's and their excitement about this new strategy.

Community Events— Ivy Perez-Casillas

Back to School Splash Highlights

Pilates September 21st, 9 am, no school, Club Pilates, qr code for signups.

Back to School Bash, bouncy things, stuffy making truck, train, food for purchase, all family members are invited, 3 and under is free, \$5 increase to tickets at the door. Purchase tickets ahead of time for \$20

Adding more volunteers for checking in to make it faster.

Parent and teacher volunteers for slot machine, set up, clean up, etc.

Volunteer Update/Needs—

Back to School Bash

Lunch Bunch

Hospitality— Victoria Ashcraft

Organizes everything for the teachers, lunches, gift cards, staff appreciation stuff. We have 3 staff lunches, dates... using some of the classroom party funds (\$10 extra per child) to put towards these things.

If you know if a vendor that would like to contribute or donate, we would love that!

Please remember to bring water bottles for your kiddos and use the donated water fountains that we raised from the Bids ad Bubbles last year.

Treasurer Report— Christine Schmalz/Desirée Gentile

Budget Distribution

Please sign up for Kind Soopers five back, can even do out of state friends and family. Big earnings! We give teachers a \$300 stipend for classroom supplies, including preschool and Mr. Matt this year!

Webmaster/Comm— Melinda

Website Highlights

Contact Us/Question Button

Sprit Night – Kara Boucher

1st is Ubbergripen, August 29th from 9-11.

2nd is Hip Hop Truck, September 16th after school 3:30-5.

Room Parent Update—Elyse Schelin and Jenna Wilson

We need room parents!

In charge of planning Halloween party, winter, and the end of year party. Will also be a point of contact for teachers when they have needs, works with teachers and build relationships with kiddos classroom and friends. Will have qr code for signups.

Road to the Rockies— Jenny/Dawn

Sarah Phillips sponsor, logging of reading minutes. Winner per class per month for top reading minutes gets prize. Brainstorming ideas to keep momentum up with their monthly logs. Maybe classroom rewards, more recess, etc!? Maybe put up a visual monitor in the school?

Fundraising Update— Bethany

Timberwolf Trot – September 23rd, goal is 50k

Add fundraising email for ideas and/or questions

Needing volunteers to find sponsors
Bids and Bubbles- parent auction
Dates and goals

Secretary—Deanna Hamilton

May 2026 minutes approval.

Asked if any changes needed. Asked for a motion to approve.

_____ motioned to approve. _____ seconds. Minutes are approved.

Reminder to sign in.

Q&A—Online questions/comments reviewed

Meeting adjourned at:

Attendees:

Liz Binder
Kadie Dooley
Serita Applegate
Katrina Burgen
Jessica Woodart
Erin Button
Amy Donley
Robin Sweet
Jenna Wilson
Melinda Tarbell
Courtney Morgan
Rebecca Fawcett
Lindsey Meyer
Alison Nock
Elizabeth Downing
Ellesee Desmarteau
Jen Gale
Kara Boucher
Courtney Kastens
Bethany Joswick
Ivy Perez
Victoria Ashcraft
Elyse Schelin
Bree Howard
Christine Schmalz
Deanna Hamilton
Desiree Gentile
Stella Wirsig