

PTAC

NIWOT ELEMENTARY



Mission:

The mission of the NES PTAC is to support the education of students at Niwot Elementary School in a collaborative effort among the Principal, parents and staff. The NES PTAC will endeavor to enhance and support the educational experience at Niwot Elementary School, to develop a closer connection between school and home by encouraging parent involvement, and to improve the environment at Niwot Elementary School through volunteer and financial support.

Everything we do is for the kids.

Meeting Agenda

Time	Topic	Presenter
7:00pm	Welcome and Board Introductions	Hadley Solomon
7:05pm	Approval of Posted Minutes	Julie Jensen
7:10pm	Guest Speakers on Class Sizes, Education Funding and District Issues	Karen Ragland, Grassroots St. Vrain, & Dr. Don Haddad, SVVSD Superintendent
7:20pm	Question and Answer Session	
7:50pm	Principal's Report	Nancy Pitz
8:00pm	Treasurer's Report	Jennifer Wilby
8:10pm	Committee Reports	Donna Blondeau Riki Frea
8:30pm	Adjourn	

Welcome and Overview: Introductions

NES PTAC Board Members:

- Principal: Nancy Pitz
- Teacher Representative: Stephanie Horne (4th Grade)
- President: Hadley Solomon
- Vice President: Donna Blondeau
- Vice President of Fundraising: Riki Frea
- Treasurer: Jennifer Wilby
- Recording Secretary: Julie Jensen
- Communications Secretary: Anne Jentz

Recap of May 2014 Minutes

- Voted to approve 2014-2015 PTAC Budget
- Motion and vote to approve 2013-2014 Surplus Spend
- Motion to carry forward Para line item surplus to reduce Round Up (Cougar Campaign)

**GUEST SPEAKERS – KAREN
RAGLAND & DR. DON HADDAD**

Grassroots St. Vrain: Karen Ragland

- *Provides a link from the State Capital to SVVSD*
- *History*
 - *State Amendment 66 in 2013*
 - *Mill Levy Overrides in 2008 and 2012*
- *Present at SVVSD Parent meetings*
 - *2013 video, “Bottoms Up: Why Education Funding in CO is a Grassroots Effort”*
 - *2014 video, “Class Size Begins With You”*
- www.grassrootsstvrain.org

QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – NANCY PITZ

Treasurer Update

September 16th 2014

Jennifer Wilby



Our Budget = \$106, 484

- Owned by the Membership
- Process
 - Finance Committee starts work in February
 - Presented in April
 - Approved in May
 - Executed throughout the following year
 - Budget Amendments as required – no surprises!
- Overestimate Costs + Underestimate Revenue
- Transparency
 - Reconcile Quickbooks vs Bank Statement monthly
 - Post on PTAC website
 - Report at PTAC meetings monthly
 - Contact Treasurer with questions

Where we stand today

Balance Sheet at 9/16/14

	<i>July 1st</i>	<i>September 16th</i>
Checking	15,477.71	38,449.54
Science Garden	896.84	899.32
Science Garden CD	1,186.55	1,186.55
Money Market	5,017.44	15,927.44
Total	22,578.54	56,462.85

2013-14 Year End Checking Account Reconciliation

	<i>Assets</i>	<i>Liabilities</i>
Checking Account Balance at 6/30/14	16,564.44	
Petty Cash	75.00	
Uncashed checks 2013-14		242.47
Older uncashed checks		1,086.73
Surplus allocated but unspent at 6/30/14		1,800.00
May/June Para payment		1,506.60
Total	16,639.44	4,635.80
Available Cash	12,003.64	
Para underspend (allocated to Cougar Campaign)		7,531.18
Cash remaining to be allocated	4,397.46	

2013-14 Surplus Expenditure

<i>Budget Surplus Plan</i>	Details	Estimate	Actual	
Headphones	125 sets @\$6	750.00	722.13	
Interactive Whiteboards	\$1600 each	3,200.00	3,184.00	
Clickers- 1 set	\$1300 each	1,300.00	1,499.00	
iPad 2 covers	\$41.37 x 21	1,000.00	0.00	
Kiss n Catch materials	signs, vests, cones	800.00	500.61	
Cart	front entrance	250.00	260.23	
Total		7,300.00	6,165.97	1,134.03
				remaining

New request for expenditure

- Mice!
- Request for 30 @ \$6 each for use with Chromebooks
- Motion to spend from 2013-14 Surplus

Income Highlights

- Cougar Campaign - \$30,000
- Target Red Card - \$2,968.96
- Spirit Wear - \$2,500
- Directory Sponsorship - \$2,000
- Niwot Trot - \$1,100
- Grocery Cards - \$1,000
- Salad Bar - \$2,000

Expenditure Highlights

- Spirit Wear stock - \$2,000
- May/June Para payment \$1,500
- Teacher Grants - \$750
- Lunch for staff before school starts - \$500
- Spelling Bee registration - \$130
- Annual Insurance Premium - \$330
- Tax return - \$130

Remember It's Our Budget

- Overestimate Costs + Underestimate Revenue
- Budget Amendments
- Transparency
- Contact Treasurer with questions

**COMMITTEE REPORTS – DONNA
BLONDEAU**

Committee Reports – Donna Blondeau

- **Movie Night** rescheduled for **THIS Friday, 9/19**
 - Muppets Most Wanted!
 - Opens at 6pm, Movie starts at 7:15pm
- **Open PTAC Positions**
 - Committee Chairs Needed!
 - **F.A.N.** – Fathers Around Niwot
 - **Kiss N Catch** (Subject Matter Expert & Advocate)
 - Extra Help: **Science Garden** and **Greenstar**
 - Look for your Volunteering Pink Packet to come home with your child this week or sign up on line at the PTAC website!

Talent Show

Around the World!

Important Dates:

- **Online Applications Due:** Monday, October 13th
- **Show Off Dates:**
 - Tuesday, Dec. 2nd or Wed, Dec. 3rd AND
 - Wed, Jan. 7th or Thurs, Jan. 8th
- **Dress Rehearsal:** Jan. 22nd at Niwot High School, time TBD
- **Talent Show:** Niwot High School, Friday, Jan. 23rd at 6pm

Science Garden

- **Fall Presentations:** Classroom volunteers are needed to either present Science Garden material to the classrooms or to help with activities
- **Maintenance of Outdoor Garden:** A volunteer is needed to coordinate the maintenance of the garden

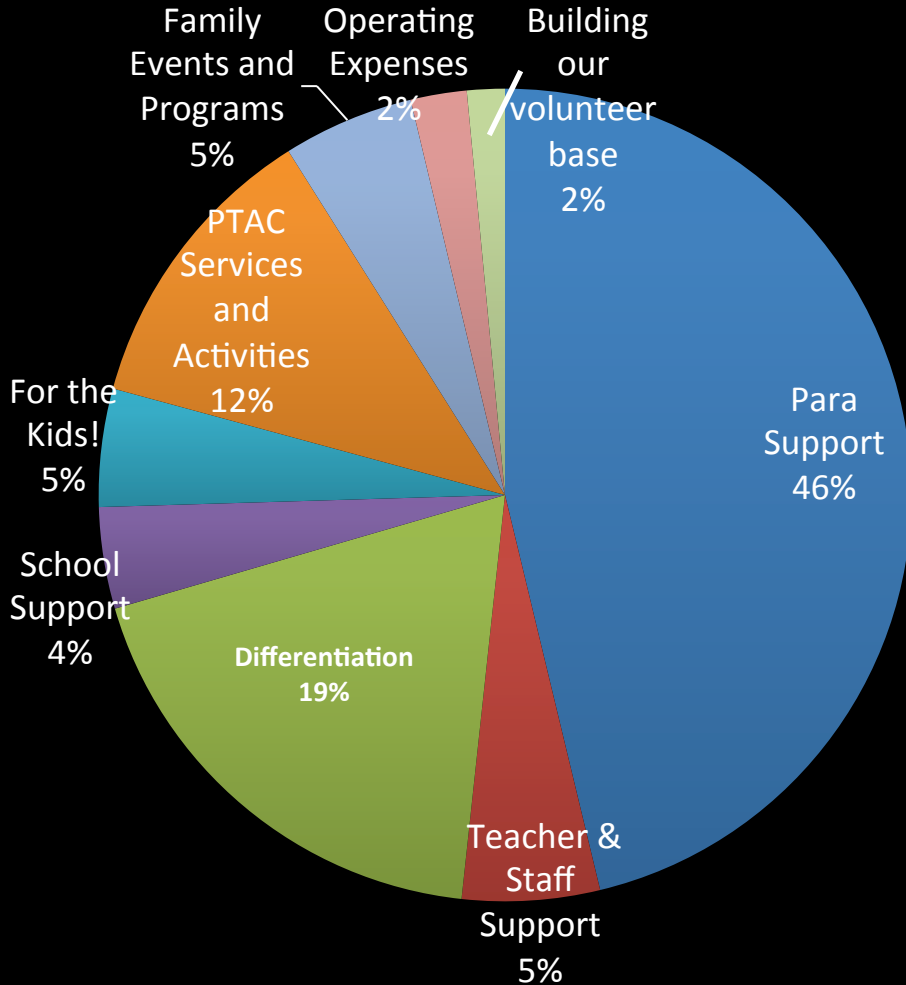
Summer Learning

- **108 students** participated in the **PAWSitive Summer Learning Program**
- Those students completed 297,140 minutes of learning over the summer!!
- Individual and classroom winners will be announced later this week and received their prizes, which include PAW charm bracelets, medals, popsicle parties with Mrs. Pitz, classroom PAWS and Target gift cards

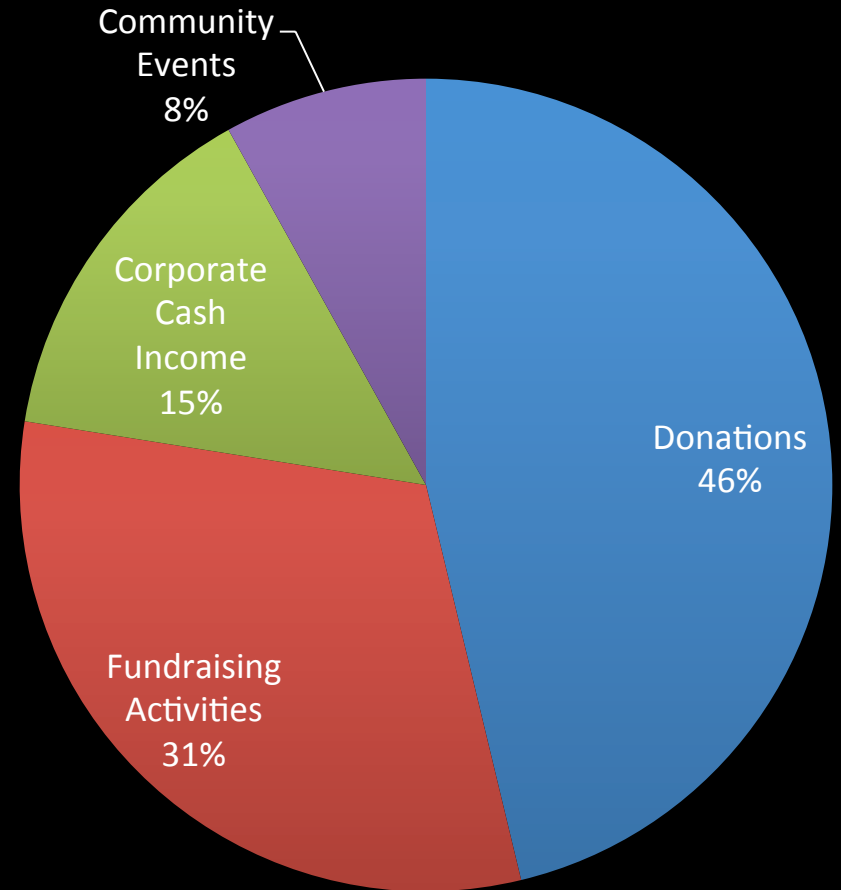
COMMITTEE REPORTS – RIKI FREA

Our goals & priorities

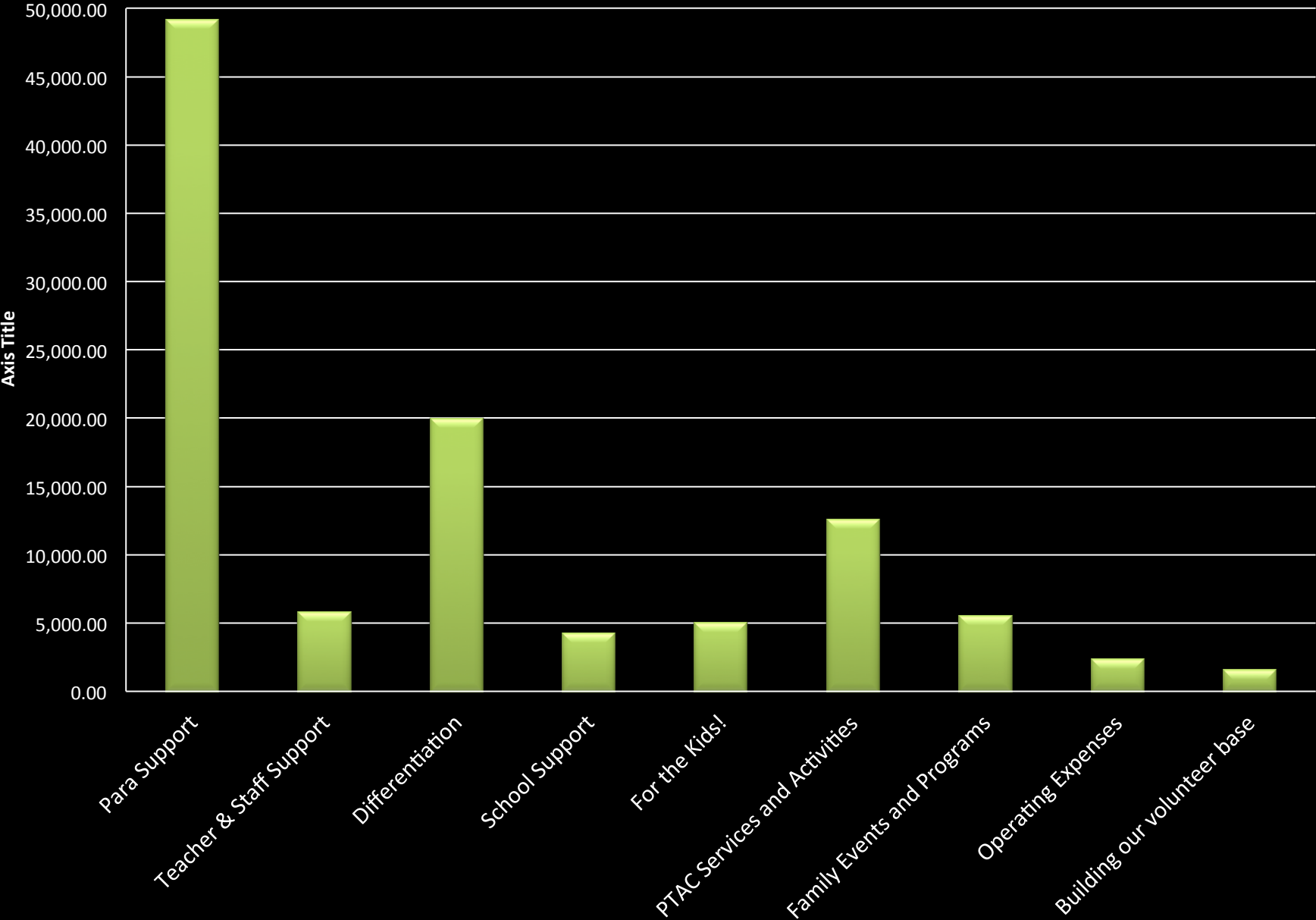
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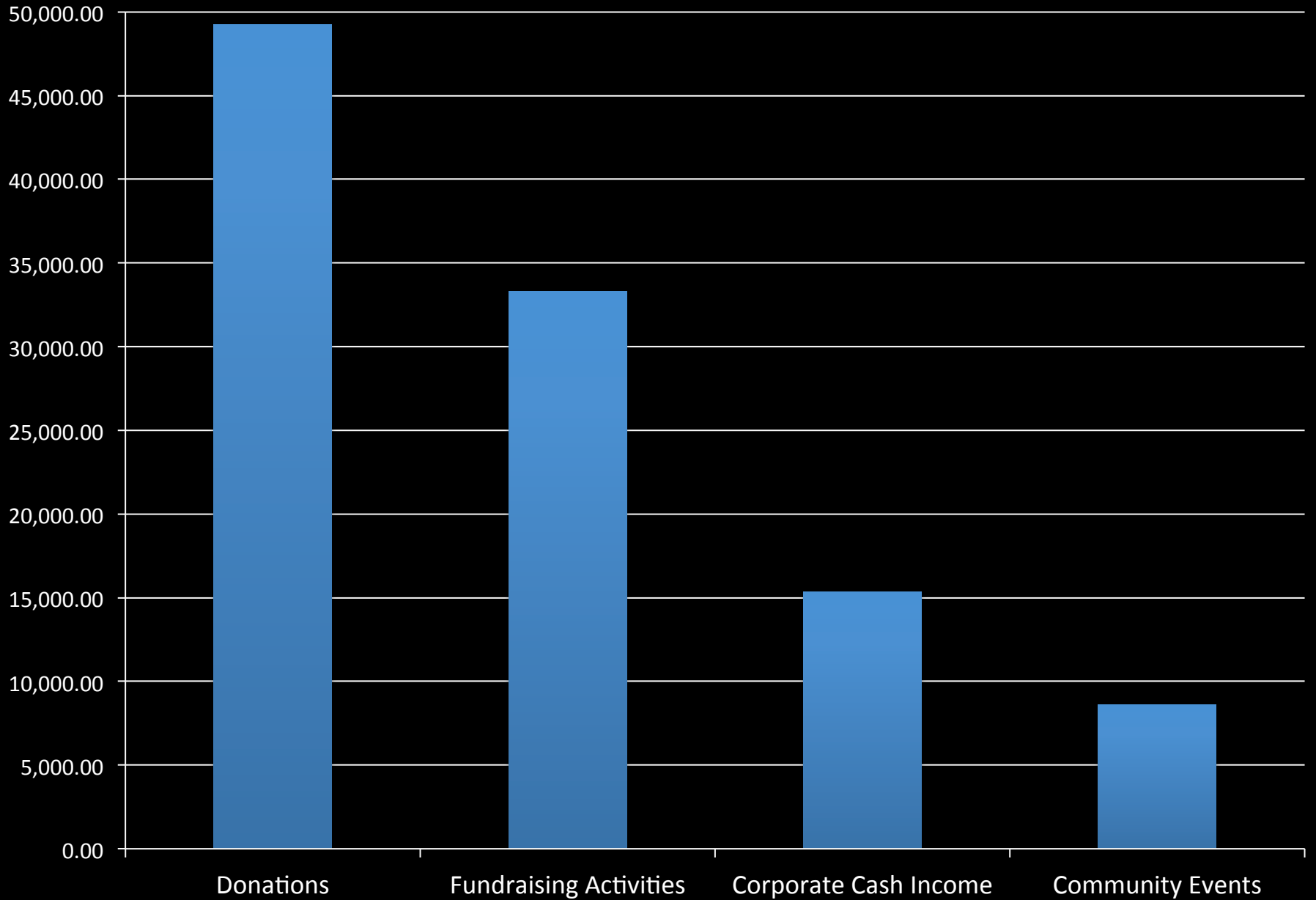
INCOME



2014-15 EXPENSE CATEGORIES



2014-15 INCOME NEEDED



46% OF OUR BUDGET...

Pays for Paraprofessionals

- ✧ IN THE CLASSROOMS!!
- ✧ To help reduce the impact of growing class sizes
- ✧ Benefits ALL students, in EVERY grade
- ✧ Allows for *Differentiation*
- ✧ Sets NES apart from all other schools in SVVSD!

Comes from Donations

#1 source –

COUGAR CAMPAIGN

Matching contributions from Employers –

DOUBLE THE DONATION!

Priorities of the PTAC & NES

Differentiation – Assemblies, Field Trips, Technology, Handwriting & Spelling Books, Science Garden – **19%**

Teacher, Staff, & School Support – Teacher & Specialist Grants, Music & Library purchases - **10%**

For the kids! – Student Council, Odyssey of the Mind, Spelling Bee, Summer Learning, 5th Gr. Field Day – **5%**

Family EVENTS – Movie Night, Talent Show, Sock Hop, End of Year Picnic – **5%**

Fundraising Activities

- Niwot Trot
- Book Fairs
- Spirit Sales
- Directory
- Dine-4-Dollar\$
- Silent Auction
- Rock & Rails Tip Jar
- School Supplies

FREE Money (aka Corporate Cash)

Grocery Cards

- King Soopers & Safeway Reloadable cards give 5% back to NES
- Niwot Market & Vitamin Cottage PRE-loaded cards earn 10% & 5%, respectively

Target Red Card

- Earns 1% of purchases for NES & 5% off for you!

More FREE Money.....

Box Tops for Education

- One Box Top = 10 cents
- Last year we earned over \$3400 with Box Tops

Online Shopping

- AmazonSmile – donates 0.5% of purchases
- Goodshop.com – donates up to 20% of purchases
- Register NES as your charity of choice, then shop as usual!
- It's Safe, Easy, and FREE!!!!

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