

PALM VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Community Cooperation Communication

Palm Valley PTO Meeting
01/28/2014, 6:00pm, PVE Media Center

AGENDA

1. Call to Order – Megan McKinley at 6:09 p.m.
2. Review prior meetings minutes
 - a. Vote to approve (Motion: Sallie Dykeman, 2nd: Samantha Hamblin, Unanimously Approved)
3. Board Reports
 - a. President (Megan McKinley)-
 - i. Review of Events
 - ii. District Parent Advisory Committee Invitations: February 4th at Litchfield Elementary School. Tour of the addition at 11 a.m., light luncheon, and then meeting.)
 - iii. Semester Calendar (see attached) Highlight on Parent Mixer & Golf Tournament - Donations still needed.
 - iv. Treasurer Position Filled: Introduction of Angela Crossley. Fridays will be Angela's day to check in on campus.
 - v. Nominating Committee for Board positions 2014-2015: Megan McKinley & Tricia Sidell will be the nominating committee. All positions are open for 2014-2015. Megan & Elizabeth will not be returning to the board. Interest meeting for board & committee chair positions will be held in March.
 - b. Treasurer (Angela Crossley)
 - i. Financial Report: \$36,742 currently on hand in both accounts .Approximately \$3,500 left designated for teachers from fun run proceeds. Reminders will be sent out to teachers to spend their money before April.
4. Committee Reports:
 - a. Golf Tournament: Still in need of donations for raffle & silent auction. Looking for players & volunteers! Secured at this point: 4 tee box signs, more coming. Red Door Spa, Goodyear PD ride along, Nascar Passes (2 sets of 2), Wilhelm Automotive (4 service passes), Litchfield Auto Repair (2x \$50 giftcard). Next meeting will be mid-February.
 - b. Tax Credit: Increase of 25% over last year. Total over \$20,000.
 - c. Restaurant Nights: McTeacher Night is coming up on February 12th! Will be at the Estrella Pkwy location. Great response from teachers for volunteer slots!
 - d. Family Fun Nights: Next Family Fun Night will be February 21st and will be a fiesta theme to go along with bookfair.
 - e. Caring for Campus: Vanessa is on maternity leave, but you may still contact her with projects. Looking for a co-chair. Madonna has taken leadership. Suggestions include: North closet & cafe tables. Blayer will need assistance moving the rock wall, inflate bike tires & install bike racks. Cape Crusaders to serve with caring for campus in the future. Express expectations at beginning of 2014-2015.
 - f. Copy Committee: We have lost several volunteers due to life changes. We need 3-4 more volunteers who can assist on a weekly basis. Moving to sign-up genius to accommodate volunteers with less predictable schedules.
 - g. Book Fair: Begins February 20th. Fiesta theme. Sign-up genius available for volunteer slots. Teacher preview will be held all day on February 20th.
 - h. Spirit Wear: A lot of adult t-shirts are remaining. 6 sweatshirts left, one in each size. Ideas of how to use remaining inventory: Discount adult t-shirts to \$10 and sell at remaining events, use as raffle prizes for golf tournament, possibly give to volunteers of the month. Next year going to a higher quality t-shirt (canvas brand).
5. School Administrator Reports
 - a. Principal (Sarah Pearson): Adding K-2 to technology elective. Tax credit is up, possibly due to messaging

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about using the funds for electives. Furniture donations received from a closing law office, \$400 paid for moving the furniture was paid for by PTO as a beautification project. Visualizing and Verbalizing curriculum has been received and is already in use, positive results are already being seen. New carpet has been installed in the Media Center and the computer lab arrangement has been adjusted. Traditional Academy: Recommitment letters will be mailed to current students on January 31st. For new families, the registration will be available on March 2nd. Messaging that if you are interested, you should apply as there is potential for a second strand.

b. Physical Education

i. School Health Advisory Council: Last Tuesday was the last meeting of the month. The council is done assessing the school. They looked at resources & goals for 2014-2015. Goals include a better concept of when objectives are taught, early release days will potentially have nutrition & exercise lessons. Extended day will be partnered with to create lessons and will work together to have consistent recess/playground rules, Weekly wellness challenges for staff, community garden implementation (looking for volunteers)

c. Tricia: LESD will be providing free breakfast every day for the remainder of the year. Cafe will open at 7:10 a.m. We will also be in the running for a special assembly if our breakfast participation increases.

6. Upcoming Events

- a. Jan 31 - Early Release (12:25 p.m.)
- b. Jan 31 - Parent Mixer @ Majerle's 6-9 p.m.
- c. Feb 5 - Walk to School Wednesday
- d. Feb 12 - McTeacher Night (Estrella/1-10)
- e. Feb 14 & 17 - No School (Mid-First coming 2/14)
- f. Feb 18 - Tax Credit Tuesday
- g. Feb 19 - Kindergarten Open House (5-7 p.m.)
- h. Feb 20 - Box Top Shop & Spring Pictures
- i. Feb 20-28 - Spring Book Fair
- j. Feb 21 -Teacher Luncheon, Patriotic Assembly & Family Fun Night (Book Fair Open)
- k. Feb 25 - PVU: Reading Strategies/Paperbacks with the Principal/Book Fair Evening Shopping

7. Teacher Requests

- a. 4th Grade: Renewal of Scholastic News Magazines, Edition 4 for 4th Graders (\$673.50): Will use Scholastic dollars to pay for renewal after the book fair.
- b. Blayer: SW Teacher of the Year Convention fees (\$350): Blayer is invited to a week-long conference in St. Louis for being the SW PE Teacher of the year. She is also a finalist (1 of 6) for the national award. (Motion: Tricia Sidell, 2nd: Kristen Reinhardt, Unanimously approved)
- c. Fun Run Computer Purchase: 30 laptops suggested, will consider additional laptop purchases at the next general meeting. Will also contact teachers who have not spent their Fun Run money to see if they'd like to put it towards additional laptops (\$450 each). (Motion: Kelly Blayer, 2nd: Dawn Woeslaw, Unanimously Approved)

8. Appreciations

- a. Volunteers of the month- November: Allyson Thompson, December: Paulina Glider

9. Adjourned at 7:45 p.m. (Motion: Kelly Blayer, 2nd: Tricia Sidell, Unanimously Approved)

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Spring Semester Calendar 2014

January

- 31 - Early Release (12:25 p.m.)
- 31 - Parent Mixer @ Majerle's

February

- 5 - Walk to School Wednesday
- 12 - McTeacher Night (Estrella/I-10)
- 14 - No School (In-Service)
- 17 - No School (President's Day)
- 18 - Tax Credit Tuesday
- 19 - Kindergarten Open House
- 20 - Box Top Shop & Spring Pictures
- 20-28 - Spring Book Fair
- 21 - Patriotic Assembly/Family Fun Night
- 28 - Early Release (12:25 p.m.)

March

- 5 - Walk to School Wednesday
- 7 - Yearbook Pre-Orders END
- 10-14 - Spring Break
- 21 - Early Release (12:25 p.m.)
- 25 - Tax Credit Tuesday
- 27 - Box Top Shop
- 28 - Patriotic Assembly/Family Fun Night

April

- 2 - Walk to School Wednesday
- 4 - Early Release (12:25 p.m.)
- 5 - Golf Tournament
- 14-18 AIMS Testing/Snacks
- 22 - Tax Credit Tuesday
- 24 - Box Top Shop (Last of the Year)
- 25 - Patriotic Assembly/Family Fun Night

May

- 1 - All Children Exercise Simultaneously (ACES) Day
- 5-9 - Teacher Appreciation Week
- 7 - Walk to School Wednesday
- 9 - Early Release (12:25 p.m.)
- 19-21 - 5th Grade Science Camp
- 20 - Tax Credit Tuesday
- 23 - Patriotic Assembly
- 23 - Last day of School