

## PROSPECT VALLEY PTA MEETING

May 9, 2024

2:50-4 PM



### 1. Call Meeting to Order

- a. Welcome and introductions
- b. In Attendance:
  - i. Hillary Joseph
  - ii. Larissa Quirk
  - iii. Angela Hendershot
  - iv. Rachelle Dodge
  - v. Shannon Thomas
  - vi. Emily Harris
  - vii. Andrew Thompson
  - viii. Lisa Denton
  - ix. Samantha Walker
  - x. Moniquea Gomez
  - xi. Jenny Henderson
  - xii. Alicia Marsicovetere
  - xiii. Christina Heard
  - xiv. Allison Grigel
  - xv. Kelli Binder
  - xvi. Kari Fragnoli
  - xvii. Autumn Oertli
  - xviii. Theresa Woodhill
  - xix. Leslie Weinstein
  - xx. Christine Simpson

### 2. Approval of April Meeting Minutes (Majken Berglund)

- a. A motion was approved by Kari Fragnoli; Second by Andrea Thompson

### 3. Treasurer's Report (Angie Gibson)

- a. Budget Review - Angie reviewed the current unallocated funds and stated there is \$11,000 left to spend, still with a carryover of \$15,000 next year. There are still funds coming into the account, namely King Soopers. There are also many expenditures happening due to it being the end of the year.
- b. May Expense Requests:
  - i. Mural - \$10,000 - A mural has been proposed to start at the top of the stairs and go down the left hand wall to the bottom of the stairs by the gym area. Photo's were shown of the artist's concept and will also be included in the email that goes out to vote. The mural will be painted over the summer. There were no questions that came up regarding this topic.
  - ii. Retirement Party - \$250 - This will be for Mrs. Becker and Mrs. Ramirez to provide cake, lemonade and memory books with notecards for everyone to sign. Please join us on May 20th on the PV Courtyard to celebrate these wonderful teachers.
  - iii. Family Engagement Summit - \$173 - Family Engagement Summit: Lisa requested funds to take a few parents and herself to the summit which will be hosted in Denver next year.

### 4. President's Report (Hillary Joseph)

- a. PTA Highlights:
  1. Mr. Weaver Day – Successful day with participants and volunteers. The kids really enjoyed the crafts, activities, and the community being involved. Thank you to Lisa Denton.
  2. PV Showcase – Thank you to all the volunteers who made the event happen. There was a large community that came out to the event. Thank you to Emily Harris, David Harris, Michelle Ames & Alicia Marsicovetere for making this evening happen.
  3. Load the Lounge – Thank you to Samantha Walker and Moniquea Gomez for all of their hard-work in making these special acts of kindness happen.
  4. Teacher Appreciation Week – Big thank you to Moniquea Gomez, Samantha Walker, and Jessica Tribbett for making this happen. The entire PV staff was overjoyed and so appreciated everything that is done for them.
- b. Open Chair Positions:
  - i. Fun Run Co-Chair – Meetings will start over the summer.
  - ii. Spelling Bee
  - iii. Reflections
  - iv. Safety and Security
- c. New Chair Positions: There are 2 proposed new chair positions to help fill gaps that we found this year. If interested in the family and community engagement chair, please reach out to [prospectvalleypta@gmail.com](mailto:prospectvalleypta@gmail.com).
  - i. Family and Community Engagement
  - ii. Teacher/Staff Liasion - Allison Grigel
- d. Review of May-hem dates of May.
  - i. May 10 - Field Day
  - ii. May 10 – Volunteer Appreciation Event at Wolf and Wildflower – 4:30-6:30
  - iii. May 11 – Ninja Nation Event -Call for Volunteers - see Signup Genius in Flash
  - iv. May 14 - Connections Team final meeting – 6pm PV Library
  - v. May 17 – Talent Show
  - vi. May 20 – Retirement Party – 3pm PV Courtyard
  - vii. May 23 - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Continuation
  - viii. May 24 – Last Day of School (early release)/ End of School Park Gathering (Chester-Portsmouth Park)

## 5. Principal's Report (Andy Schrant)

- a. Thank you to the outgoing PTA Board; Thank you to the outgoing 5th-grade parents.
- b. Staffing Update
  - i. Kinder: Sherry Becker will be moving into a para-professional/tutor position next year. She will be stepping away from the classroom. She will be working with students in primary grades; Emily Noone is moving from 1<sup>st</sup> to Kinder. Mrs. Anderson to move from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 1<sup>st</sup>. Mrs. Rameriz is retiring from teaching.; Brittany Lacey will be taking a full-time teaching position in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. Jacae Bocca will come to PV in 2nd grade. Jacae is new to PV. Trails Program is still pending a one-on-one para-professional and two full-time positions. Andy met with the district about these positions today (5.9.24) to discuss getting these placements set in place. Trying to get a really solid team in place to have consistency for that program next year. Matt

Lunger will be coming over to be the full-time Assistant Principal from a DPS School.

c. End of the Year: Lots of Ups and Downs

There was a lot of new staff and students at the beginning of the year. Taking lessons that were learned and getting better from them. The Connections Team was important to make things work within the school. Lots of reflections on the “why” of being in education. Why did we get into education and how to always stay true to the mission?

Panorama Data: This was provided to teachers, families, and students earlier in 2024. There was a lot of clear information provided by the students and families. The data themes will be provided at the next connections meeting which will be scheduled in early June.

Andy reflected on his three “first” years at PV. Moving through his first year, the building year, and the consolidation year. Next year, the fourth year will really be focused on procedures and instructional teaching. Class lists will be anonymous moving into the 2024-2025 year. It will be more focused on the child versus the “teacher.”

- i. Question: Why do the 5th-grade teachers not rotate through to other teachers based on ability grouping. Andy’s response is that Illustrative Math will be brought in (it was tested this year) for full instruction next year. The teacher and higher-performing level learners will be able to push others to learn at a higher level.

6. Committee Reports

a. Yearbook (Celeste Cardoso & Katia Dougherty)

- i. Celeste Cardoso brought a preview of the yearbook to share with the PTA. Extra yearbooks will be sold out of the main office and at the retirement celebration. Additional times may be added. Yearbooks are available for \$30. A big thank you to Celeste for taking on the process of creating the yearbooks each year!

b. Corporate Sponsorship (Aimee Dixon and Hillary Joseph)

- i. Currently at \$16K committed for the 2024-2025 school year. The magnet and water bottles are already spoken for currently. There are different levels of sponsorship, so all can participate. If you have a business in mind that would like to contribute, please have them reach out to: [PVcorporatesponsorship@gmail.com](mailto:PVcorporatesponsorship@gmail.com)

c. Teacher Appreciation (Moniquea Gomez and Jessica Tribbett)

- i. Moniquea Gomez gave a report on Teacher Appreciation Week. It has been a BIG success this week. Andy gave a secondary shout-out to all that have been involved in making the week happen.

d. 5th Grade Continuation (Andrea Thompson and Emily Harris)

- i. Andrea Thompson gave a report on how the day will go on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. A sign-up genius will go out to the 4th-grade parents requesting help out on the day of the event. A sign-up will go out to the 5th-grade parents to assist with food donations. A third sign-up will go out to assist with the Day at the Park event. Rehearsal will be on May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

An off-site day at the park will be earlier in the week.  
Photo boards will be posted in the hallway leading to the gym of the 5<sup>th</sup> graders.

7. Open Discussion

- a. Timeline: Hillary put together a full timeline of the 2023-2024 PTA year. All spending requests were listed to show the full scope of what the PTA does on a yearly basis.
- b. Summer Playdate Schedule: The dates will be released in the flash and will be at the PV playground.

8. Adjourn Meeting