

PROSPECT VALLEY PTA MEETING

May 4, 2023

3-4 PM



1. Call Meeting to Order- 3:02pm

- a. Welcome and introductions- Check out our new mascot- he doesn't have a name yet but we'll get started on that next school year. Intros around the room. 2 Truths and a Lie from our PV Learning Specialists, Tommy Chase (also our new Dean at PV!) and Tara Gray .

2. Approval of April Meeting Minutes (Rachelle Dodge)- Note that both expense requests from April were approved by membership vote. Motion to approve April minutes by: Katie Critchfield; Seconded by: Ryan Dougavito

3. President's Report (Kari Fragnoli)

a. April PTA Highlights-

- We had Battle of the Books (grades 2-4)
- The new PV Showcase- it was amazing- great performances, science fair, dinner!
- We have a new mascot designed by a PV parent and voted on by PV and Kullerstrand students- his name is TBD.
- Consolidation committees have been working with Kullerstrand (side note- welcome to Angela from Kullerstrand who came to the meeting today)
- The Yearbook is all wrapped up, they have ordered a limited number of extras if you forgot to order one
- Grades 3-5 Spring Author Visit
- Our last Load the Lounge was courtesy of the Kindergarten families

- b. **Volunteer Reception-** May 9th at 1pm- All are welcome to come! We will have a short reception followed by an all-school assembly.

c. End of Year Important Dates-

May 8-12	Staff Appreciation Week
May 9	Volunteer Reception
May 11	Spring Mixer with Kullerstrand
May 12	Dance
May 15	Schoolwide Student Appreciation Field Trip
May 18	Talent Show
May 25	5th Grade Continuation
May 26	Last day of school (early release)

d. Blending Communities / Summer Play Dates

Date	Time	Grade (23-24)	Park
6/25	1:00 PM	5th	Discovery Park
7/9	1:00 PM	4th	Discovery Park
7/16	1:00 PM	3rd	Paramount Park
7/23	1:00 PM	2nd	Paramount Park
7/30	1:00 PM	1st	Tanglewood Park
8/6	1:00 PM	K	Tanglewood Park

- e. **We as a PTA have funded \$20,573.28 to support our school and community (above and beyond our approved budget) this school year. Thanks to all of our families and their fundraising in the Fun Run! The breakdown is as follows:**

Item	Date	Amount
BrainPop	10/6/22	\$405
Battle of the Books	10/6/22	\$180
Tutor Allocation	10/6/22	\$300
Walkie Talkies	11/3/22	\$3,600
Sensory Path	11/18/22	\$2,257.20
Storage Bins for PTA closet	12/8/22	\$300.00
Entry Floor Mats	12/8/22	\$2,879.22
lunch wagons	12/8/22	\$1,399.86
lawn tractor trailer	12/8/22	\$300.00
Battle of the Books prizes	3/2/23	\$60
Storage Shed	3/2/23	\$3,000
Schoolwide Student Event	3/2/23	\$6,000
Washington DC Chaperone	3/2/23	\$570
STEM Classroom	4/6/23	\$15,000
Continuation	4/6/23	\$500

4. Treasurer's Report (Angie Gibson)

- a. **Budget Review** - End of year push- all the staff reimbursements and other receipts are all coming in right now and before the end of the fiscal year in June. We expect to pay out an additional \$20k in expenses still. We will conduct an audit this summer on all spending.
- b. **April Expense Approvals**
- i. \$15,000 STEM Classroom (Andy Schrant)
 - ii. \$500 Continuation (Celeste Cardoso)
- c. **May Expense Requests**
- i. \$678 shed overage (Andy Schrant)- We finally got our 8' x 10' shed estimate from the district and the funding that PTA approved last year was not enough to cover the cost of it; he is \$678 short. The reason we need the shed is lack of storage in the new building even with moving a shed from the old building and the district paying for one new shed, so that is why he is asking for the PTA to fund this shed. Laura Clase has motioned to vote, Katie Critchfield has seconded the request to vote.

5. Principal's Report (Andy Schrant)

- a. **Staffing Update**- Hopefully tomorrow or Monday we will be finalizing next year's staffing. We are still hiring a secondary classroom AN licensed teacher. We are also looking for one additional para to work one-on-one with a student in the AN program. If you know anyone who might be interested, send them Andy's way. Additionally, he is still looking for 2 full-time Kinder paras (one for the 4th classroom and one because Colleen Wicks is moving to be a 2-5th grade para next year). Please spread the word to the PV community-we have had good luck in the past getting paras from our parent community.
- b. **Construction Update**- Traffic consulting firm has completed their study and recommended a traffic flow but the final plan has not been announced. Currently the plan is: north and southbound traffic to PV will enter on Parfet St, drop-off and then exit onto Quail. The new

Hug and Go will handle 18 cars at a time: meaning all 18-20 vehicles will stop while the kids exit. Once all kids are out, the row of 18 will exit and the next group will enter and repeat. The visitor parking lot will only be accessible to enter from Parfet and the staff parking lot will enter from Quail. We will have a bus only lane (we will have 4 buses coming next year) along the current hug and go zone. Pedestrian/bike traffic may still enter via Pierson/Quail or Parfet. We are anticipating that there may be a temporary plan for drop off/pick up when we return in August as construction will not be complete. This is still a work in progress and Andy will communicate the final plan once he has it.

There will also be a study happening about the pedestrian stop light placement on 32nd. Currently it is between Pierson and Quail on 32nd, they will see if it makes sense to move it to the offset intersection at 32nd/Quail.

We are looking at a mid-September open date for the new parking/hug and go/playscapes. The brick mini walls that still remain from the old building all have to all be manually taken down because of asbestos in the foundation, which is what is causing the delays. The playscapes are anticipated to be ready by mid/late October. But, the good news: we will have access to the grass field by the time school starts. Andy appreciates everyone's continued patience.

6. Committee Reports

- a. **Spring Mixer with Kullerstrand (Rachelle Dodge)**- Just a reminder that our Spring Mixer with the Kullerstrand community will be next Thursday, May 11th at Prospect Park from 5-7pm. Mr. Schrant will be grilling up hot dogs, our student leaders from StuCo and JOI Club from both schools will be working together to lead a fun craft activity, and we'll have some dessert truck options, including Em's Ice Cream (and maybe Kona Ice). Come join us for this fun night at the park and get to know some of our new Kullerstrand kids and their families. Registration not required, though there is a sign up genius in the Flash if you are able to help greet or bring something.
- b. **Dance (Samantha Walker)**- Please volunteer! Please buy your food ASAP if you plan on eating at the dance. Our new deadline is 5/10 for food. We will have goats, horses, and a photo booth at the dance, and it'll be fun!
- c. **Student Appreciation Event (Andrea Thompson)**- Prospectors at the Park is happening on 5/15. School wide field trip and all students/staff will be there. There are 6 different stations for a fun day, teachers will stay with their classes and rotate through all the stations. Parents are welcome to come and hang out, but no volunteers are needed. Pack a sack lunch! Permission slips have gone out, make sure you sign them so your kid can attend.
- d. **Girls on the Run (Emily Noone)**- Girls on the Run is a curriculum based program offered 2 days a week after school to teach confidence, social skills and train the group to do a 5k after 10 weeks. This will take place in both fall and spring semesters. This program is already running at Kullerstrand and has been very popular. We've had a lot of interest from both PV and Kullerstrand kids. We will hopefully have enough for 2 or 3 teams. We have enough coaches, but we may need some parent volunteers. The fee for the program is \$195 per person and covers the curriculum and entry fee for race. The fee is determined by how many

families at a school qualify for free and reduced lunch. Currently, the fee at Kullerstrand is only \$40. If we have 30% or more families on free and reduced lunch, the fee would be lowered for PV. In the fall, she may need to ask about scholarships sponsored by Girls on the Run and the PV PTA.

- e. **Teacher Appreciation (Moniquea Reef)**- We've got fun activities and treats planned all week to show our teachers and staff the love. We are looking for more people to sign up to decorate teacher doors tomorrow (Friday).
- f. **Continuation (Celeste Cardoso)**-
 - Theme: Oh the places you'll go
 - 5th Grade Activity: Bowling (thanks to parents/teachers for volunteering to drive)
 - Continuation ceremony May 25 @ 9AM
 - They will have a combo of food donations and catering
 - There will be a digital memory book this year due to printing costs
 - After Continuation we are planning a play date at the park which won't be funded by the school
 - Volunteers needed day of to help set up and tear down
 - The committee has been incredible: Sarah Roman, Erika Martin, Yvonne Castillo, Catherine Jones and Mara Noel.
- g. **Family Liaison EOY Recap (Cara Jakab)**- Thank you PTA for all the big and little things this year. Volunteerism makes the day go round- thank you for the partnership with the building move and all the changes. Thank you to all the chairs and board. Thank you for the \$1000 we gave her earlier in the school year. It has been put to good use. Please make sure you can come to the Volunteer Reception and Assembly. Lisa Denton is the new PV Liaison starting next year and Cara will miss us all.

7. **Open Discussion-** Trees! Are any of them being saved?? The cottonwoods were 80-100 years old that had tons of "widow maker" branches. Andy had arborists look at the health of those trees and many of them have been on life support since last year and we've put a lot of money into them, but they can't justify the continued expense. The trees were taken down also because of their locations related to new hardscapes. There will be saplings/new trees planted.

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9. **Adjourn Meeting-4pm**

Attendance

Rachelle Dodge
Kari Fragnoli

Angie Gibson
Andy Schrant
Hillary Joseph
Ashley Palubinski
Lindsay Koller
Angela Hendershot
Shannon Thomas
Aimee Dixon
Katie Critchfield
Samantha Walker
Tara Gray
Tommy Chase
Brittany Lacy
Tiffany Coolidge
Laura Clase
Sara True
Andrea Thompson
Cara Jakab
Ryan Dougavito
Allison Grigel
Kristin (on Zoom, no last name)