

September 2023 General Meeting

September 6, 2023

Call to Order: 8:34am

Attendees: Mrs. Culpepper, Liz Cahill, Carolyn Cherrie, Colleen List, Emily Morey, Danni Dennison, Anna Tucker-White, Erika Parker, Grace Benson, Richard Fields, Nina Ishibashi, Heather Maulk, Kat Mazza

Total Attendees: 38

Approval of Previous Minutes- June 2023:

- 1st motion to approve: Anna Tucker-White. 2nd motion: Emily Morey

PFA President's Message:

- What is PFA & What is Direct Donation?
- Goals for the Year-To support the school and staff in any way possible, use PFA finds to have amazing school events and supplement costs to school. Bigger goal is to raise additional funds for a new full time Campus Safety Assistant. 40k salary goal, 40 hours a week from 8-2:30pm
- Thank you's
 - Welcome Back Wizard Event (staff, parents and students) was big success
 - Popsicle Fridays- (last one 9/27) Thank you for chairing, Victoria!,
 - FFN Little Calf- thank you to all who supported!
 - Teacher Welcome Back Breakfast(9/20)- "Welcome Back to the Circus" theme. Thank you to Emily and Colleen for organizing and also for all that contribute.
 - Book Fair- Shout out to Angela Foll for chairing the event!
 - September Staff Appreciation- Thank you to all that donated items or their time to spoil the teachers and staff this month.
 - Family Fun Night @ Sharky's (9/13)- Thank you to Brianna Melman and Melanie Berman for organizing the event!

Board Member Reports

- President & Co-President: Carolyn Cherrie & Danni Dennison
- Direct Donations & Corporate Matching: Alyssa Ruiz, Heather Mauk
- School Site Council: Richard Fields- meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of the month if you would like to join. We are currently in need of 3 DAC reps, if interested please reach out to Richard directly.
 - Please refer to School Site Council Notes for more details- <https://www.conejousd.org/domain/803>
- Social Media: Erica Parker
- Volunteer & Teacher Appreciation Coordinators: Colleen List, Emily Morey
- Room Parent Coordinators: Nina Ishibashi & Kathryn Mazza
- Marketing: Esther Windebank
- Treasurers: Charlene Lee & Jaime Davison
- Accounts Receivable: Charlene Lee

- Website: Julie Jacobs
- Recording Secretary: Anna Tucker-White
- Parliamentarian: Liz Cahill

Old Business:

- Campus Beautification- New ural (MPR doors), Kinder/TK yard ground, Front Office and MPR
- Legacy Brick Purchases- help with continual campus beautification
 - www.polarengraving.com/wle to order your personalized brick!
- Playground is complete!

New Business:

- Specialist starting in September
 - Specialists start week of 9/18- Music (TK&K), PE (TK&K), Art & Makerspace
- Upcoming Events & Activities- All on the PFA website
 - Popcicle Friday- Most fridays in Sept & Oct: resuming after Spring Break
 - Book Fair- THIS WEEK! 9/5-9/8
 - Back to School Night- Thursday, 9/7- TK-2nd 6-6:30pm & 3rd-5th 7-7:30pm
Principal presentation in courtyard at 6:30pm
 - Spiritwear- Last Day to order is Sunday, 9/10
 - Family Fun Night @ Sharky's- 9/12
 - School Site Council Meeting- 9/13
 - Movie Night- Mario Movie!! Friday, 9/22
 - Yearbook- Discount if ordered by 9/30
 - Walk/Ride to School Wednesday- 10/4
 - Picture Day- 10/19
 - Egg Drop Challenge- 11/26
- Follow Westlake Elementary School PFA in Instagram and Facebook
- Remember to check the PFA website for more info: www.westlakeelementaryschool.com

Principal Message:

- Playgrounds and MPR upgrades are completed.
- There will not be a childcare building on the first basketball court anymore. Adjustments are being made to that plan.
- We are working with the health department to find a solution to move the kitchen to a more appropriate location on campus.
- The bistro umbrellas that go with the new lunch table are backordered and will hopefully arrive in September.
- Enrollment: last year 460. This year: currently at 530
- Back to School Night- Thursday, 9/7- TK-2nd 6-6:30pm & 3rd-5th 7-7:30pm. Principal presentation in courtyard at 6:30pm
- Looking to hire the full time Campus Safety Assistant. 40k salary, 8-2:30pm. No uniform will be worn, juts a vest like after safety assistants. They will be overseeing recess and lunches, and when students are not present they will walk the campus perimeter.

Public Comments and Questions:

- Question by Megan Lockridge: can we volunteer as early morning supervisors to allow kids to play prior to the start of school.
 - Culpepper: We are unable to have volunteer supervisors due to unionized hiring standards of needing classified employees.
 - Discussion about possible Run Club overseen by Mr. Lane ensued as a possible solution.

Meeting Adjournment 9:21am