

# Westlake Elementary Parent Faculty Association

1571 E. Potrero Road · Westlake Village, CA 91361



April 2025 General Meeting Minutes

April 2, 2025

Call to Order at 8:31 a.m.

PFA Board Attendees: Dannii Dennison, Anna Tucker-White, Colleen List, Kandice Ligonde, Deanna Pihos, Victoria Amodio, Jaclyn Santiago, Erica Parker, Grace Benson, Carloyn Cherrie, Heather Mauk

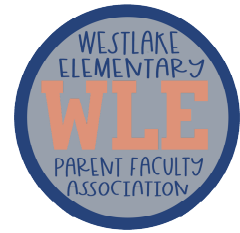
Also Attending: Mrs. Culpepper

Total Attendees: 21

- Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (March 26th)
  - 1st: Chris Winthrop; 2nd: Colleen List
  
- President's Message
  - Talent Show
    - Huge thank you to Elle Gelfond, Lindsay Pfeifer, Nik Mayer, Lauren Rosen, Dannii Dennison, Anna Tucker-White, Diane Shap and many others!
    - Over 100 kids / 52 acts / 2 days of assemblies / 2 nights
    - Had a \$5 entry fee and will be able to invest in new equipment with proceeds
  - Gala & Auction
    - Raised \$64,000 for STEM lab
    - Mrs. Culpepper is already working on putting together plans for money
  - CRPD Recess expenditure of \$1,221 for supervision was approved by vote on March 10
  - FFN Update
    - Thank you to Lyndee Rothbard & Heather Ighani for organizing
    - Mendocino Farms (March 12) - \$260 came back to WLE (20%)
    - Parents night out at Victory Gymnastics – \$432 came back to WLE (60%); thank you to Sydene for organizing
    - To date, have raised \$6,046.59, which is \$1,276.59 over budget target
    - Habit Burger (April 16) / Tarantula Hill (May 13) / Bacio de Latte (June 4)
  - Spiritwear
    - Thank you to Ali Knipprath
    - Working on orders from the flash sale, orders will be shipped in next few weeks
  - Birthday in lights – please sign up for Spring birthdays
  
- Board Report Updates
  - Direct Donations - at \$76,333 for the school year
  - Corporate Matching - at \$13,574.70 for the school year
    - Volunteers should check on donations for volunteer hours
  - Teacher appreciation
    - Will take place May 5 – 9 and will be Fiesta theme
    - A flier will be going out soon with details
  - School Site Council – Grace reported on highlights from March SSC meeting:
    - Immigration policy was discussed

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- Reviewed SPSA plan and going over goals
  - School choice lottery was held and results are going out this month, there is a new system where you can check results online
  - Mental health wellness report – visits to wellness counselors have doubled
  - Drew Fletcher is still looking for stories on Measure I improvements
  - Conejo schools foundation's music festival is coming up
  - Conejo closet is still in need of support
  - District summer programs are open for registration
  - TO Library has many activities going on over Spring break
  - Updates were also given from DELAC, LGBTQ+, CDAC, SDAC, Gate DAC
  - Public comments: Julie Freeman is a parent that can give presentation on cell phone use, Katie Wilkes has been in touch with Julie about coming to our school
  - Next meeting is April 9
  - Marketing – working on Wizard Spring Carnival, Legacy Bricks, updating school display
  - Parliamentarian – Carolyn Cherrie announced nominations for 2025-2026 Board, which will be voted on next month:
    - Co-Presidents: Anna Tucker White, Victoria Amodio
    - Parliamentarian – Dannii Dennison
    - VP Direct Donation – Alyssa Ruiz
    - Corporate Matching – Heather Mauk
    - Treasurer – Charlene Lee (this will be her last year, would be good to have someone shadow her)
    - Accounts Receivable – Diane Shap
    - Recording Secretary – Deanna Pihos
    - Corresponding Secretary – Rebecca Tillman
    - SSC – Grace Benson & Richard Fields
    - Website – Cecilia Gores
    - Volunteers – Kandice Ligonde, Kim Furniss
    - Room Parents – Colleen List, Emily Morey
    - Social Media – Erica Parker
- Principal's Message
- Working on enrollment for next year – slight drop in enrollment
  - Have been getting quotes for Makerspace – paint, new flooring, cabinets, new equipment, new tables & chairs
  - Working on PE space behind childcare with Measure I funds, will be done in the summer, getting a shed for emergency supplies
  - Dance has started
  - Human growth & development for 4<sup>th</sup> grade (April 15) & 5<sup>th</sup> grade (April 16) – recommend watching with your kids
  - GATE testing for second graders will take place in April
- New Business
- Dannii proposed to table using excess budget of \$30k towards STEM lab
    - 1<sup>st</sup>: Stephanie Blesofsky; 2<sup>nd</sup> Anna Tucker White
    - Will vote on this proposal next month
  - Yearbook Cover Contest has been launched
  - Custom yearbook pages must be done by May 14
  - Deadline to order yearbook to get at school May 16

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- FFN @ Habit Burger (April 16) - 20% back to WLE
- 80's Bowling with Sons - April 5
- Popsicle Fridays coming back on April 11
- "Wicked" Daughter Dance - April 11
- Bunco - new dates May 7 & 8
- FFN at Tarantula Hill – May 13
- Wizard Spring Carnival - May 16
- FFN at Bacio di Latte - June 4

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 am