# PTC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

## March 13, 2024 @ 7:00PM

#### **Attendees**

- X Dr. Renee Mallot, Principal
- X Erin Shoemake, Teacher Rep
- X Nancy Erwin, Teacher Rep
- X Laurel Plewe, President
- X Mike Roe, Treasurer
- X Emily Orloff, VP Communications
- X Rebecca Clark, VP Fundraising (co-seat)
- X Janelle Harris, VP Fundraising (co-seat)
- X Andi McKinney, Secretary

## Agenda Items

# I. President Report Out (Laurel)

- a. Feedback on Past events:
  - Gala was a huge fundraising success.
  - ii. Glow Bingo kids loved the event. Don't need tickets for the prizes, just have adult oversee the station and give one item per child. More black lights would be fun. Sell spirit wear in neon colors could be fun for the event too. The colors could also tie into the color run colors. Bigger numbers on the balls for bingo to be easier to read.
  - iii. Read-a-thon Enjoying the reading week events this week with parent readers and appreciate the focus on reading rather than it being a fundraiser. Because we did so well with the Gala and dolphin drive, we didn't need it to be a fundraiser. The goal for the school was read 3 million words in 2 weeks and currently we are at 7.6 million words. The amount of 1st and 2nd graders that have hit milestones is amazing and motivational for the younger grade levels. The students have reached the goal, so Mrs. Shedd will be duct-taped to the gym wall on March 22nd after the awards assembly.
- b. Planning Details for Upcoming Main Events / Activities:
  - i. Science fair on April 22 supported by PTC, but really put on by the school. The evening of April 22 will be Family Science Night in the gym.
  - ii. Golf Event April 29 Jenny explained the details and explained could use help with sponsorships. We currently have about 46 golfers signed-up so far. Chick-fil-a may possibly donate breakfast items for the event. There will be a drink cart and snacks at some holes. Cocktail reception will be held afterwards. Also need volunteers, check out LFPTC.org to sign up to volunteer. Currently have 4 or 5 hole sponsors, waiting to hear from Toyota on the hole in one sponsorship. The goal is for the event to break even, so don't need this event to be a fundraiser. No money will be made

- on ticket sales. Lisa expressed appreciation for everyone helping with this event.
- iii. Book Fair May 1 May 9 volunteers will be needed and will be posted on LFPTC.org after spring break for those that can sign up to volunteer.
- iv. Open House May 8
- v. Staff Appreciation Week May 6 May 10 Jessica Novelli is going to head up the details for the week.
- vi. Color Run May 17 Stacey Neoporte is underway planning this event.

## c. Board Member Voting

- i. Shannon Alexander presented on running for President.
- ii. Renata Bell presented on running for VP of Fundraising.
- iii. Ashley Huber has been appointed to take over the remaining term Emily's term. Then next year she could be re-elected as a full 2-year term.
- Iv. Passed out ballots for voting.
- v. Shannon and Renata were elected for the positions of President and VP of Fundraising, respectively.

# II. Treasurer Report Out (Mike)

a. Balance of the accounts is as follows:

ACCOUNT	2/13/2024	3/13/2024
Checking	\$81,867.71	\$81,090.39
Savings	\$58,721.47	\$58,722.39
TOTAL	\$140,589.18	\$139,812.78

- b. Budget looks good for next school year.
- c. Continuing to receive dolphin drive matches too.
- d. The remaining expenses for this school year are all covered.

## III. Communications Report Out (Emily)

a. Check our website for updates – info on volunteering, upcoming events, minutes, agendas, etc. are all on our website. LFPTC.org

# IV. VP Fundraising Report Out (Rebecca / Janelle)

- a. Rebecca / Janelle met with Mike and the budget looks good, we don't need to do any more fundraising this year. Made around \$64,000 at the Gala and Dolphin Drive did well too.
- b. Gala will be at Serrano on Saturday, Nov. 16th. First meeting for Gala Planning is April 16th at 9am (location TBD) and would love more to join in the planning and help. Megan Sutphin will be the Chair for the Gala with Renata's help of course. Although Serrano has a smaller capacity limit, we didn't end up with many more people attending this year than last year. We only had 16 more people this year attend than the prior year. An idea could be to have a joint venture but there are complexities with the concept too.
- c. Dolphin drive is planned to occur in Spring 2025 and also includes a company match program.
- d. An idea to do a district-wide event with all the schools could be to do a BBQ. A raffle could be incorporated as part of the event rather than an auction to create

- more of an inclusive participation.
- e. The schools have all shared a google sheet on resources to share materials and supplies has worked well.

# V. Secretary Report Out (Andi)

a. Last General Meeting for this school year will be May 14.

# VI. Teacher Report out (Erin / Nancy)

## TK / K

■ This week we are learning about the letter Vv which means we have learned almost all of the letter sounds! After Spring Break we will start practicing for our musical "the Three Piggy Opera."

# Kindergarten

- Students have been dancing to our Western dances to showcase to parents on March 19th. This pairs with our farm unit study. We will be observing chicks hatch soon in our classrooms.
- In math, we are studying how to represent teen numbers in ten frames and practicing measurement. We will measure potatoes and graph Lucky Charm shapes after we look for leprechaun clues!
- We are challenging ourselves to write 3 or more sentences for beginning our paragraph structure and reading for 20 minutes to ourselves. We have loved "I LOVE READING" week activities and all of our guest readers. Their reading expression has been so engaging with their outfits and voices.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

■ First grade is enjoying all of the special reading activities that come along with I Love Reading Week. Last week we held a "birthday party" for the fictional character, Mercy Watson. We have read most or all of the Mercy Watson series as a class this year. Today we held "Camp Read-a-Lot" and transformed our classrooms into campsites. We did camping themed activities and students had their own individual tents to read in. We have an upcoming field trip to Fog Willow Science Farm we are preparing for on April 11.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

■ We enjoyed our Field Trip to the Zoo at the end of February. It was a great way to connect our Benchmark Reading unit on "Plants and Animals in their Habitats". Students loved seeing animals that they were studying in reading and writing in real life. We are happy that all parent chaperones that desired to attend the field trip volunteered for us! Thank you parents! We are learning about Time and Money in Math, which is always fun to study..

# 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

■ Third grade is working on research biographies. Third graders have also begun reading *Charlotte's Web*. We are excited for our upcoming field trip to the Sac zoo and had a blast last month at the play. We are continuing to prepare for next month's test as it will be their first year experiencing the CAASPP test. We are also learning to write elaborate narratives and practicing using imagery and descriptive language.

## 4<sup>th</sup> grade

■ The studnets are preparing their speeches, posters, and costumes for the wax museum on Thursday, March 14.

# 5th grade

■ Our grade loved Project Lead and Shield officer visits. We loved International Women's Day! It was amazing! We are studying geometry and graphing. We are looking forward to American Revolution assemblies and a field trip to River Bend. Pool party and field day scheduled for mid/end of May.

# Library

■ We are in our 2nd week of I Love Reading week. We have guest readers in classrooms. The students are at over 7 million words so the students will duct tape me to the wall in the gym. We will do that on 3/22.

## Counselor

■ The 2nd round of 4th and 5th grade Peace Patrol students have been trained and are out at recess every day. They are helping with conflict resolution as well as being a "Friend Finder" to anyone who might need someone to play with. They can either help them find someone to play with, direct them to an activity, or play with them themselves. New counseling small groups have started. We will spend 6-8 weeks reviewing and practicing skills in each group (anxiety management, self-regulation and social skills).

#### Garden

- Project Green and professional photographer Caroline Grupp will be taking Spring/Easter family portraits in the LF garden on Saturday March 9th. Beautiful spring props were created for the photo shoot. Hoping to get a great turnout
- The garden classroom in F-1 has expanded, giving us much more needed space to conduct indoor garden lessons when the weather is bad or when the lesson requires an indoor environment like our Hydroponics. The students are so excited about this.
- We will be adding an area rug and bean bag chairs for a quiet garden library for students, Behavorial Aide, and Christine McKelvey to use when needed. A calming area. We will hang wall book shelves stocked with garden books.

- Mr. Bobbie, one of our garden parent volunteers, assembled a brand new picnic table with two of our 5th grade boys and placed it in the classroom! Yes, a picnic table.
- Our Hydroponics Unit is now accessible on all sides for students to care for the plants!
- Recess garden times for the students continues to be a huge success and lessons continue to be taught on a daily basis. Our classes are booked til the end of the school year.
- Please stop by and pay us a visit anytime. The kids love showing off the new classroom!

Anything you would like to add/contribute to this new space or garden is greatly appreciated. Thank you!!

## <u>LIP</u>

■ LIP moved to F8 where we've utilized a larger space. You may find us playing phonics games with first graders, or continuing to challenge 2-5th graders with our read naturally program. We are enjoying the reading challenges this week and dressing up!

### Math Intervention

■ The math room has moved to F-1, the students are excited about the new space. The new location will allow me to utilize the tables outside the classroom and the garden space for some of my small group lessons. I have begun working with the 1st grade students on number recognition, place value and fact families. I aim to encourage a mindset that math is fun and build confidence in math skills. In 2nd grade groups we are rocking around the clock to learn how to tell time and how to count coins.

## **Art Specialist**

■ We have been jamming' through some fun projects! We just finished our "line" art projects. All grade levels learned about the most important element of art which is lines. Students enjoyed getting creative, we are on to Claude Monet this week, we are learning about impressionist art, the blurry-ness of that style painting and we even have pictures.

#### Physical Education

■ PE once a month fastest class challenge.

# VII. Principal Report Out (Renee Mallot)

- a. Unified Basketball Tournament: April 25
  - i. Lake Forest is hosting this event for the district. This is the first time to have this event. The goal is to do basketball in the spring and soccer in the fall. This event is for the EDCOE County special needs program and

- the SDC classes. Each school site has 8-14 students that will participate and is paired with a general-ed student. The basketball hoops are 6 feet high and there will be two half court games to participate in.
- b. The Science Fair will be on April 22 (required for all 5th graders, optional for 4th grade). That same evening will be Science Fair evening and requesting families to volunteer to have a science fair booth for the evening event.
- c. El Dorado County Sheriff, Deputy Dougherty, has been on campus and their goal is to build community at the school. He has spoken with many of the classes, been out at recess and at lunch and participated with staff in an active violence training. They go to many schools and are in the EDH area this week.
- d. Student Council Activities
  - i. Student Council is working on the flower bouquets to deliver to community members.

### e. Beautification

- i. Dr. Mallot met with Laura Watts about ideas. All the lines on campus need to be repainted. Could paint color on the basketball hoops, repaint the 4-square and hopscotch. There are some sides of the buildings that could be done by students and/or volunteers. She is going to prepare some renderings for review. The area outside the library needs to be redesigned and the existing trees need to be removed. A retaining wall could be built and bring in mature olive trees. Ideally the space would be for students that want a place to go during recess where they can sit and do other activities (read, draw, etc.). Also need to get a quote on the removal of the trees. The District would not be paying for this. CalFire just opened a grant for schools and non-profits that is specifically for adding trees. The beautification money that has been put aside for this year's budget will still be put towards something on campus and will be evaluated further once the rendering is received from Laura.
- f. Published List of Field Trips for 2023 2024 school year
  - i. Will be published at the end of this week to summarize this school year's list of field trips and experiences.