PTC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

January 7, 2025 @ 5:00PM

Attendees

- X Dr. Renee Mallot, Principal
- X Erin Shoemake, Teacher Rep
- ___ Nancy Erwin, Teacher Rep (not in attendance)
- X Shannon Alexander, President
- X Mike Roe, Treasurer
- X Ashley Huber, VP Communications
- X Renata Bell, VP Fundraising
- X Andi McKinney, Secretary

Agenda Items

I. New Business

a. No new items to discuss

II. Treasurer Report Out (Mike)

b. Mike reported on the balance of the accounts.

ACCOUNT	12/3/2024	1/7/2025
Checking	\$113,079.02	\$104,691.18
Savings	\$30,003.33	\$30,003.85
TOTAL	\$143,082.35	\$134,695.03

c. Gala Results

- Gala was a big success! Made a profit of about \$70,000. More money is coming in from corporate matches.
- Made more than anticipated and expenses were less than anticipated!
- d. Santa Breakfast Results
 - \$6700 was the profit
- e. Upcoming Costs / Expenses
 - No substantial costs anticipated

II. President Report Out (Shannon)

- a. Past Event Feedback
 - Santa Breakfast had great turnout and was enjoyed by those that attended.
 - Santa Run was a hit even with the rain.
 - The Girl Scouts did the hot cocoa and cookies for the Santa Run; they did a great job.
- b. Upcoming Events / Planning Details
 - Bingo / Glow Dance March 7
 - Golf Tournament April 28
 - Dolphin Drive dates TBD
 - I love reading week will also include a used book sale
- c. Parent Survey
 - Available to access on dojo in the message on the summary of the expenses and funding needs.
- d. Spirit Wear
 - General flyer to purchase spirit wear is available in the office to place orders to avoid having inventory to store. There are beanies and bows for purchase.
- e. Beautification Project Blacktop painting project
 - Janelle researched pricing for other paint options
 - Looked into many different options but not a lot of options for bonding with asphalt and longevity of the paint.
 - Consider sending out a survey to staff regarding the blacktop project to get feedback on the project and how it is used.
 - It was stated that the painted basketball court is very slick and slippery when at the school during the break. Lora is going to investigate this and see if there is a resolution or reason for this to occur. The paint is a street-bond paint and is not supposed to be slippery.
 - Project Green Mrs. Johnston is working on writing a grant to do a welcome path from Marina side to the garden.
 - Another idea for funding could be to ask for corporate sponsors and include their name next to the painted project. It was noted to possibly have a sponsorship sign on campus or a social media push if that is more of an incentive.
 - Would like to get student input on the blacktop project. Dr. Mallot will ask teachers to get student feedback by spending a few minutes in the classroom asking them some questions. Janelle will prepare a list of questions to ask students.
 - Janelle will send Andi the link to the presentation that can be included in the minutes.
 - End of school year goals complete the four square areas, basketball court, rhythm blocks and welcome path.

- The welcome path would be covered by the grant funding. \$2,000 would cover the phase 1 area (finish the one basketball court, the line dots for three classrooms in 1st grade, and finishing the four squares and the rhythm blocks).
- The PTC Board is willing to consider contributing another \$2,000 to finish the phase 1 areas outlined above. Dr. Mallot made a motion and Mrs. Shoemake seconded the motion. All voted to agree to allocate \$2,000 to beautification.

IV. VP Fundraising Report Out (Renata)

- a. Gala discussed above, did well and feedback is to do it at Serano again and in the fall seems to be a good time of year. Tentative date is Nov. 15, 2025 for next school year's Gala.
- b. Box Tops have slowed down a bit, but will resend the link. Box tops is an app where you scan a receipt and money is sent directly to the school for items purchased on the receipt that qualify as 'box-tops'.
- c. Golf Tournament This event is being organized by a group of dads! Ticket sales are expected to be released by the end of January for early bird deal. The event is April 28th at Cameron Park Country Club.

IV. Communications Report Out (Ashley)

- a. Check social media for recent posts. Not many new posts because of the holiday break.
- b. Friday folders will have some flyers for summary of costs and funding needs and upcoming dine-out fundraiser.

V. Secretary Report Out (Andi)

a. Open Board Positions for Secretary, Treasurer and Communications will be voted on at the March meeting.

Executive and General Meetings Schedule - 1st Tuesday of the month		
1/7	Agenda: Mid-year update/follow-up	
	(General and Executive Meeting)	
2/4	Agenda: TBD	
	(Executive Meeting only)	
3/4	Agenda: VOTE Treasurer, VP Communications and Secretary	
	(General and Executive Meeting)	
4/1	Agenda: TBD	
	(Executive Meeting only)	
5/6	Agenda: End of year review	
	(General and Executive Meeting)	

V. Teacher Report Out (Erin / Nancy)

<u>TK / K</u>

• We have had a great start to the new year! We are continuing to learn our letters and their sounds! We are learning our 4th sight word, on our way to 20 by the end of the year. We are about to begin working on numbers 1-20. We look forward to a great month!

Kindergarten

■ We started back to school in good spirits as we discussed our New Year's goals and sharing about our Holiday experiences. We are looking forward to celebrating the 100th Day of school on Friday, January 17th! You may hear us chanting, "Hip Hip Hooray for the 100th Day!"

• We are learning how to subtract within 10 this month and discussing our literary elements for "Three Billy Goats Gruff" to show what we know for our reading comprehension. We are half-way to 1st grade this month!

<u>1st Grade</u>

■ First grade is looking forward to getting back into routine and spending January focusing heavily on academics, particularly their phonological awareness to really boost reading skills. We are introducing long vowels this month and in math we are writing and using numbers to 120. We will also learn about some arctic animals, such as polar bears and walruses in science.

2nd grade

■ Second grade is excited to be back in school after a great break! We are focusing on double digit subtraction and borrowing in math. We also finished up our unit on holidays around the world. We will be focusing on our phonics instruction in the coming weeks and are excited to use the Really Great Reading program!

<u>3rd grade</u>

■ Third grade is off to a great new year. We are well on our way with opinion writing but we will also be incorporating New Year Goals with writing. We are in the middle of our government unit and have discussed elections, branches of government and such. We will also be learning about inauguration and its process as it is coming up this month! We are in the process of nailing down our field trips for the spring and will report to families as soon as they are set in stone. We are waiting on transportation to be finalized. We will also be learning about MLK and his significance.

<u>4th grade</u>

■ 4th grade is back at it after a nice break. We will be hosting some folks from "A Touch of Understanding" on Thursday. We will learn what it feels like to have certain disabilities, by experiencing using a wheelchair, writing in braille, using a walking stick, and also hear people with disabilities talk about their experiences and how they have overcome the challenges they face and led fulfilling lives. We had a fabulous time in Coloma prior to break. In class we are working on fractions, writing, and increasing our range of reading by reading a new genre of book each month. Wax Museum is upcoming this spring!

<u>5th grade</u>

• We had a great field trip to the MOSAC museum in Dec. <u>Project Lead</u> will start the week of January 20. The El Dorado County DA's will lead a 12 week program about making good choices and discuss different consequences that may arise if and when rules are broken. We are enjoying our time with Ms. Lana in art.

<u>Counselor</u>

This month I will be visiting each class and talking about honesty, the character trait we are focusing on this month. For the TK-1st classes, I will be using the Kimochis SEL program. I am so excited to introduce the students to Cat. Cat can sometimes be a little too bossy for her friends' liking, and we will talk about how important it is to be honest, while also emphasizing that we don't have to say something we are thinking just to be "honest." The whole "think it or say it?" idea. I finished up most of my counseling small groups for the first session (social skills, anxiety management and self-regulation) and will be starting session 2 of small groups in the next few weeks.

Library

• This month we will begin reading the Nominated California Young Reader Medal Books. These books have been nominated to win an award for California for best books. Each week I will read a different book to each grade level. There are books for Primary Picture Books grades K-3rd, Upper Grade Picture Books grade 4th and 5th, and Chapter Books for Grades 3rd-5th. Once all the Books have been read, the students will have an opportunity to vote on their favorite book. The voting will take place in February. I will then submit the winners to the California Young Reader Medal board. Winners are announced in May. I will also be displaying Library Books about Honesty.

Garden

■ This month we will be focusing on one of my favorites: Composting!! Students will do hands-on activities that include dumping lunch/food waste from our very own school cafeteria. They will learn what foods break down and speed up the process of breaking down our yard waste. They will turn the compost piles and add old plants, veggies, and seedless weeds.

■ Fun fact: this past year the students created enough soil from our compost to fill up 6 of our garden beds. We are doing an experiment with how healthy our plants grow from our own soil vs. store bought.

Also have an upcoming Eagle Scout Project.

<u>LIP</u>

<u>Science</u>

The Science Fair date is set for March 12th, all 5th graders will be participating. Flyers will be sent out this week in Science class.

Physical Education

Frosty's fun run starts this week for January's fastest class challenge.

VIII. Principal Report Out (Dr. Renee Mallot)

- a. Abby (the dog) is so well loved in the office.
- b. Science fair date is March 12th. The 5th graders will present the science projects and will also ask parents in the community to participate in the Science Fair Family night that same evening.
- c. March 7th is International Women's Day. The format will be an International Women's Day passport where students get a sticker from the presenter.
- d. Wild Things will attend our school for an assembly. They are based out of Colfax and will bring live animals to share with the students. We will have separate assemblies for TK-2nd and 3rd-5th.
- e. There are a few new staff members on campus.
 - Mrs. Miller has a student teacher, Jen Barisone.
 - Mrs. Klamppt is a counselor on campus one-day per week (Thursdays).
 - Janelle Harris is a new LIP teacher.
- f. I love reading week / Read-a-thon
 - Mrs. Shedd has all of the theme days planned out. We've received strong feedback to not have money be an incentive for reading and instead focus on just reading for the love of reading. So there will not be a read-a-thon. There will be some other kind of incentive similar to how Mrs. Shedd was duct-taped to the wall last year.
- g. Student Council
 - Students are meeting on Wednesdays. There are 45 students, and they are so responsible and look forward to the meetings.

IX. Open Discussion

- a. Teacher hosted parties
 - Shannon will follow up on the teacher hosted parties to make sure the dates and details are confirmed.
- b. Beautification Types
 - Lora Watts envisions school environments in different types 1) permanent (i.e. blacktop project), 2) student created exhibits / banners that are made and then are replaced in future years. Could consider having more exhibits / student art displayed on campus.