



PTC Meeting Minutes, January 16, 2025

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Note: Hybrid meeting

IN-PERSON ATTENDEES: Katie Hansen, Soledad Carvajal, Carrie Jara, Amy Thompson, Thien Hua

REMOTE ATTENDEES: Amy Bosch, Jenna Branecki, Lindsay Brown, Maestra Sierra Hill-Leahy, Jackie Kerkhove

- [November 14 Meeting Highlights](#): Federal requirements for school meals; Dia Del Niño to be teacher-run; leads for Communications, Carnival, and Coffee & Community; PTC Secretary transition

NEW BUSINESS: N/A

TREASURER'S REPORT: *Katie Hansen*

- **Reconciliation report-** A few treasurers before use to do this. Shows bank statements and all the checks that were written. **Katie** will start providing this.
- **Pledge Drive-** Still have money coming in from this.
- **Drive for schools-** Did not raise as much as years past. Asked Linda to speak at PTC meeting about pledge drive, but no response.
- **Interest-** Interest earned just over \$3,000. Thank you Katie.
- **After school programs-** \$6,000 still to spend on after school programs.

TEACHER'S REPORT: *Sierra Hill-Leahy*

- **Dia Del Nino-** PTC to provide popsicles for this event. Need someone to buy them. Thien proposed that we should buy a freezer, so we have somewhere to store the popsicles and then we can use it for future events. There is money in the budget for this, Thien to purchase a freezer.
 - Talked about adding popsicles to Popcorn Friday since we will have a freezer to store them now.
 - Teachers would like a Google Doc created for this event.
 - Talent show, are we wanting to have this again?
- **Dine to Donate-** Maestra Sierra says Oswalds is interested in sponsoring a dine to donate. Jackie to reach out.
- **Teacher Grants-** PTC would like an estimate from teachers on how much they are needing for teacher grants. Teachers would like something in writing on what exactly we are needing from them. **Amy B.** will create this. PTC is wanting the grants to cover teachers general cost of supplies. Would like to avoid teachers sending out lists of things they need to parents.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: *Jenna Branecki and Julianna Reyes*

- **Popcorn Friday-** Drinks are going over well. More volunteers, which is great. Will go back to 1st and 3rd Fridays in February.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: *Amy Bosch*

- **Nikki's Presentation-** Nikki makes sure the kids get to their afterschool programs. She also creates the schedule.
 - Math Lab- **Nikki** oversees this. Thien would love to have more math labs. Kids are invited to join based on I-Ready test scores.
 - School of Rock- Mr Brown- 4th and 5th grades only. Anyone can join
 - Acting for stages- PTC pays for this. Very popular with the kids.

- **Alison Cromer** is interested in teaching a home arts class. Wednesday afternoon. \$250 in materials, PTC to cover. Around 30 kids. **Nikki** has approval for this class.
- **Dine to Donate-** Pono, Pizza My Heart and Nicos ice cream are all coming up soon. Nico's Ice Cream is new this year.
- **PTC Recruitment**
 - **Carnival Auction Lead:** No leads on this position. **Mel** presented to the teachers about importance of this role. No progress after this meeting. **Jenna and Mel** are going to start sending out emails to businesses for auction items. **Meastra Jennifer and Mel** created a letter for parents asking for carnival help.
 - **Carnival Lead-** Need someone to take over for **Mel**. Would like this person to shadow her this year.
 - **Coffee and Community Lead:** No leads on this.
 - **Communications Lead-** Need someone to take over for **Lindsay**.
 - **Secretary-Amy Bosch** motions to nominate **Carrie Jara** as secretary and **Katie Hansen** seconds this. All approve.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: Thien Hua

- **California Dashboard-** A website from the CA Department of Ed that shows how schools are doing. They Look at test scores, attendance etc. De Laveaga is doing well overall, but needs to improve on student attendance.
- **Budget-** Covid dollars are ending, district has been planning for this. District is hoping to make budget cuts slowly instead of all at once.
- **Independent Study-** Popular during Covid. Students can do up to 15 days of independent study, State is currently auditing the independent study program. This creates a lot more work for teachers, trying to figure out how to take the burden off of them.

***NEXT MEETING:** February 27, 2025 (4th Thursday of the month)
Hybrid: in-person (DeLaveaga school library) and/or Zoom link.*

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