

PTC General Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date: Thursday, September 28, 2023 - 7:07pm, hybrid



Welcome and Introduction of Board Members

Officer's Reports

- **President- Mary Ellen Rahn** Welcome everyone to the first public board meeting of the year. Eager and excited to have the honor of leading the PTC for our Park View kids.
- **Vice-President- Anna Mayo and Stef Nikitas** Shared an overview of Events to Date. The Golf Outing was a massive success, the Picnic/Movie Night was welcomed by perfect weather, the School Store is doing very well to start the year, and Kindergarten meetup was a great opportunity to get the new kids excited and comfortable with the school. Parents are encouraged to get involved by signing up for event volunteering, or letting Anna Mayo and/or Erica Pecse know if they want to take on additional leadership opportunities within the events. The PTC newsletter was introduced late last school year, please be on the look out as the content includes upcoming event details and volunteering opportunities. Additionally, the PTC event calendar is published quarterly to keep the community updated, and the PTC informational booklet was sent home with kids in September.
- **Secretary- Alec Schraegle** Shared reminders to check the PTC Facebook page for the latest updates to events and activities, and also bring awareness to the PTC website for information and a calendar of events. The public PTC meeting minutes are also posted on the PTC website.
- **Treasurer – Amy Luckett & Melissa Foes** We opened the year with \$40K in the PTC account. For the 2023/2024 school season, our general proposed fundraising will net about \$17.5K through various events and activities. We will spend around \$22K for the year, which funds various educational activities not funded by the district; such as but not limited to in-school events, author visits, and 5th grade celebrations. A committee was formed to plan out fund utilization from the spring fun run funds to be used for recess equipment, and details on this will follow soon. We want to remind everyone that our budget is subject to change as the year progresses and decisions are made to account for adjustments to student body needs. A big win for the PTC financial side is to officially allow for electronic payment options from Venmo, Zelle, and Paypal. Budget was officially approved. Lastly, the Golf Outing netted \$9K for the PTC, and due to the success and positive feedback of the event, we plan to repeat this event in the future.

Mrs. Mate's Principal Report Great Start to the year. Curriculum night, each grade level got to hear about Into Reading resource. Have conducted several safety drills, still working to complete by November 1. September Student Spotlight at BOE meeting-Panther Pals. Clubs and activities are approved and many are starting for grades 3-5: Kickball, Yard Games, Fantasy Football, Service Club, Welcome in Newcomers (WIN), Panther Pals, LMC Book Club, Harry Potter Book Club, Girls on the Run, Band, and Orchestra. Social Emotion Learning has a new resources "Character Strong" so we will begin to send home monthly newsletters with topics and home/school connections. CAC-Citizen Advisory Council-looking for representation. Need to add one more member for PV. Fall Parties will take place on October 3, and following that a Dental Clinic on Nov 1. Conferences will be held on November 9 Evening, 16 Evening and 21 after half day dismissal. Lastly, on December 20 there will be a GSHS Holiday Performance during school.

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Faculty Representative Report- Mrs. Osterman

- Kindergarten has spent time getting to know each other, follow routines, and learn school expectations. Children are becoming more independent and love being together. We just finished our first units in math and reading. They absolutely loved the School Picnic and Movie Night!
- First grade finished up their first reading module with an inquiry project about friendship. We are moving on to looking at our community and why it's special.
- Second Grade is finishing up their Reading and Math Units. We are getting used to routines and adjusting to the rigor of our new Reading Program.
- Our 3rd graders have been working hard in reading to build their knowledge about story characters and what makes them unique. They are also very engaged in our weather unit, where they are making predictions about weather through careful observations of the clouds and wind.
- The 4th graders are hard at work. They are busy reading to create a chain around the 4th grade corner of the building. When they do they will earn a reading celebration. We have started our first life science unit, learning about the eye. We are excited to read about the eye and the senses in our Into Reading book. We are also wrapping up our first piece of writing, a personal narrative.
- Fifth grade is excited for the upcoming Outdoor Education field trip to Camp Duncan. Students will participate in a teams course, climbing tower and other camp activities. They will eat lunch and dinner at the camp. At school, students are starting their next science unit, life science. Students are doing an experiment to see if a plant can grow without soil.
- Art: Your artists are busy working on their monochromatic (one color) self portraits now. When they are finished, they will be hung in the hall to create a schoolwide mural. Over the next few weeks, we will be focusing on using 2D materials such as, pencils, markers, paper, glue, scissors, paint, chalk and oil pastels. Kindergarten will work on drawing different lines in a lines landscape. First grade will be using oil pastels and tempera paint to create peace signs to celebrate the International Day of Peace on Sept. 21st. Second grade will use watercolor paint and text to create an All About Me artwork. Third grade will learn about and create an agamograph. Fourth grade will create a collage portrait inspired by the artist Piven. Fifth grade will create an 'I am a star because...' chalk pastel/3D star artwork. We will explore the elements and principles of art, as well as set goals for each art day using the Studio Habits of Mind.
(<https://theartofeducation.edu/2015/09/2-compelling-reasons-for-using-the-studio-habits-of-mind-in-your-art-room/#:~:text=Over%20a%20decade%20ago%2C%20researchers,Explore%20and%20Understand%20Art%20Worlds>) Studio Habits of Mind video.
- LMC: Thanks for helping your children remember to read and return their library books! We are learning about digital citizenship and digital literacy skills to begin the year in grades 1 through 5.
- Social Work In our classroom SEL lessons, we have been utilizing the CharacterStrong curriculum. Our focus for September is Respect.
- PE 2nd-5th have been doing outdoor yard games which included bags, four square, and now hopefully frisbee golf.

Events/Committee Chairs - Upcoming Events

Current and planned activities A reminder that Room parents help facilitate the parties, and provides general assistance to the teachers. If you signed up for a party and haven't heard from anyone, reach out to the PTC, and please be sure to complete the volunteer form 3 weeks prior to any in-class volunteering opportunities. Erika Pesce is our PTC volunteer coordinator, responsible for managing signup.com, fostering event chair and school contact relationships, and general support of the event chairs. A quick Spirit Wear Update, ordering open all year long, and this is a fundraiser for the PTC.

- Restaurant Night Fundraiser - Raising Cane's on 10/3
- Bookfair/Grandparent Breakfast/Social- 10/13

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- Super Saturday- 12/2, Mrs. Mouse's House and Pancake Breakfast
- Looking to Winter/Spring- Trivia Night, Daddy Daughter Dance, Field Day, Panther
- School Store
- Pride Family Night, Indoor Movie Nights

Announcements

- **Volunteer Needs**

Any Other Business/ Questions

Wishlist - Very appreciative of everything, please don't forget about the specials teachers as well.

Next General PTC Hybrid Meetings (quarterly)

- Feb 8th
- April 18th

Adjourn - 8:07pm