

# PTA Meeting Minutes

Candalaria Elementary School Virtual Meeting via ZOOM and in person in the cafeteria  
February 1, 2022

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**Meeting brought to order by Lauren Carlson @ 6:36 PM, followed by introductions of board and all people in attendance.**

## Agenda

Review and Approval of Minutes

Treasurer's Report

Committee Updates

Unfinished Business

Principal's Report

New Business

Announcements

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

**Attendance: Lauren Carlson (president), Camas Weraky (secretary), Doug Kentfield (volunteer coordinator), Steve Nass (treasurer), Rachel Matthews (vice-president), Annie Marges, Desiree Richardson, Joyanna Forsythe, Kelly Kutcgun, JD Dindinger, Jonathan Jalinski, Patty Collins**

**a. ZOOM: David Anzur (communications coordinator), Jason Gundlach (principle), Natalie Jalinski, Melissa Winslow, Holly Sears, Justin Hopkins, Leanna Heiman, Rebecca Arca, Nick Eustrom**

### 2. Approval of minutes

- The January 2022 meeting minutes were approved– Motion by Steve Nass, second by Annie Marges.

### 3. Treasurer's Report/Budget Review

- \$37,500 current budget
  - largest expenses, memory book (\$3000) teacher expense reimbursements (\$3300)
  - Majority of fundraising in the spring
- We have a PayPal account, but Venmo has been difficult to set up for a business
- Budgeted to spend \$25,000 this year

### 4. Committee Chair Reports

- Funds Run
  - Feb 8th committee meeting scheduled
  - May 5th?
  - Capital project?

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- 2 years ago there was an approved project (amplification system for teachers in the classroom)
  - still assessing current need and details
- Patty Collins will present today about another project that could be used for funds run or the auction of approved
- New outdoor signage, improved outdoor lighting
  - plan was to wait until bond work was completed to get a contractor
- picnic table project collaboration with Eagle Scouts, approved
  - ended up being \$575 more than his additional request, he plans to do additional fundraising
    - Motion to cover the balance for Teddy's project from Annie Marges, seconded by Justin Hopkins
      - Approved
- Auction Committee
  - have not met yet
  - committee is wondering what the comfort level is for families, virtual, outdoors (vineyard)
  - they would like to have a capital project
  - discussion about auction options, is there a hybrid option?
    - advantage is non local family members can participate
  - discussion about what kind of auction items are going to be available this year compared to previous years
  - Desiree, in the past she started getting donations in September, should funds run be more of the focus this year?
  - Discussion about if to include kids to make it more inclusive?
    - consensus is no kids to allow more free conversation and a sense of normalcy
- Talent Show
  - SSHS- in person or virtual will be decided closer to the date
- Book fair
  - no update
- OBOB
  - Still waiting for parent volunteers to be allowed, is outside a possibility?
  - School winner needs to be chosen by March to move onto regionals
- Art Literacy
  - no update
- 5th Grade Committee
  - Kids have heard about outdoor school and dates, but parents are waiting to hear what is needed
    - Day trips without an overnight?

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- Sometime in the spring
  - Wondering if funds will be needed, if so what does that look like?
- Principle Gundlach
  - 5th grade teachers are working on it, communication should be coming soon
  - covered by a grant, will be free for all students
  - May 23-25th series of day trips until 5pm each day
  - chaperones will be needed
- Questions regarding 5th grade graduation/party
  - Outdoors?
- 100-mile club
  - no update
- Memory Book
  - Last years memory book went to print
  - Should be delivered around Valentine's day
  - 1st-5th grade
    - brainstorming how to get them to the 5th graders from last year
  - This year's yearbook to be printed the first week of June
    - still deciding on the theme
  - 15-20 photos per classroom- will need to be from teachers this year
  - Will send out information for the FB group and memory book email if there are parent photo submissions
  - PTA covers the cost of the yearbook, every kid will receive one
  - David can send an email to the PTA mailing list to try to get ahold of last years 5th grade families to distribute the yearbook
    - Cathy will have a set time for parents to pick up at the office

## 5. Patty Collins

- Purchasing items for the Husky Den
- Sensory room
  - kids come into the room for scheduled breaks- all students can benefit, not just students with special needs
  - work on zones of regulation
    - Inside Out movie comparison
  - Would like to structure the Den into several areas to help them learn self regulation
  - Active area
    - trampoline, monkey bars
  - Calming area
    - foam mats, crash pad, swing, pea pod, wall dividers, roller
- Large investment, but could be used for a long time with all students

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- Amazon Wishlist and some catalogue items
  - \$10-15,000 for high end items with assistance designing the room
  - \$3-5,000 for some key items and a DIY room
- Excited about this as a capital project, especially given the focus on student's mental health this past couple of years

## 6. Principal's Report

- K-2nd grade students will all receive a chromebook
  - they will be sent home in backpacks
  - will be associated with student ID numbers, can be used for multiple years
  - basically a gift from a grant
- Candalaria Closet
  - a place for students to get clothes that they can feel good about
  - encourage families to bring in new or very gently used nice clothes to the counselors office to be distributed as needed

## 7. Other business

- Teachers are struggling, could we do something for them? The last teacher appreciation was before Christmas break.
  - Chipotle lunch?
- Discussion regarding support for another school, current budget is \$3,000, has not been spent this year

**Meeting was adjourned at 7:49pm**