

VPE General Meeting

September 20, 2024

Villa Park Elementary: 10551 Center Dr., Villa Park, CA 92861

Present: Wendy Zuazo, Kathleen LimValle, Heidi Estremera, Lacey Cahill, Merrill Norrdin, Jolin Lang, Sierra Vane, Connie Bui, Dan Bui, Stephanie Campbell, Jen Maas, Eric Selin, Heather Sandoval, Alicia Schaefer, Stefani McMillen, Eva Ahmed, Martha Arceo, Marissa Cardero, Kristen Daher, Kin Honnel, Audrey Murray, Heather Pastorello.

Call to order: 9:14 am

Welcome: Wendy Zuazo

The Home and School League (H&SL) welcomes everyone to the first meeting.

Treasurer: Stefani McMillen

Discussed proposed budget for 2024-2025 school year. Budget aligns with last year's budget. Budget approved by Lacey Cahill and Merrill Norrdin. All in favor. Budget passed.

Principal updates: Martha Arceo

All volunteers on campus must follow district guidelines and complete the training must complete training. Volunteer training must be completed every year. If parents come just for one activity (reading to class) they are able to sign in as a visitor through the Raptor System. All adults on campus screened before approved to be on campus.

Shared VAPA program now starting in 4th grade. 4th graders will have the opportunity to be exposed to all aspects of VAPA program (i.e., instruments, theatre and vocals). By the end of the year they will be asked to commit to one of the aspects for the following year. VAPA grant money proposal in progress. Hoping to use grant to improve stage, sound system and potentially purchase a projector for background/backdrops. Discussed class room colleges program is used to encourage future learning. In each classroom is a countdown to HS and college in each room to help students envision their futures. College shirt orders should be in by October 1st or sooner.

Ways and Means: Merrill Norrdin

Fun run updates: Fun Run will be on Friday 10/25 with kick off starting 10/17. Goal for year for fundraising is 75,000. Corporate fundraising forms sent home. Questions regarding sponsorship ask Merrill.

Parent Mixer: Held on Thursday 9/26 at Rodrigos 530-9pm. Parents only. 20% of food and drink purchases will be donated to H&SL. Tickets for auction baskets will be available next week after school and at Lunch on the Lawn on 10/24. Accepting cash, Zelle or PayPal to buy raffle tickets.

Programs: Kathleen Lim Valle and Heather Sandoval

Programs are set for the year. Robots and Rockets last week was a success. Imagination Machine is the next program and will be held on 11/1. Holiday shop will be held the week before Christmas break. Parent volunteers needed to work during holiday shop hours as well as for set up and take down.

Dads Club President: Manuel Cisneros

Dad's club Poker night is 10/19- 7-11pm at City Hall. Buy in will be \$35. Sign up through flyer and QR code. Limited to First 72 players. Information available on H&SL Instagram and website.

Membership drive: Wendy Zuazo

127 families signed up currently. Highest enrollment class (upper and lower grades) will earn an ice cream party and earn other prizes. Membership donations support all programs, staff treats, etc. More information on H&SL Instagram and website.

Marquee update: Wendy Zuazo

Marquee was fixed sooner than anticipated. Motion to put marquee budget back into annual budget. Approved by Audrey Murray and Dan Bui. Birthday forms for marquee in front office. Week before is deadline to get birthday in for Marquee.

After School Enrichment update: Wendy Zuazo and Martha Arceo

ASE information will available on H&SL website and Instagram. Room parents will also send flyers home. Enrollment starts on Monday 9/23. ASE programs to start 10/14. ELOP school programs information will also be sent out with newsletter. Qualifying students will fill ELOP program spots first and then waitlisted students will be added. After school Robotix program for 5th and 6th grade will participate in competition. compete. At the end of the year 4th graders invited to join for the coming year. The 2nd and 3rd grade Robotix is a lottery to join. Robotix programs start after parent conferences.

Track update: Wendy Zuazo

Mrs. Arceo met with district to draft the plans for installation. Date of completion not yet established but hopeful it will be done by the end of this year.

Bookfair: Jolin Lang

First book fair will be held the week of Parent-Teacher conferences. Bookfair will be open for classes during the school day and students can go to the book fair during recess. Will also be open after school for students and parents. Cash or e-wallet acceptable. Volunteers needed contact Jolin Lang.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

9/23: Enrollment for paid ASE programs opens up

9/24: Lunch on the Lawn

9/26: 6th Grade Staff Treats and Parent Mixer

9/27: Fizzy Friday

10/1: Birthday Club

10/7-10/11: Parent Teacher Conferences-Minimum days all week

10/9: International Walk to School Day and Outdoor Ed meeting for 6th grade parents (6pm in MPR)

10/14: ASE programs begin

10/17: Fun Run Kick off

10/22: Home and School League Meeting 8:15am

10/25: Fun Run

10/28-11/1: Red Ribbon Week

10/29: 5th Grade Staff Treats

10/30: Trunk or Treat

10/31: Fall Class Parties

Meeting adjourned: 9:51 am