

VPE General Meeting

January 31, 2025

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

Present: Lacey Cahill, Heidi Estremera, Jolin Lang, Sierra Vane, Heather Sandoval, Jennifer Eastwood, Erik Selin, Breanna Karanikolas, Alicia Schafer, Merrill Norrdin, Stephanie Campbell, Leann Kaufman, Kathleen Lim Valle, Stefani McMillen, Manuel Cisneros, Connie Bui, Martin Arce, Marissa Cordero

Call to order: 9:19 am

Welcome: Wendy Zuazo

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

Kinder and First Grade presentation

Update: Kinder and First graders shared that they had a Snow STEM day with experiments and fun games. They are working on phonics through Seesaw and AR tests and are enjoying it. They are also participating in rotations where they are learning about singing, science and PE. Lastly, they are learning about kindness, penguins and weather.

Approval of meeting minutes: Heidi Estremera

Meeting minutes from the November General Board Meeting approval requested- 1st, Lacey Cahill, 2nd Heather Sandoval. Minutes approved.

Principal Announcements: Principal Martha Arceo

Principal updates: Mrs. Arceo shared that the teachers are working hard on planning STEM days. Volunteers are an important part of that and she is thankful for them. Mrs. Glasky the VPE reading resource specialist has been working with combination classes to work on reading and writing. She is also providing supports for other students in reading for 6-week increments. These students are identified as needing support based on iReady scores and other assessment data. So far good progress has been seen with these students. 5th and 6th graders have started geometry/algebra tutoring on Wednesdays after school. Enrollment for next year is looking good. Goal for next year is to not have combination classes. TK enrollment new standards is 20 kids per one teacher. We don't have a lot of space for an additional TK classroom. Track and new Cares building in the works but no expected completion date at the time. Any additional questions or concerns should be directed to Principal Arceo.

LedgeCo Meeting update: Erin Flynn

Update: The following was discussed at the Jan 15th, 2025 LegCo meeting. Legislation HR 28 passed the house and presented to senate. SB 939 is a bill that involving additional resources for neurodivergent students. Super Intendant discussed being motivated to standardize a method of communication from teachers. Discussed Valentines for Veterans deadline 2/3-2/7. Flyers regarding this project should be in school's main office.

Treasurer: Stefani McMillen

Budget update: Holiday Store was successful and made \$1000. Art Masters second installment paid. Dad's Club work day expenses paid. Fall Fundraiser paid out. Distributed the 5th grade fundraising funds for 6th grade activities. Paid out student programs. No questions regarding budget.

Nominating Committee: Wendy Zuazo

Update: Anyone interested in joining the nominating committee contact Wendy Zuazo. Additionally, if interested in current openings in general and executive board, contact Wendy Zuazo.

Auction: Heather Sandoval

Update: During the February meeting there will be sign up for set up and clean up for auction items at the carnival. Currently in need of items for auction. The Silent Auction is a big fundraiser for the school. Each grade level will have a basket but we need more donations from families.

Updates and Q&A: Wendy Zuazo

Update: Working on finding the stop sign flags for safety. Valentines Family Dance has been cancelled this year. Mrs. Arceo isn't able to be on site. Next set of after school programs will be sent out in February to hopefully start in March. After school programs are typically 8 weeks. Today is fizzy Friday. Second graders have teachers treats in February. Valentine grams are run by student council, new forms will be sent out because there was an error on the current one. Forms returned at lunch to student councils. Good time to reach out to teachers about supplies needed in their classrooms.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

February:

- 2/10: 100th Day
- 2/12: Dine out day (5th Grade Fundraising)
- 2/13: Valentines Class Parties
- 2/14: No School
- 2/17: No School
- 2/20: Staff/teacher treats hosted by 2nd Grade
- 2/21: Fizzy Friday
- 2/24-2/28: Art Masters Lessons
- 2/26: Dine Out Day (5th Grade Fundraising)
- 2/27: Spring Pictures
- 2/28: H&SL Meeting at 8:15am

Meeting adjourned: 10:02 am