

**VPE General Meeting****March 28, 2025****Villa Park Elementary: 10551 Center Dr., Villa Park, CA 92861**

**Present:** Lacey Cahill, Heather Sandoval, Heidi Estremera, Sierra Vane, Leann Kaufman, Marissa Codero, Manuel Cisneros, Merrill Norrdin, Cheryl Witt, Rebeccca Sakayeda, Lec Sakayeda, Monica Shukla-Belmontes

**Call to order:** 8:21 am

**Welcome: Kathleen Lim-Valle**

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

**Grade presentation 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

*Update:* 4<sup>th</sup> graders are working on fractions. They put their fraction knowledge to use to develop five-minute movies to teach the different aspects of fractions. In science they are learning about animal's eyes/vision and why they are important for their survival. They are also learning about the Oregon Trail. They have made folders that hold their maps, letters to their family and all the information regarding what they encounter and decisions they make on the Oregon Trail. They also went on a field trip to Riley's Farm where they learned about the gold rush. In math they are learning how to add and subtract fractions and mixed numbers as well as multiply fractions. In Language Arts they are learning about Rosa Parks.

5<sup>th</sup> grade runs a mile every Wednesday. In science they are learning about the food chain and geology. In social studies they are learning about the 13 colonies as well as Betsy Ross and how she created the American Flag. They are also doing VAPA which includes theatre and music.

**Approval of meeting minutes: Kathleen Lim-Valle**

Meeting minutes from the February General Board Meeting approval requested- 1st, Lacey Cahill, 2<sup>nd</sup> Heidi Estremera. Minutes approved.

**Principal Announcements: Principal Martha Arceo**

*Principal updates:* Spring break is next week. Spring Parade was this week and it's a long standing tradition at VPE. Carnival is coming up. VPE received a grant for robotics and iPads for Mrs. Parrish classroom, learning lab received a grant and literacy lab also received a grant. Donation from HS&L and grants from other organizations are going to a book vending machine for the library. After spring break, 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade students with accommodations will start State Testing. All 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Graders start testing on 5/5/2025. Students will have another iReady diagnostic in April.

**Treasurer: Stefani McMillen**

*Budget update:* Grants for the teachers come to us and we have and will pay them out. We also paid out Art Masters as well as paying for Carnival costs.

**Carnival: Kathleen Lim-Valle and Heather Sandoval**

*Update:* We need parent volunteers for the carnival. One-hour segments for volunteers. Food needs to be preordered. No food orders at the carnival.

*Auction:* Volunteers also needed for auction. Help is needed during the auction and/or right at the end. Also looking for more donations. We have great donations so far but we can always use more.

**Fundraising: Merrill Norrdin- Read a Thon**

This fundraiser will start 4/21/2025, the same format as last year. Sign up online and it uses the honor system for uploading students reading minutes. It is two weeks and the students can win prizes.

**Dads club:**

DC also needs carnival volunteers. Poker night 4/26/2025 and the buy in is 35 dollars with lots of fun prizes to win. Bobcat Palooza will be 6/6/2025. Lastly, Justin Gilbert will be the DC president for next year. They are working on a possible Skate Day fundraiser after the carnival.

**Updates and Q&A: Kathleen Lim-Valle**

*Update: None*

**Upcoming Dates to Remember:****April:**

3/31-4/4: Spring Break  
4/7: Last day to turn in Carnival/Food TK Burger orders  
4/7-4/11: Book Fair  
4/9: 5<sup>th</sup> Grade fundraising/raising canes  
4/10: Sees Candy pick up  
4/11: Imagination Machine Assembly  
4/11: Carnival from 4pm to 8pm  
4/13: Last day to get your yearbook  
4/17: Staff treats  
4/18: Fizzy Friday  
4/21: Read-A-thon begins  
4/23: 5<sup>th</sup> grade fundraising/Green tomato grill  
4/25: H&SL Meeting at 9:15 am  
4/26: Dad's Club Poker Night  
4/28: SBAC testing begins

**Meeting adjourned:** 8:57 am