



Carlos Gilbert PTK Meeting Agenda
March 19, 2025 8:15 a.m.
Teachers' Lounge

In Attendance: Andra Russek, Eric Ytauarte, Robin Walterscheid, Sarah LeBlanc, Mamie Galston, Steven DeGraeve, Rachel Meiklejohn, Dana Tapia, Liz Van Denzen, Kim Jones, Casey, Brian Van Denzen

1. School News

- o Eric Ytauarte – expressed concerns about walking to school possibly needs for speed bumps or rotating safety aide community speeding through
 - Wants to go to city with concerns and support o
 - Ms. P and PTK are supportive -It is city property so it's not something we can
 - Eric will start with petition, contact security director
- o School dates finalized after spring break
- o As of now all teachers are planning to return next year
- o Ms. P will share budget for next year at next meeting after meet with staff, etc

-Funding Request – Ms. P. for NDI \$450 for 3 busses (all vote in favor)

2. Minutes – approval of February 19, 2025 (approved)

3. Updates:

- o BINGO night (3/20)
 - Lots of other schools are having them – our goal is to bring our internal school community together
 - Our focus is on building community rather than raising money
 - There was concern about the cost but seems like we are cheaper than other schools
 - Caitlin will reach out to Mr. Fierro about sending free tickets to families that get free tickets to the carnival
 - Kim Jones will pick up pizza from Backroad at 4:30 Caitlin/Dana will figure out how to pay ahead time
 - Volunteers needed – please sign up on signup genius
 - Ms. P will ask custodian to come at 7 to work with clean up crew
 - Andra and Sarah L. will check with Ms. Walker today after school about sound system
 - Student conduct & Parent supervision
 - Prizes will be cash prizes. \$10/card or \$30 for families over 4

Sports Teams and uniforms – on going issue – does the PTK buy and maintain uniforms for teams and what teams?

- o Sports Team concerns about needing money for uniforms and concern that the PTK is not funding b/c we have money but we've done this several times- we've had a hard time communicating with coaches
- o Caitlin – getting a lot of heat from basketball parents other teams have names on their uniforms our boys don't b/c using uniforms we bought with out names that are reused – if parents want names on uniforms maybe parents need to buy them

- o Audra suggests that maybe we can be a sponsor and will give a set amount from PTK
- o A problem is league requires money to go through league – and one parent didn't want to do that so wanted to give \$ to PTK and have it earmarked for basketball but we can't have earmarked funds
- o We have \$500 from one parent currently – we haven't sorted this situation out yet, but Caitlin is looking to give \$ back
- o PTK has always given \$100 to a club but the sports team and uniform situation has become messy
- o Cheerleading uniforms – we bought them last year but they aren't embroidered – are we going to continue to maintain these or should cheerleaders be purchasing their own as they are hard to reuse?
 - We bought cheerleading uniforms – but they aren't embroidered and team wants them to say Blackhawks
 - Tabling it for now – they don't need them until next year
- o Young Astronauts update – Casey
 - Casey is taking over for Mr. Stark he has communicated with Ms. Stark
 - Jenn Vrooman's father-in law was interested but couldn't run it
 - Mr. Stark is looking to be done with the club and is happy to explain the process
 - Casey works nearby and is available to come over and help
 - Casey will talk with Ms. Stark about how the program has been run in the past and figure out if he can get it running for next year
- o Next Month Planning: Be on the lookout for Teacher Appreciation Week...coming up!
 - Teacher Appreciation Week is typically the first week of May

4. Treasurer's Report – Dana Tapia

- o Current balances. \$8061.04
- o Funding Requests \$70894.92
- o Reimbursement Program Activity
- o CD/Savings update with Dana
 - Dana sat down with representatives from bank – PTK card was stolen so dealt with fraud issues
 - Business CDs seem like the best idea – 6 month will auto renew if treasurer doesn't pull out (4.25%) – also is a 13 month one which is lower but banker thinks I will go
 - Some logistics of making sure old and new treasurer- can take change names on account at any time.
 - We could put 50,000 in right now so keep 30,000 liquid is it worth it
 - Casey suggests one month treasury bonds.
 - Suggestion that we make an appointment with Santa Fe Community foundation about how to invest money

Funding Request – Ms. Hanlin funding for oxygenator for fist tanks for Trout in the classroom (all approved)

5. Adjourned 9:15

Next Meeting – PTK, 8:15 a.m. CGE Teacher's Lounge: 4/16/25 and 5/21/25