

March 2024 General Meeting
March 6, 2024
Call to Order: 8:33am

PFA Board Attendees: Carolyn Cherrie, Dannii Dennison, Liz Cahill, Anna Tucker-White, Erica Parker, Esther Windebank, Alyssa Ruiz, Emily Morey, Richard Fields, Nina Ishibashi

Total attendees: 23

- Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (February)
 - 1st: Anna Tucker White 2nd: Melanie Berman
- President's Message
 - Thank yous
 - **Brianna Melman & Melanie Berman** for our FFN @ Sweetfin. We made \$269.80 and total to date \$3148.91. Our goal is \$4,770 or \$9 per student to date, we are 66% of our target.
 - **Heather Flemion and Kate Polselli** for our 4th Virtual Bingo. Total of 160 tickets sold. Thank you to the teachers who called the numbers - Mrs. Culpepper, Mr. Sarena, Mrs. Lent and Mr. Swanson. Profit **\$794.23**
 - On going business
 - Pizza Participation Drive Update - total participation 80.5% +112%. Every class achieved a pizza party and 17, the ice cream truck. ~\$24k was raised!
 - Yearbook Pictures can be uploaded to TreeRing for all past events.
 - Legacy Brick Purchases - help with continual campus beautification www.polarengraving.com/wle. Latest order arrived and bricks were put in.
 - SpirtHero - On demand Spirit wear store is up.
 - Pura Vida bracelets are for sale on our website for \$7.
- 2023/24 PFA Board Member Updates
 - Direct Donations & Corporate Matching: Alyssa Ruiz &, Heather Mauk
 - DD total \$149, 322 & CM total \$9584 + jogathon\$ = \$177,366
 - School Site Council: Richard Fields
 - Please refer to School Site Council Notes for more details- <https://www.conejousd.org/domain/803>
 - Social Media: Erica Parker
 - Volunteer & Teacher Appreciation Coordinators: Colleen List & Emily Morey
 - We are in need of a few chairs for next year so if you are interested please reach out to us! Teacher Appreciation Week will begin Monday, May 5th
 - Please go to the PFA website to get notifications of all PFA volunteer opportunities!
 - Room Parent Coordinators: Nina Ishibashi & Kathryn Mazza
 - Marketing: Esther Windebank
 - Treasurers: Charlene Lee & Jaime Davison
 - Accounts Receivable: Charlene Lee
 - Website: Julie Jacobs
 - Recording Secretary: Anna Tucker-White
 - Parliamentarian: Liz Cahill
 - Nomination committee has met and will be proposing the new PFA board members at the April PFA meeting, then holding a vote at the May meeting.
 - Stonehaus Meetup- 5/28- Come meet other WLE parents and connect over coffee.
- Principal's Message
 - Leap Day- 530 little plastic frogs were hidden through school for students to find. By the time 4th & 5th graders did their search there weren't any frogs left. So on March 1st we

hid little plastic pigs for them to find. It happened to be National Pig Day which worked out.

- 5th graders attended their Stand Proud event on 2/27/24 in Culver City. The high ropes course did not disappoint and it was great to see the students challenge themselves and support each other through the course.
 - WLE is currently enrolling students and giving tours to prospective families.
 - Dance was approved for the spring! We will have 8 weeks of dance for all grades.
 - TK- animal movements, Kinder- hip hop, 1st & 3rd- Bollywood, 2nd & 4th- line dancing, 5th- stomp
 - Open House- Dance will happen from 6-6:45pm, then parents will go to classes.
 - Women in History is happening now!
 - Leap Day is 2/29- there will be over 100 little frogs hidden around campus for students to find.
 - Read Across America is March 4-10th and will have easy, optional spirit days. The week will end with a group reading on the TK grass.
 - Book vending machine was approved! Birthday book donations can be donated to the library and also will feature books for Black History Month, Women's History Month, etc.
 - The school has been having a grade level attendance challenge. Our school has the lowest attendance rates in CVUSD. This month, 2nd grade had the best attendance and won a party.
 - 2nd graders will begin being scanned for GATE soon
 - 4th and 5th graders will watch their Human Health Development videos in April. Videos are available for previewing on the CVUSD website.
 - Mrs. Culpepper reached out to CRPD to be loaned some people to help organize and run games like kickball, basketball and football at recess.
- **New Business**
 - **Open Board Position - Treasurer**
 - **March - Women in History Month** - videos will be shown in class.
 - **Thursday, 3/14** - Talent Show Dress Rehearsal
 - **Wednesday, 3/20 (TK-2nd) and Thursday, 3/21 (3rd-5th) - Talent Show** - showtime 6pm.
 - We will have a yearbook cover contest launching this week. Theme is 'Westlake Elementary 2023-24. A Year in Pictures. Look out for details on how to enter.
 - **Tuesday, 3/26** - Family Fun Night, The Stand - 25% back to WLE
 - **Friday, 4/12** - The Daughter Dance
 - **Saturday, 4/20** - Bowling with your Son
 - **Monday, 4/29** - Family Fun Night, Sea Casa - 40% back to WLE
 - Meeting prize draw. Drumroll....Erika Gross won!
 - Follow Westlake Elementary School PFA on Instagram and Facebook
 - Remember to check the PFA website for more info www.westlakeelementaryschool.com
 - **Public Comment**
 - When is the All American Fair? 5/17
 - How do we know what the school specialist's needs are (ie- paper towels, etc)? Mrs. Culpepper will add them to her WLE Newsletter and PFA will add to room parent emails.
 - Adjournment: 9:19am