



# Pleasant View Elementary

## Pleasant View PTA Meeting Agenda

**Date:** April 8, 2024

**Time:** 6:30

**Place:** Pleasant View library

**Present:** Megan Barone, Steven Cotton, Olivia Logan, Mindy Gassman, Karyn Green, Erin Onions, Susan Smith, Valerie Campbell, Julie Mann, Mariah Spires, Laura Wilga

<b>Board Members:</b>	President	–	Megan Barone
	Co-Vice-Presidents	–	Mindy Gassman, Karyn Green & Susan Smith
	Secretary	–	Olivia Logan
	Treasurer	–	Erin Onions
	Principal	–	Steven Cotton

### Regular Business:

- Call to Order - 6:30
- Approval of Minutes - March 2023 minutes approved
- Principal's Report – Steven Cotton
  - Thank you for the glasses for the solar eclipse and for giving the students the opportunity to learn! The glasses worked well, perfect weather conditions, everyone had fun and it was a real community feel and experience.
  - The spring program went well. Weather conditions were not good and tensions were high but it all went well. The Baptist Church let us use their lot. We appreciate everyone's patience and understanding on not using the field.
  - We will not be able to use the field this Friday for Donuts with Grownups. The field is still soggy from all the rain. Please check the email that was sent with parking instructions.
  - ISAS testing for Grades 3-6 begins next Tuesday, 4/16. These tests lasts two weeks. The best practices to prepare students for testing is to be sure they get adequate sleep. Start now. The kids have been doing practice tests to prepare. New this year, 2nd graders will be doing practice tests as well so they can be better prepared for the real thing next year.
  - VIP Day is 5/10. There will be a shuttle again this year. It is another well attended event for us!
- Treasurer's Report – Erin Onions
  - We paid for the visiting artists.
  - Deposited money for Staff Appreciation.
  - Purchased battle of the books stickers for the library
- President's Report – Megan Barone

- The Board did approve the playground. Bridgeview will start on 5/1, then we will follow and Riverdale Heights after us. The Board is asking each elementary school to give \$20k (if they are able to). This is just for the 2024/25 school year. The 2024/25 school year funding will look a bit different, but it is only temporary. Our spring 2024 walkathon money will go towards the new playground, along with the 2024/25 Fall fest and the 2025 spring walkathon (if needed).
- The Pleasant Valley Golf Outing is 4/29.
- Kindergarten Roundup will be on 5/24. The District made some changes for this year. There will be a district wide book that is given to each incoming kindergarten student, they will receive this in their roundup folder. Additionally, there will be no snacks this year, it gives the teachers more time with students.
- Vice-President's Report – Mindy Gassman, Karyn Green, & Susan Smith
  - Thank you notes from teachers were read.

### **New Business:**

- Approve 2024-25 budget
  - Valerie motioned to approve the budget and Julie seconded that motion. The budget was approved.
- Open board & chair positions for 2024-25
  - Executive board position of secretary is open.
  - Open chair positions
    - Fall Fest volunteer positions are open, please contact Amanda Ford or Sonya Swift if you are interested. It is a fun event to take part in!
    - Adding a new fundraising chair position. This is a new and exciting position for our PTA. We are open to creative ideas but we have also started a list of ideas as well. The new Jersey Mikes by the BettPlex has offered us a night where we will receive 50% of profits, the plan is for the night to be on 5/20, more info to come.
- Staff Appreciation - one last event coming up in May
- Donuts with a Grownup - this Friday!!! If you did not get your tickets, you can still purchase them at the door. Remember, no parking in the field!
- Walk-a-thon - Money raised this year will go toward our new playground!!!
- 6th Grade Party - The party will be on Wednesday, 5/15 from 4-6. More information to come.
- Additional items discussed: Remaining funds from this year's gifts to school can be used to start next school year's teacher needs, such as subscriptions, etc. Mr. Cotton and Mrs. Blake will work on this. Our typical Fall Fest funds that go toward gifts to school will be used to fund the playground for the 2024/25 school year only.

### **Old Business:**

- Spirit Wear - Always looking for new ideas or a suggestion on a new vendor. Please email Olivia if you have any ideas, [olivia.l.logan@gmail.com](mailto:olivia.l.logan@gmail.com).
  - Discussion items: grade level shirts, smaller sizes for the younger kids

### **Announcements:**

- April 12 - 7:30am, Donuts with a Grownup
- April 17 - 1:30pm, Early dismissal
- April 26 - No School
- May 1 - 1:30pm, Early dismissal
- May 3 - Walk-a-thon

- May 6-10 - Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 10 - Grandparent/VIP Day
- May 13 - 6:30pm, May PTA Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm