



# Pleasant View Elementary

## Pleasant View PTA Meeting Minutes

**Date:** August 15, 2022

**Time:** 6:30 – 7:30 pm

**Place:** PLV Library

**Present:** Megan Barone, Amy Featherstone, Karyn Green, Susan Smith, Mindy Gassman, Erin Onions, Steven Cotton, Olivia Logan, Hilary Oliver, Olga Jennings, Nicky Stevenson, Julie Staab, Deonvious O’Neal, Valerie Campbell, Miranda Butts, Mallory Pflum, Maureen Durick, Angela Snyder, Jasline Bahia

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

### Regular Business:

- Call to Order - called to order at 6:31.
- Approval of Minutes – Approved as written.
- Principal’s Report – Steven Cotton
  - Mr. Cotton welcomed everyone and introduced himself. This is his 14<sup>th</sup> year as principal at Pleasant View.
  - There are eight new faculty and staff members:
    - Ella Bower, 6th Grade
    - Raven Deuth, English as a Second Language
    - Jessica Freeman, 1st Grade
    - Stacie Giesecke, Dean of Students
    - Mallory Glanzman, 4th Grade
    - Kelzi Mather, 4th Grade
    - Nicky Stevenson, Teacher Librarian
    - Leslie Wonderlich, School Counselor
  - Building improvements over the summer include:
    - New carpet and furniture in the library
    - Water bottle filling fountain in the main primary hallway
    - Gym floor redone
    - Driveway and parking lot resurfaced
    - Accessibility from playground to walking track improved
  - Pick-up will change as there are now 2 lanes for a portion of the driveway. Cars will no longer use the church across the street for overflow to keep Crow Creek clear. Durham has just enough drivers to fill the routes – if they find more drivers, they will add back more routes.
  - School begins at 8:25. Drop-off/doors will be unlocked from 8 AM to 8:25. After that point, students must arrive through the main entrance. Students in K-3 will be in the hallway outside their classrooms from 8-8:15, while students in 4-6 will be supervised in the cafeteria. At 8:15, students may enter the classrooms. Learning begins at 8:25 and concludes at 3 PM. As a reminder, students may be dropped off anywhere in the yellow drop-off zone, not just at the doors, even when it is cold or rainy.

- Lunch visitors have not been allowed for the past couple years. Students were sitting 8 to a table, but will now be up to 12 to a table (Before COVID, it was 16 to a table, but that was too many.) As a result, 2-3 tables will be available to be designated for lunch visitors. Let the office know by 8:50 if you wish to order a hot lunch for the visitor.
- Enrollment is at least 670 students, which is up from past years. This includes 49 new students in 1-6 grades, and 87 kindergarteners. The max kindergarten enrollment is 88, but class sizes might be increased to 23 to allow for more. Forest Grove's expansion has been moved up to this March due to the increased enrollment numbers.
- New students will continue to have student ambassadors to assist with showing them around. If you are seeing smiles at school but tears at home, please let us know. Also, we will reach out to you if students are having a tough time at school.
- We like to see you all at meetings. Please bring a friend and let us know if you have seen good participation in other PTA's – we would be happy to learn from others' success.
- Treasurer's Report – Erin Onions
  - No income for July and just a few expenses.
- President's Report – Megan Barone
  - All PTA presidents meet with the superintendent monthly during the school year, and information from that meeting will be presented at the following PTA meeting.
  - Open committee positions include
    - Reflections co-chair
    - Kindergarten registration
    - Variety show
    - Visiting author
    - Fall fest positions

Please reach out if you would like to help or know someone that could.
- Vice-President's Report – Amy Featherstone, Karyn Green & Susan Smith

#### **New Business:**

- 2022/2023 PTA meetings
  - Will be held 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 6:30 PM in the library
- Meet and Greet
  - Monday, August 22
  - A link will be sent out to get teacher assignments and schedule a time for each students' meet and greet. Scheduling these times has allowed for smaller groups and has worked better. New family meeting will be in the cafeteria August 22 at 5 PM.
- School supplies
  - Will be in the classroom August 22 if you ordered them.
- Room parent information
  - A sign-up for room parent and Fall fest raffle basket coordinator will be in each classroom. Room parents communicate with parents and assist with school parties and teacher gifts.
- Fall Fest information
  - This is the PTA's largest fundraiser. It was held outside for the first time last year and was very well received. It will be held outside again this year on Friday, September 23. There will be carnival games, a silent auction of baskets donated by classrooms, and food. Volunteers are needed to assist with decorations, the silent auction, food, and games.
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade parent committee (Donuts with Grownups)
  - The 6<sup>th</sup> graders assist with several events throughout the year and are able to spend the proceeds on the 6<sup>th</sup> grade t-shirt, memory book, party, and gift to school.
- A question was asked about Lego League. The District coordinator will send info through e-news on the process of setting up a team.

#### **Old Business:**

- Library furniture
  - Walk-a-thon funds were utilized to replace the furniture in the library.

- Lobby art
  - The 6<sup>th</sup> grade class from 21-22 donated some funds to refresh the art in the lobby.

<b>Announcements:</b>
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- Meet and Greet – Aug 22
- First Day of School – Aug 23
- No School (Labor Day) – Sept 5
- Early Dismissal – Sept 7
- Donuts with Grownups - Sept 9
- September PTA meeting – Sept 12

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM.