



# Pleasant View Elementary

## Pleasant View PTA Meeting Agenda

**Meeting Replay:** <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1mFb7akqsBu-MND8s9jLUrD1rq9qsQIXJ/view?usp=sharing>

**Date:** September 14, 2020

**Time:** 6:30 – 7:30 pm

**Place:** Virtual meeting

**Present:** Steven Cotton, Amy Featherstone, Michelle LeMoine, Karyn Green, Megan Barone, Kim Millage, Valerie Campbell, Stephanie Seier, Robbie Smith, Mindy Gassman, Theresa Needham, Lisa Webb, Laura Kies, Darcie Kress, Julie Staab, Betsy Recker

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| <b>Board Members:</b> | President          | – | Amy Featherstone                              |
|                       | Co-Vice-Presidents | – | Karyn Green, Megan Barone, & Michelle LeMoine |
|                       | Secretary          | – | Kristen Mueller                               |
|                       | Treasurer          | – | Kim Millage                                   |
|                       | Principal          | – | Steven Cotton                                 |

### Regular Business:

- Call to Order
- Approval of Minutes – Kristen Mueller  
Call to order at 6:31 by Amy Featherstone  
Minutes from last month have been posted, so those minutes stand approved.
- Principal’s Report – Steven Cotton  
\*Thank you to parents for working with their kids. Wearing masks has exceeded expectations and has been the least of their concerns. Teachers have disposable masks in their rooms, so there has been no issue with masks and they have really adjusted to the routine of social distancing as well. Thank you for talking to your kids about wearing a face covering, it has helped a lot.  
\*Attendance for hybrid students in quarantine: If in quarantine, they are not 100% online student. Teachers will do their best to meet with that child during quarantine. If a child moves to 100% online it was due to parents request from hybrid, not because of hybrid students in quarantine and/or hybrid students on vacation. Some grade levels are really full for online classes, so they can’t put students in those online classes. Online small groups are 5-6 kids or less. When we have temporary situations, we aren’t able to accommodate those requests to become an online student and there is time and prep put in to those classes as well as class size to consider.  
\*At this time, you do not need to quarantine after travel out of state. What I say today about attendance could change tomorrow by the state on how things are being handled.  
\*Thank you to the teachers for all that they are doing. They are working 3-4x harder than they have their entire career. The teachers are working all the time because they have to keep up for the online component and in-person prep; it is exhausting and worry about the long term of this pace. I am so proud of Pleasant View teachers and we have a great support crew of teachers doing things that they never thought they would be asked. Huge shout out to our teachers and faculty – you are appreciated!  
\*FAST testing will begin. PTCFast will be sent out to online learners later this week, inviting them to come in for a specific time. Call the office if you can not come in and/or if you are uncomfortable. Mrs. Blake will work with you for a model that is best for you. Please sign up for those times.
- Treasurer’s Report – Kim Millage  
One deposit in August from Amazon smile account.
- President’s Report – Amy Featherstone

\*Technology update: K-6 have no chromebooks left but iPads are still available.

\*Overall, Mr. Strusz said things are going very well in the district. If anyone is exposed, there will be communication directly to you if your child was affected.

\*Please keep encouraging your teachers as they are doing a great job.

\*The district did hire a full-time sub at the YMCA to help them complete their schoolwork on their off days.

\*Future Lego league, contact Angie Brand, Robotics coordinator.

▪ Vice-President's Report – Karyn Green, Megan Barone, & Michelle LeMoine

Michelle - Thank you to those willing to be a Room Parent and to Hollie Mitchell for leading the meeting last week. All classes have a room parent.

Megan – Valerie Campbell and her team are working to put together Staff Appreciation for the last Friday of each month for teachers and staff. More information will be coming out this week in the eNews.

### **New Business:**

• Elementary report card – Darcie Kress and Stephanie Seier

Darcie Kress, works in the Belmont building, supporting elementary curriculum. 25 years in the district.

Stephanie Seier, taught 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Pleasant Views for a few years, but is now the math elementary/Teacher Leadership coordinator. Darcie and Stephanie work closely with Dr. Cindy Lewis.

Standards-Based learning, not just reporting. Understanding purpose of the standards. Building scaffolds to be successful in Junior High, High School and beyond. Standards are built upon each year. They piloted some families last year and appreciate those families that were willing to do that. Teacher created curriculum.

Main goal is to communicate to families progress in standards.

Communicating the whole child – both academic and social/emotional. The old “work & study habits” for may or may not be included in the report card for this year, teacher discretion.

• Teacher wish lists

Quite a few teachers have reached out with their wishlists and lots of requests have been filled. Look at the sign-up genius in the eNews to see the list of needs.

• 6<sup>th</sup> grade activities

Meeting tomorrow at 6:00pm. Reach out to Amy Featherstone if you would like to join.

• Extra yearbooks

There are extra yearbooks from last year. If you did not get one, they are available in the office for \$17. First come, first serve.

Miscellaneous:

\*No picture day set until end of October to see how things are going to schedule a date with LifeTouch.

\*Covid-19 update for the district is available at <https://www.pleasval.org/return-to-learn>

\*End of October deadline depends on 2-week metric for cases in Scott County.

### **Old Business:**

### **Announcements:**

- October 12 – 6:30pm – PTA Meeting (virtual)

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 by Amy Featherstone.