



Pleasant View PTA Meeting Minutes

Date: September 11, 2017

Place: Pleasant View Elementary School – Conference Room

Board Members:	President	–	Michelle LeMoine
	Co-Vice-Presidents	–	Karyn Green, Jenny Langan, & Amy Featherstone
	Secretary	–	Treva Menke
	Treasurer	–	Lisa Goodin
	Principal	–	Steven Cotton

Attendees: Jennifer Langan, Tiffany Holz, Tera Tomson, Corby Steining, Kris Weis, Michelle LeMoine, Jan Schutte, Valerie Campbell, Stacey Blomme, Kendall Place, Katrin Swardson, Theresa Needham, Kristen Mueller, Lisa Goodin, Becky Cernin, Joanne Milleman, Kristin Everhart, Steven Cotton, Gee Song, Amy Featherstone, Julie Staab, Sara Fossey, Katie Flores, Susan Smith, Karyn Green, Amy Wilsted, Samantha Pauwels, Margo Taylor, Juliana Robinson, Kim Millage, Treva Menke

Regular Business:

▪ **Call to Order:**

President Michelle LeMoine called the meeting to order at 9:04. Thanks to everyone for coming and helping count tickets for fall fest and attending our first PTA meeting of the year.

▪ **Approval of Minutes:** Treva Menke

Hard copies of May meeting are available and future minutes will be available on the PTA website. No corrections. Minutes stand as approved.

▪ **Principal’s Report:** Steven Cotton

650 students enrolled at PLV at beginning of this year. Several grade levels are filled and have wait lists.

Thanks for volunteering today and all the events throughout the year and in the classroom. Please take note of the new shade structure and picnic tables on the primary playground provided with funding from Walk-a-Thon.

Today marks the beginning of the coin drive for Hurricane Harvey relief. District goal is \$5000. Funds will go to Team Rubicon as they support recovery efforts. Blue waves/paper around the school--- teachers and staff working on the concept of empathy to give students a concept of how the schools in TX were affected by the floods from Harvey.

Drop off zones—the whole sidewalk can be used to get your student into the school using the right side of your vehicle. If the whole sidewalk is utilized, students can unload from vehicles faster.

Durham bus services has had some issues with busing so far this school year. Stacy at Durham has been wearing multiple hats for the bussing service, so please continue to be patient as they work out the kinks and Mr. Cotton is staying on top of this as well.

Parents please make sure you fill out the transportation form and return to school---that’s how the school knows where to send your student after school. If there is a change in schedule whether for the day or permanently, please let your teacher or the office know.

Wilson Foundations is the new foundational skills program for kindergarten and first grades. Teachers will discuss this more at curriculum night. 2nd grade may be added next year. Starting FAST/MAP assessments and will start interventions as the results come back. State of Iowa is now using FAST BRIDGE, replacing FAST testing. (Last year, the state received much feedback about the FAST testing program and how much instructional time was taken away from students due to websites not working at

the state level). The district is pushing formative assessment/professional development and feedback to teachers so they can recognize if the students' needs are being met as the school year progresses. Please consider attending Curriculum Night to see what your child will be doing in school this year. Also remember staff can be contacted at any time with questions/concerns.

- **Treasurer's Report:** Lisa Goodin
Fiscal year runs July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018, accounting for the numbers looking like we are in the red. Deposits coming in from scrip, Amazon Smile and PTA membership. Largest expenses were state of Iowa PTA dues, Walk a Thon shade structure/tables which came from last year funds, and insurance. Bank balance is \$25,250.74
- **President's Report:** Michelle LeMoine
PTA president attend a superintendent meeting every month and information is passed via PTA meetings. Construction at Cody is nearly done, work at high school is progressing as expected. Forest Grove Elementary plans to be open 21-22 school year. Strive for 5--all Quad Cities schools participating this year. In all the QC schools, 40% of kids missed more than 9 days of school. Over 1000 runners participated in the Labor Day Weekend "Run With Carl" event. Monies raised benefit PV and Bettendorf seniors with scholarships.
- **Vice-President's Report:** Karyn Green, Jenny Langan, & Amy Featherstone
Jenny Langan wanted to thank everyone for helping count and sort raffle tickets for Fall Fest. Fall Fest planning and prepping well under way. Still in need of a committee chair for Fall Fest volunteers. This position is responsible for checking in volunteers the night of Fall Fest and printing/organizing names tags for the evening. Please see Amy Wilsted (awilsted@mac.com) or Samantha Pauwels (spauwels1@yahoo.com) if you or someone you know is interested. Becky Cernin is stepping down as co-chair for Fall Fest Food due to a relocation. Katrin Swardson and Katie Flores have agreed to share Becky's former position and work with Lara Jepsen as co-chairs for Fall Fest Food committee. Amy Featherstone—Received thank you from Mrs. Hill for gifts to school her classroom received. Shade structure is now complete.

New Business:

- **Curriculum Night:** Tuesday September 12
Two identical sessions offered and a short break in between to speak with the specials teachers.
- **6th Grade Science Camp** September 18/19
- **Mornings w/ Moms** Order forms were sent home last week. Asking for volunteers to help (mostly from 6th grade class since this is their fundraiser, but any volunteers are welcome). Many volunteers are still needed and we are highly encouraging dads to volunteer so moms can enjoy the morning with their children.
- **CLIMB Theatre** Bullying/harassment/character counts programs for K-2 and 3-6 coming in October. Professional children's theater from the Midwest. Information will be sent home in the coming weeks or via enews.
- **Committee Chair Openings** In need of committee chair for the Fall Fest volunteers.
- **PTA Survey** Sent out via enews the last two Fridays. Deadline was 9-10. Have received 160 results thus far. Results will be shared at October meeting.
- **After School Programs** Kendall Place spoke about working with area museums to provide after school programs to our students at reasonable cost. Sheet was offered to parents and asked to mark your opinion as far as what your student would enjoy participating in. Registration would be offered by lottery. Fees wouldn't be paid until your child was confirmed in the program. Will also have book clubs this year as a free program offered through Bettendorf Public Library.
- **Hurricane Harvey coin drive** PTA will match Pleasant View donations up to \$1000.

Old Business:

- **Meet & Greet** Always well attended
- **Tears & Cheers** Thank you to Amy Kraft for opening her home and hosting this event for kindergarten parents for the last year (child going to junior high next year). Anyone interested in possibly hosting next year, please let us know!
- **Challenge 5**
- **Homecoming Parade** Many, many students represented PLV very well. Great crowd. Carnival at high school followed the parade.

Announcements:

- Sept. 12 ELP Parent Meeting (5:40) Mrs. VanBlaricome will speak about the program—all parents are welcome.
- Sept. 12 Curriculum Night (6:15-7:20)
- Sept. 13 K-12 EARLY DISMISSAL (1:30)
- Sept. 18-19 6th Grade Science Camp
- Oct. 4 K-12 EARLY DISMISSAL (1:30)
- Oct. 6 CLIMB Theatre (K-2 8:45 a.m. & 3-6 9:45 a.m.)
- Oct. 9 PTA Meeting

Subject for October meeting---possibly dividing the Variety Show into two programs due to the number of acts/seating capacity for those attending/length of show.

Motion to adjourn 10:04 by Michelle LeMoine.

Respectfully Submitted, Treva Menke, PTA secretary