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# PTA/PSCC MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, January 17, 2024 | 6:00 - 7:30 PM | Virtual

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/ftx-swyh-neh>

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## AGENDA ITEM

### 1. Welcome & Sign-In

- [Sign-In Sheet](#) for Meeting
- [Join the PTA](#)

### 2. [Last meeting's minutes](#) review and vote

-Ray Clegg motioned to approve, Lauren Brown seconded

### 3. Treasurer's Report

[PTA Budget Link](#)

\$2,643.96 Revenue Received

Incoming: \$2,166.73

Paid: \$1,072.68

Linda reviewed the overall budget and explained the spreadsheet view

Ms. Russo will have some requests for the music program, Lauren will reach out

### 4. Fundraising Updates

- Holiday Shop
- Five Below– check has not arrived yet
- Upcoming Sarris Candy Fundraiser
  - Flyers distributed this week, 25% donated via online, 30% via flyer
  - Brochures due by Feb. 14th
  - Prizes available! Top homeroom gets a pizza party, gift cards for top two selling students plus two raffle winners (students receive a raffle ticket for every \$20 sold in their name, so make sure to mark their name on your order)
- Mad Mex Fundraiser: Tuesday, March 5th
  - 50 Tickets available at \$60 per person, \$50 goes directly to PTA, \$10 to gratuity (Big Burrito donates food)
  - Watch Facebook for more info

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- [Apparel Sale \(January 15-February 5\)](#)

## 5. Current Volunteer Needs & Updates

- Little Free Library - [Sign Up for a LF Library Shift Here](#)
- Upcoming Apparel Art Contest– Fiona, Leah, and Lerae will get the flyer out; submission deadlines Feb. 16th, will try to get the contest wrapped up before Read-a-thon starts
- Read-a-Thon: still waiting for confirmation on PPS Literacy Week dates
- Updates to PTA Website & Instagram
  - New page for PTA services (Backpack Initiative form and Uniform Exchange form): <https://www.pghdilworthpta.org/services>
- National PTA Grant: Be Internet Awesome
  - Informal poll taken– all respondents in favor of holding it virtually; more info to come at next month’s meeting
- Bylaws Updates - [View Current Bylaws Here](#)
  - Please volunteer to help with revising bylaws
- Nominating Committee– President, Vice President, Treasurer positions will be open. Mr. Clegg will volunteer for the committee.
- Backpack Initiative: Thank you to everyone who has donated financially or via the wishlist! Check out our website for more info about how to donate or request.
- Uniform Exchange– No short sleeve polos or winter gear needed for donation.

## 6. Ascend Afterschool Program

Elisa Varlotta is the rock climbing coordinator. They have weekly programs for underserved youth. They would like to see if any families are interested in this program or possibly forming a Dilworth Climbing Club. They also offer field trips to Ascend. Principal Zyhier will reach out for more information. (Ascend’s Point Breeze location is only 5 minutes away from Dilworth.)

## 7. PSCC & Principal’s Report

- Upcoming Dates:
  - January 24: End of 2nd Quarter; Glow Party; Emoji Free Dress Down Day for Mental Health Awareness Month; Title 1 STREAM Night (Science, Tech, Reading, Engineering, Arts, & Math)
  - January 25-26: NO SCHOOL for students
  - February 2: Half Day
- If anyone sends content to Principal Zyhier for the Panther Press, please edit your content to be concise and use hyperlinks when possible to allow for a better reader experience.

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## **8. Guest Speaker - Pittsburgh Spanish Place**

-Andrea Victoria Olvera Luscher presented – Pittsburgh Spanish Place is located in Aspinwall, offers classes for children and adults

-Immersion approach, all teachers are native speakers and have clearances

-Curriculum is content and topic based, includes building vocabulary, everyday phrases, singing, crafting, etc.

-Afterschool program is at Dilworth on Wednesdays from 4:15-5:00 starting next week. (Materials are included in the class price.)

## **9. Comments/Questions & Items For the Next Agenda**

- Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 20
- Linda and Fiona will woman a PTA table at the STREAM event
- Leah attended the PAC meeting regarding the Envoy Program– this is Dilworth’s first year participating
  - Ms. Albanese (permanent substitute) is the teacher envoy and leads a group of student leaders (nominated by teachers); so far, they have helped with things like Holiday Shop and Glow Parties
- Start thinking of ways to attract more people to join PTA and take on volunteer roles

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Clegg, seconded by Ms. Dougan