

PTO Meeting Agenda  
March 13, 2024

**Amanda Henry, President:** Present  
**Rick Kruzel, Vice President:** Present  
**Martha Grayson, Secretary:** Present  
**Jenny Gross, Treasurer:** Present  
**Kim Rice, Assistant Treasurer:** Absent  
**Chelsea Pelchman, Fundraising Co-Chair:** Present  
**Heather Richter, Fundraising Co-Chair:** Present  
**Kristi Leitner, Social Co-Chair:** Present  
**Claudine Johnson, Social Co-Chair:** Absent  
**Renee Jamison, Hospitality Co-Chair:** Present  
**Erin Haun, Hospitality Co-Chair:** Present  
**Jeremy Noland, CEDC Liaison:** Present  
**Kit Norton, Principal:** Present  
**Julian Holmes, Assistant Principal:** Absent  
**Tiffany David, Teacher:** Present  
Erica and Jackie joining PTO  
Christy coming back to PTO

**Approval of Minutes**

Approval of February meeting minutes

First motion to approve: Renee Jamison

Second motion to approve: Chelsea Pelchman

**Prop R Speaker: Emily Cook**

- Point of contact: Beth Johnson
- Objective: 150 mil no tax rate increase bond issue proposal to fund improvements and will not increase the district's current debt tax rate, setting up for a long term preventative maintenance plan for all buildings
- Reimagine: Lindbergh Farmers Club, 3-4x/year to do projects, Estimated to be Built Summer 2025, will not count as a field trip, and TBD if transportation will be incorporated into the transportation budget
- Reinvest and Renew:
  - o Safety improvements i.e. upgrade intercom systems, security cameras, improved door and hardware, bullet resistant glass, storm shelters, traffic safety
  - o Crestwood improvements starting Summer 2024 for exterior renovations, estimated 18-24 months total for renovation, internal existing renovations starting Summer 2025
  - o Truman Open House 3/28 430-630pm, several items are failing codes/hazards (example: partial roof collapse, boiler room), pool will be renovated to be a multipurpose room
- Fiscal
  - o 2019 Prop R, 2024 Prop R, not anticipating another Prop R until 2029
  - o No tax rate increase, will not increase the district's current debt service tax rate

- o Tax rate not expected to decrease until 2040. If approved, it would extend that the current rate to 2045
- o If Prop R does not pass, schools will struggle with facilities that do not provide equal opportunities for learning and do not meet need for students and teachers, the traffic and pedestrian positions on campuses posing safety risks, the schools will have to allocate operating dollars toward building systems
- Committee: [voteyespropr2024.com](http://voteyespropr2024.com), [yesforpropr](#) page on Facebook and Instagram

### **Prop A Speaker: Jesse Morrison**

- City of Crestwood Board of Alderman
- Objective: Whitecliff Recreation Center to demolish one half of building and keeping the gym, softball and baseball field, cost analysis was performed better to demolish rather than renovating, 33 million bond, create educational and rental event space/multi-room, ~300 max occupancy

### **Principal Report**

- Thanks for PTO dinner conferences, childcare, adult fundraiser
- Spring Party 3/14, 2pm, reminder to obtain badge pass/sign out prior
- No school Conference Day 3/15
- No school Spring Break 3/18-3/22
- Big calendar day events TBD by April 1
- Spring Assessments being in Early April
  - o NWEA: Grades 3-5, 4/3-4/16, testing 3x throughout the year
  - o Map: Grades 3-5, 4/29-5/9, state determines dates
  - o Fastbridge: Grades K-2, 4/22-5/3, CBM Grades 3-5
  - o iReady: Grades K-5, 5/13-5/20
- Cultural Day 4/19
- Cultural Festival 4/20, help with tents
- Field Day 5/21, rain option 5/23
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade party, 5/22, Main Event
- Last Day 5/25
- Summer Play Dates TBD June, if Prop R passes construction will begin July
- PTO Wish List examples shade sails for playgrounds, book vending machine

### **Teacher Report**

- Book of the month: She Persisted, 13 women from history
- Requests for Kleenex, paper plates for crafts, white paper towels, zipblock bags, propose \$200 x 38 rooms, alternatively general signup, amazon wishlist
- Innovation grants cannot be used towards furniture, requesting to budget \$350/room for new furniture, scoot chairs, book shelves, to be discussed at the budget planning meeting
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade gift card from silent auction signed up but never received and was not included

### **President Report**

- Scholarship Night, 4/3 at 7pm presentation, LHS auditorium, Rick Kruzel to attend

### **Treasurer**

- Financial Update
- Current balance, Highlights on Dine night out, Adult fundraiser, Silent auction, 5<sup>th</sup> grade trivia night, Bus transportation for 5<sup>th</sup> grade party, funds added for all grades field trips, Teachers grants ~\$2800 remaining, Principal funds planning to create a calm corner in all classrooms, supplies for following years, staff t-shirts,
- Need to add newly approved Sons/VIP and Daughter/VIP Dances

### **Fundraising**

- Adult Fundraiser Recap 03/09/24, shout out to Erin, Renee, and Jackie for joining the committee
  - Online auction, a huge success bringing in 15k
- City Game 03/24/24 6pm,
  - 3/14 launch player experience tickets, 22 kids only, national anthem with player
- Lion's Choice Dine tonight 3/13
- Texas Roadhouse TBD
- Chick-fila TBD

### **Social**

- Daughter/VIP Dance, 4/5, Shake it off with the VIP, DJ, 630-8pm
- Son/VIP Dance: 4/19, Son plus One Glow in the Dark party, DJ, 630-8pm

### **Hospitality**

- Bought Building assistance fans
- Teacher appreciation week coming up

### **CEDC Liaison**

- Next meeting Thursday, 3/21, 8pm at The Brothers Beer & Bourbon House - Sunset Hills
- Bourbon Tasting, 4/12, \$20/person, expected to be 8pm at The Brothers Beer & Bourbon House - Sunset Hills

**Vice President, Secretary** *No reports*

**Next meeting: Board Only Meeting, April 10, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m., Crestwood Elem. Library**