

LAS SENDAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – PARENT-TEACHER ORGANIZATION
3120 N Red Mountain, Mesa, AZ 85215
MINUTES – GENERAL MEETING January 22, 2024

Meeting called to order 2:32pm by Lindsey Clayton

Introduction/Roll Call: Lindsey Clayton — President
Summer Wood — Treasurer (not present, recovering)
Monica Sarault — Secretary
Cortny Tune — Events
Charlene Becher and Jessica Nilsen — Fundraising
Khloe Jones — Communication

Approval of December 11, 2023 Meeting Minutes

- Motion made by Dawn Silva. Second by Pam McConnell. Motion passed

Principal's Report: Aaron Kaczmarek

- STEM showcase prep, 2nd grade participating this year!
- Fremont, Red Mountain Ranch night
- Summer school program again this year offered at LSE
- New principal announcement next month

Treasurer's Report: Summer Wood (not present, Lindsey report)

- Operating account balance: \$42,766.71
- Operating account balance after encumbered funds: \$23,474.12

REVIEW OF January:

Decades Dash - participants enjoyed the event, though attendance was significantly less than prior events. The event will still yield some profit for the PTO though we do not have final numbers yet. The general consensus from the HOA, PTO and participants is that the event is worth doing.

- 1/2 participation than years' past; continue to do even with low turnout this year

Yearbooks Orders - Yearbook orders are now open, and the deadline for personalization has passed. All remaining orders are due March 27.

2nd Semester Wednesday Envelopes were distributed, there are enough for every student to get one. Extra envelopes are in the office if needed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Fundraising Update - Char and Jessica

Our next DNO will be at Starfighters Arcade from 4-7 pm. Tickets will be available for purchase beginning next week. - Feb 22

Update for January DNO? Zona - TBD

December DNO at Barros raised \$340. Mrs. Adams' class had the highest participation and will receive a pizza party from Barros.

Sneaker Recycling Drive - 5 bags left, possible mini drive before end of school

Summary of Donations: ● Bag(s): 19

- Excellent Sneakers: 3
- Good Sneakers: 29
- Fair Sneakers: 86
- Recyclable Sneakers: 196
- Non-Athletic Shoes: 62

Sustainability Impact

- Landfill: 373 Pairs Displaced from Landfills
- Carbon Dioxide: 11,280 Pounds Displaced
- Water: 848,632 Gallons Saved

Fundraising Summary: \$177.75

Events Update - Cortny

Our next PTO event is February 9th - BINGO Night!

March 1st- "reading under the stars" - if anyone knows of a children's book author who would be interested in participating email Cortny

Agenda Items

Teacher's Luncheon- Next teacher/staff luncheon will be Wednesday, February 14th after school in the Media Center.

Sensory/Nature Walk - Chelsea Smith (not present) - We received the stencils and paint supplies for the sensory/movement portion and mapped out where we would like to place everything. We are planning to do the paint application over spring break and looking for volunteers to help! We have not specified a time or day yet so please let us know if you or any other community members will be around and able to help. We anticipate it being a 1 day project.

We also are looking for specific contacts for the nature walk portion in regards to girl or boy scout troops, local companies or families with equipment to help us with or even groups that may want to help with the assembly of the nature walk portion.

Please send volunteers for spring break painting or contacts for the nature walk to crhesby@gmail.com

Yearbook Cover Contest - Voting is now open and will close Thursday 1/25. You can view submissions at [Yearbook Cover Contest \(lspto.org\)](http://Yearbook Cover Contest (lspto.org)) and vote using this link:

<https://forms.gle/j2sBv7Z3NqzqAjGX6>

or scan the QR code.

Teachers, Staff, PTO members, and other regular parent volunteers are invited to vote. Please share the voting link as you see fit.

Winners will be selected based on total votes received and will be announced on Friday 1/26



Yearbook content - please add pictures to the yearbook folder in google drive here:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1dkWb8HrQVVbauzYR6mURtWB_02Uqh85E?usp=sharing

If you have your own online drive for pictures, please share it with Kelly Rennells -

kelly.duren@yahoo.com

- Photos due around the time yearbook orders due, March 27th

Cupid Cards - Discussion: is StucCo going to do Cupid Cards? If not, should PTO do them?

- Arviso to confirm/ sales start next week, end on Bingo Night
- TBD if Cody the Coyote will be available to deliver on 2/14

The PTO manages the funds for the LS/RM drama club. We have collected \$146.95 in drama club dues for them. Motion to encumber \$146.95 for Drama Club.

- Motion made by Marisol Carillo. Second by Tim Lorenzen. Motion passed

Commissioned Orchestra Composition - Amber Weaver (present) - a composer has offered to create a piece specifically for Las Sendas. The cost for this is \$1,000

- Coyote symphony, alumnae participation year after year
- Motion made by Scott Hockings. Second by Jennifer McKee. Motion passed

Otter Pops for Track and Field/Primary Play Day - McConnell - \$225

- Motion made by Allison Kenley. Second by Tonja Lazier. Motion passed

Decades Dash Expenses - as in year's past, the PTO covered expenses for the Decades Dash with the understanding that the HOA will donate all registration fees to the PTO. Race shirts cost \$1223.48, the DJ was \$200, and prizes cost \$30. Cup of Joey generously donated two gift cards for race prizes and Grandma's Ice Cream on Wheels donated race prizes for kids. Motion to encumber \$1,453.48 (these funds will be recovered)

- Motion made by Allison Kenley. Second by James Cuocci. Motion passed

Arizona Corporation Commission - we needed to update our registration with the ACC for 2022 and 2023, motion to encumber \$20 to cover fees

- Motion made by Pam McConnell. Second by Amber Weaver. Motion passed

Wednesday Envelopes cost more than anticipated - motion to encumber \$24.72

- Motion made by Alexandria Wienke. Second by Amber Weaver. Motion passed

Housekeeping:

Encumber:

SSEP - \$0.10

Unencumber:

Canned Food Drive Pizza Party - \$1.45

Speakers - \$3.20

- Motion made by Allison Kenley. Second by Tonja Lazier. Motion passed

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Bingo Night - 2/9 from 6:30-8:00 pm in the multipurpose room

Teacher's Luncheon- 2/14 in the media center

Starfighters Arcade DNO - 2/22 from 4-7 pm - tickets available to purchase soon

The next PTO meeting will be on February 26th at 2:30 p.m. in the media center.

Motion to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned 3:01pm by Lindsey Clayton