



# LEESVILLE

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA

## LES PTA Monthly Meeting

- ❖ Monday, March 4, 2024 LES Library
- ❖ Be supportive. Ask questions. Provide solutions.

Topic:	Facilitator:	Key Notes/Actions:
Call Meeting to Order Welcome	Sandra Soderstrom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Meeting called to order at 5:37pm</li> </ul>
Approval of Minutes	Meredith Schauer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Meredith summarized the February Meeting Notes. Lauren Hampton made a motion to approve the notes, Sandra Soderstrom seconded, and all approved the minute notes.</li> </ul>
President's Update	Sandra Soderstrom	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- We will send home a spring flier to parents of upcoming information and needs. We hope that this will provide an additional way to communicate with parents so they are in the know. Information from PTA chairs needs to be sent to Sandra by Monday, March 11.</li> <li>- Silent Auction: please continue to work on collecting Silent Auction items.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- printed sheets of paper with Tax ID information are available to bring with you whenever you visit a local business.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Sandra will remind staff on Wednesday morning that items that should be purchased for their classroom out of the PTA Teacher's Fund HAVE to be purchased by March 31. If it is purchased after March 31, they will not be reimbursed by the PTA Teacher's Fund budget. This fund was intended to be used for that school year, so if items are not purchased by March 31, they will not truly be able to be used by the class for that school year for long. They do have until May 1 or 15 (Sandra will go back to consult notes to confirm date) to submit reimbursements.</li> <li>- TShirts for Fundraiser - items have been ordered - they ended up being around \$8/tshirt               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- this year's shirt design is just a NC state outline with "Leesville" written across the state with the sponsors on the back to allow it to be a shirt that grows along with them</li> </ul> </li> <li>- We have a new LES PTA gmail email account for outgoing communication so you don't have to have folks reply to your personal email address.</li> </ul>
Principal's Update	Ari Cohen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Code Red Lockdown Drill: the first 3-campus lock down for this year. Staff and students did not know. The police said they truly had no recommendations that could be made for them to handle the process any better.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Our cafeteria and gym are tied in with the Middle School alarm codes.</li> <li>- Due to all three schools being together, if one school has a lockdown, all schools go into lockdown.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Read Across America Week this week:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will culminate on Friday with Career Day</li> <li>- First time we are doing it in this format, and this is a great way for students to be able to choose what booths they want to visit during Career Day</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Social Worker Appreciation Week: Peyton Kornegay - the best Social Worker around and deserves all the appreciation this week!</li> <li>- Tuesday, March 12: Leesville is hosting the Board Advisory Council Meeting               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- all reps from District 7 will be there.</li> <li>- food will be set out - Sandra is working on food donations for next week</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Thursday, March 14: Pi Day</li> <li>- Thursday, March 21: Campus tour for this month</li> <li>- Thursday, March 21, 5:45-6:45pm: Specials Curriculum Night</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All specials will have a station set up for the students to visit</li> <li>- First week after Spring Break is Assistant Principal Week, so start thinking!</li> <li>- March 12: "The Gift of Time" - we are still looking for a few classes that need parents so keep pushing</li> </ul>
Vice President's Update	Becky Hilton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-</li> <li>- Pride Pack with other schools status <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hunter, Powell, Underwood, &amp; Joyner <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Joyner is getting most of the LES students <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- They are the ones most interested in partnering and Becky and Lauren will be meeting to discuss what we do and how we can best support them on 3/5.</li> <li>- This support will be for one year only.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Hunter, Powell, &amp; Underwood does not appear to have as much interest or already have a program established.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>- We need to be more intentional moving forward in knowing how to continue to raise awareness and empathy within our student population as they will not necessarily be as aware with some of our student population shifting.</li> </ul>
Treasurer's Update	Erin Alton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pride Pack: we are already pretty close to budget - \$1,428 remaining</li> <li>- The Church of the Nativity has already given \$1,768 of their pledged \$2,000.</li> <li>- Just to continue to feed the 60 children - we would need about \$10,000 more for the remainder of the year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For the upcoming Food Drive: there will be an Amazon Wishlist to collect the food.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Currently, there is no other budget item that needs to be addressed.</li> </ul>
Spirit Night Update	Stephanie Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Spirit Days scheduled: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Chik-fil-a Townridge: Wednesday, March 20th</li> <li>- Panera Colonnade Center: Sunday, April 7th</li> <li>- Chipotle Townridge: Monday, June 3rd</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Pending Spirit Days: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Quail Ridge Books + Aladdin's Eatery combo evening</li> <li>- Crumbl (Six Forks Station)</li> <li>- Goodberry's: Tuesday, May 21</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Hospitality	Anthony Favale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lunch on Wednesday for Peyton Kornegay - just having to confirm exact meal and time with her still.</li> <li>- Pi Day - 3/14</li> <li>- Staff Appreciation will be coming up - organize a separate meeting to see who all is interested in helping</li> <li>- April - TBD - do a breakfast or lunch for teachers</li> </ul>
Pride Pack	Lauren Hampton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- House of Hops will host a spirit day Sunday March 10, 2-4pm. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A portion of those sales will come straight to Pride Pack.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Still need bags - anything with blue</li> </ul>
Health & Wellness	Kathryn Noblitt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Spring Walk/Bike to school <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Wednesday, May 8 - Kathryn is happy to coordinate if everyone is interested</li> <li>- There is no conflict of dates</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Field Day	Christine Waychoff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- May 3, Rain Date May 10</li> <li>- Inflatables booked <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- discussed paying for</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Still working on DJ</li> </ul>
Follow-up items		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- PTA Chairs send Sandra information for PTA spring flier by Monday, March 11.</li> </ul>

Notes: Meeting adjourned at 6:42pm

Attendees:

Janel Kinlaw

Meredith Schauer  
Kathryn Noblitt  
Sandra Soderstrom  
Christine Waychoff  
Sharon Hupp  
Stephanie Grant  
Becky Hilton  
Ari Cohen  
Jessica Bailey  
Erin Alton  
Adrienne Guilherme  
Tami Owens  
Lauren Hampton  
Heather Splawn  
Anthony Favale  
Adrienne Turner