

Laughlin Professional Development Center

Friday, March 28, 2025 @ 10:00 am

Call to order Brian McClung

Roll call for all Directors 1 & 2

Spring meeting minutes read by Veronica Pierce

- ✚ Motion was made and accepted

Treasurer report read by Daisy Roulhac

- ✚ Balance for checking \$147,875.72, money market \$79,652.93 and the share account \$52.84

- ✚ Working balance of \$227,581.49

- ✚ Motion made and accepted

### **Committee Reports**

Marge McGill – 18 out of 100 counties have paid membership dues.

NC School Bus Roadeo

- ✚ The NC School Bus Roadeo is scheduled to take place on June 4, 2025, at the Martin Building in Raleigh, NC. Registration forms were made available on the NCPTA website.

NCASA – No new updates to report at this time.

Transposium Update by Cynthia Phillips

- ✚ Everything is on target for the June 23-26 Transposium at the Convention Center on the riverfront in Wilmington, NC. The trade show is scheduled for 6/25/2025.

- ✚ Class schedules and descriptions have been made available online.

- ✚ Two hotels were added for overflow, the Hampton Inn and the Courtyard by Marriott. It has been confirmed that trolleys would run between all hotels.

- ✚ Meals were also confirmed, dinner to be served on Monday, lunch on Tuesday and Wednesday, and lunch/dinner on Thursday.

- ✚ Security will be present at all times, and it is requested that pouches be worn by members and their guests at all times.

- ✚ Members can purchase tickets for their guests to eat dinner; however, lunches are reserved for members only.

- ✚ David Grant from Carolina Thomas will be the instructor for the Lift classes. All mechanics are urged to follow their class schedule.

- ✚ The NCPTA App is current and live.

- ✚ All members need to ensure that their mail address is correct as all sessions are email driven. Members are encouraged to inform Cynthia of any updates regarding their email address during check-in.

- ✚ 364 members are registered for the Transposium.

- ✚ There is a parking fee at all hotels. Members are encouraged to car pool if they can.
- ✚ The top 4 sponsors will be sponsoring the following events: Opening Session – Dinner provided by Carolina Thomas on Monday night. Casino Night sponsored by Gregory Poole on Monday night. Cornhole Tournament and the 80's Disco Theme Party Event sponsored by White's IC on Tuesday night and BUSGO sponsored by Carolina Thomas on Wednesday night.

#### Trade Show Update – Regina

- ✚ New signs for the tradeshow were displayed. Currently, 24 vendors have paid to participate in the Trade Show.

#### DPI Updates

- ✚ Currently, in the state of North Carolina there are 11,000 school bus routes, 17,000 buses on the road, and 29,000 school bus drivers.

#### DMV Updates – Bill and Barbara

- ✚ School bus driver classes and renewals are planned throughout the summer. During the 2024-2025 school year there were 2,239 newly licensed school bus drivers, 4,240 renewals, 656 no shows and 80 people that failed.
- ✚ DMV has introduced a new initiative. Trainers will begin going paperless and utilizing a web-based service. This will allow for more training time with drivers.
- ✚ Two more training buses have been added for a total of 5 in the state. The training buses are located in Stedman, Greensboro, Buncombe, Wake and Statesville. This is a benefit for charter and private schools.

#### Update – Derek Graham

- ✚ Edulog has been meeting with the TIMS staff weekly about the ATHENA routing system. ATHENA is a cloud-based system that does not operate off local servers. Additional information will be provided at the Transposium.

#### New Business

- ✚ The NCPTA Advisory Council has been asked to share all scheduled meeting dates earlier. This will allow for Districts to distribute this information to their staff. A lack of participation from Districts and enthusiasm of members was also discussed at this time.

#### Adjournment – Brian McClung