

# Elliott Ranch Elementary Parent Teacher Organization Meeting Minutes Tuesday, October 7, 2025

Meeting called to order at 6:03 by president

#### Quorum met

#### Introductions

Name and child/ren at Elliott Ranch

#### Minutes

- Approval for May, August and September minutes
  - Voting to approve minutes is dependent on meeting and posting times
    - Minutes are dispersed to PTO members via website
    - Must be posted to website for two weeks prior to vote to approve
    - Due to posting schedule and meeting timing, had to postpone May and August vote
  - Motion to approve May, August and September minutes
    - Seconded and approved unanimous

## Financial Report

- New budgeting program
  - Switched to Quicken with the help of a professional
    - Don't have to enter data twice
    - Can just print out now
      - Budget now 2 pages and one line
- Budget passed out
  - Accurate as of this week
  - Can email treasurer for comments, questions and concerns about the budget: treasurer@elliottranchpto.com
- Motion to approve financial report
  - Seconded and passed unanimous

## **Principals Update**

- Book Fair next week 10/13-17
  - Open during and after school
- Lunch in the Quad next week 10/13-17
  - o 6th grade: Mon 10/13 @ 12:45-1:15
  - 5th grade: Tues 10/14 @ 12:20-12:50
  - 4th grade: Wed 10/15 @ 11:55-12:25
  - o 2nd & 3rd grade: Thur 10/16 @ 11:30-12:00



- 1st grade: Fri 10/17 @ 11:55-12:25
  - Will provide popsicles for 1st graders whose families cannot attend
- Will do another lunch in the Quad in the spring

## **Events Recap**

- Custodian Appreciation Day
  - Our custodians a key part of all events
  - They go above and beyond for the school
  - Appreciation:
    - Put message on marquee
    - Gave requested wet-vac to custodians
    - Provided Starbucks and treats

# Upcoming events

- Membership Drive
  - o Earned \$12,285
  - Participation:
    - Godt and Catriss over 70% participation
    - Seven classes hit at least 50% participation
    - 40% of families signed up for PTO
  - Membership reward levels go out to teachers next week
    - One reward was complementary birthday wishes on the new digital marquee
      - Sidenote: Got \$500 off the sign for a misspelling
- Harvest Festival is Thur 10/30 5:30-8pm
  - Event details:
    - Park and enter school parking lot from Don Natoli park
    - Admission is a fee plus canned foods
      - Part of a canned food drive
    - Go through trunk-or-treat line
      - Line of vehicles with their trunks decorated with harvest and halloween themes
      - Get candy at each trunk
    - Trunk-or-treat line finishes at food, dj, seating & games
      - Teachers and clubs run own booth and make money for their classroom or organization
      - Clubs can also do food
  - General information:
    - Fire and Police departments are coming
    - Skyzone is providing a trunk
    - Local business that want to advertise can attend, have to have a trunk
  - Planning:
    - Need to settle food



- Pizza: need someone to get from costco
- Hotdogs: need someone to grill
  - o Can grill on-campus
  - o Possible parent volunteer
- Spam musubi
  - Need a team to make them
  - Musubi making party day of event
    - Sign-up sent around meeting
- Will order 200 boba
  - With straws!
- Do a Costco run the day before event
- Volunteers:
  - High school and middle students will help collect money, serve food, run games
    - Student volunteers will have their own table of food
  - Talk to leadership to sell tickets
  - Parent volunteers signup list is online at <u>elliottranchpto.com</u>
    - o Emails, TalkingPoints, fliers going out this week
- Discussion:
  - Do we need tables?
    - Less than half teachers that signed up for games want a table
    - Might purchase through harvest fest budget
  - Should we do two entrances?
    - · Last year the line was very long
    - Do two lines: prepaid and walk-up
      - Man the line to inform,
      - o Make an A frame
- Candy Drive for Trunk-or-Treat starts Fri 10/17

# General updates

- Dine and Donate
  - Fri 10/24 at Chuck E Cheese, give 20% to ER
  - Wed 10/29 at BJs, give 20% to ER
- Big project still needs to be decided. Options include:
  - New stage equipment
  - School cleaning/refresh
  - New track/turf for field

#### Q&A with EGUSD Area 4 Trustee Delia Baulwin, Board Member

- Background:
  - Appointed in February
    - Former trustee moved, position vacated
    - Only requirement is to live in the area



- Several children in Area 4 schools
- Visiting all Area 4 schools
- Trustee tasks:
  - Assessing needs of schools
    - Funds from covid are running out this year
    - Looking into priorities by meeting families and visiting PTOs
    - The end of year parent, teacher and student perspective surveys give feedback to district
      - ER has 40% response rate, highest in the district
  - Appoint new EGUSD superintendent
    - Current superintendent is retiring
    - Third party vendor is leading candidate search
    - 40 applicants for position to review
  - o Set EGUSD funds for schools
    - Projects approved to begin in 2027 with funds from Measure N (only active projects listed):
      - Modernizations:
        - VAC replacement campus-wide
        - EMS ugradeFire allarm ugrade
        - Classroom upgradesREpair/paint doors
        - Replace PA system (intercom)
        - Replace curtains and audio system (MPR)
      - Reconfiguration:
        - Secure entry
      - Site improvements:
        - Exterior and parking lot lighting upgrade to LED
        - Regrade/restripe parking lot and hardcourts
        - Replace truncated domes
        - Replace basketball backboards and nets
        - Add drinking fountains to playfields and outside classroom buildings
    - Full Summary of Recommendations available under the ELk Grove
       Unified School District 2025 Facilities Master Plan at elkgrovefmp.net
      - ER facility information can be found under the Cosumnes Oaks High School Region
      - https://www.elkgrovefmp.net/s/071\_EGUSD\_FCA-Reports\_COSU MNES-OAKS-HS-Zone-9 Draft-20240716 v1 reduced.pdf
- Discussion:
  - Can the staffroom floor be fixed with Measure N funds?
    - No, it cannot be included under these funds
    - Principal already working to fix
      - A vendor has come out, hope to start soon
  - Can ending ASER funds be covered by LCAP funds?



- No, the programs and staff funded by ASER, particularly AIT, will need to be covered another way
- Can talk in the spring about the PTO subsidizing AIT staff
- For questions and concerns contact Area 4 Trustee Delia Baulwin, <a href="mailto:dbaulwin@egusd.net">dbaulwin@egusd.net</a>

Next meeting is Tues November 4th @ 6pm in the Library

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm

Meeting Highlights (For Classroom Liaisons and Teachers):

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  - We need decorated trunks and volunteers
  - o Please signup online at elliottranchpto.com
- Candy Drive for Trunk-or-Treat starts next Fri 10/17
  - Please bring in a bag of candy
- Dine & Donate for October:
  - o Fri 10/24 @ Chuck E Cheese
  - Wed 10/29 @ BJs
- ER Approved Facilities Improvements listed at Elk Grove Unified School District 2025
   Facilities Master Plan: elkgrovefmp.net
  - ER facility information is under the Cosumnes Oaks High School Region
  - Questions or comments can be directed to the Area 4 Trustee: Delia Baulwin, <u>dbaulwin@equsd.net</u>
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