



Elliott Ranch Elementary Parent Teacher Organization
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 2, 2025

Meeting called to order at 6:03 pm by president

Quorum met

Minutes

- August minutes not posted for the necessary two weeks because the meeting was only two weeks ago
 - October meeting will vote on last May, August and September minutes

Financial Report

- New Art Docent Curriculum cost around \$3,000 (\$2400 for K-6 curriculum and \$300 for TK)
 - Motion to increase Art Docent fund from \$2,000 to \$5,000
 - Seconded and pass unanimous
- Spirit Wear discussion
 - Need \$900 from Teacher Appreciation to cover

Principal's Update

- Mr. Alessi attended today's meeting
- The school year is running smoothly
- Complaint from student about lack of balls to play with during recess
 - The ball cage is full
 - Swap out newer balls throughout the year
- Discussion about adding a student rep to the PTO

Liaison Program

- Need a parent liaison for every classroom
 - Coordinate teacher gifts, do Spring Fling basket, etc

Events Recap

- Ice Cream Social
 - Marquee unveiling
 - Ms. VanHousen set up a slide show
 - Ms. VanHousen and PTO president have marquee login
 - Still learning how to use marquee effectively
 - Scrolling, font size and color, speed slides rotate
 - Families that donated \$100 or more for membership drive will have a slide on the marquee

- Still setting up dates and slides
- Families will be able to reserve a slide on the marquee
- Need to set up a process for how to reserve slides

Upcoming Events

- Membership Drive ends this Friday 9/5
 - So far raised \$9,140, goal is \$13,000
 - Send out TalkingPoints to remind families
 - Almost at 50% participation rate
- Tile Painting Thursday 9/25, 5-7pm
 - Need to finish beautifying side of classroom
 - Families paint tiles, can include names and year
 - Need to make signup genius for parent volunteers
 - Tiles are \$75/tile, available for sale on-line
 - Already have all the supplies
 - Need a budget line for profit to go into
 - Motion to put \$2000 for Tile Painting under Fundraising
 - Second and pass unanimous
- Custodian Appreciation
 - Eduardo is lead custodian, Sue and Jesse at nights
 - Eduardo helps and does not complain, goes out of his way
 - Can ask custodians if they want anything
 - Jesse previously requested a cleaning supply
 - Make a banner, also on marquee
 - Need banner by 10/2

Harvest Festival

- Trunk or Treat event,
 - Enter through parking lot
 - Go through trunk or treat line
 - Candy provided by candy drive
 - Candy collected using giant “monster” boxes
 - If reach the candy drive goal then Mr Alessi does something silly
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 - Food, games and activities on the other side
 - Partner with teachers to let them run a game booth
 - They collect tickets and that goes directly to their classroom
 - PTO liaisons can run booths to raise money for their specific class
 - Black Student Union runs a booth and raises money for club activities
 - Use reimbursement request for funds
 - Vice President coordinating Harvest Festival

- Coordination meeting Tuesday 9/16 @ 6pm in the Library

General Updates

- PTO registration
 - Every year the Elk Grove school district requires registration for school connected organizations
 - Due Thursday 9/4 and the President is on it!
 - Still working to improve facilities reservations
- Spring Fling chair positions open
- Yearbook
 - Sold 33 books and 1 recognition ad
 - Limited recognition ad so buy soon
- Big Project Ideas
 - Previous endowments:
 - Marquee, shade structures, chrome books, smart boards, track
 - 2025-26 endowment ideas:
 - New stage equipment:
 - Sound system and curtain replacement or repair
 - School cleaning/refresh
 - Field replacement with turf
 - Field is full of holes, safety issue of twisting ankles
 - Redo track
 - Also full of holes
 - President look into quotes
 - Don't need to decide for a few months

Next meeting October 7th @ 6pm in the Library

Meeting adjourned at 7:01pm