

Sonora Elementary School PTA
Executive Board Meeting Wednesday
March 4, 2026

- Call to Order:
- Opening Remarks by President: Dori Arbour Welcome; meeting commenced at 6:13 on March 4, 2026
- Secretary: Erica Phan
 - Quorum:
 - Dori Arbour
 - Lindsay Ortega
 - Mia Doidge
 - Erica Phan
 - Ashley Estrada
 - Tracy Vega
 - Kim Thach
 - Diana Black
 - Motion to approve; Minutes from February 4, 2026 approved
- Principal's Report
 - SARF Rule has been changed—if it's \$5,000 or less, it does not need to go through SARF approval
 - PBIS store is almost up and running—projected to open next week; new Eagle bucks will be blue (green will be expired)
 - Doidge will send someone list of items to purchase from Amazon
 - Church is donating items for the store

- Hosting learning lock to see what “high quality instruction” looks like
- Extreme science assembly has not received a check
- Zone pack meeting discussed
 - New principal (Jeff Giles) for the Middle and High School discussed what is coming to Mesa, including college courses
 - Wants to encourage more communication with parents in the community and among schools to establish a greater community for all of Mesa Jr./High School
- We are considering talent show this year—Doidge will talk to music teacher about that
- 6th grade week: Tracy is communicating with the school; Doidge will talk with the teachers about dodgeball (teachers vs. 6th graders)
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- Document retention policy:
 - Where to store minutes/agendas?
 - Discussion re Google Docs but we will need guidance on how to do that or a centralized location for minutes in the future
 - Lindsay discussed use of email addresses for future treasurers/PTA communications
 - Michelle has access to the emails (and has already updated the website for our PTA and it looks great)
 - Lindsay is working with Michelle to get out emails for future events as well
- General Association Meeting
 - Friday, March 6, 2026 after flag deck
 - Will have morning refreshments
 - Need to show budget to PTA members for approval/questions

- Discussion re expenditures and new items added to budget for Lindsay to go over whole budget with general group of people
- Dori will discuss upcoming events such as dance and jog-a-thon as well as elections
- How to join PTA and/or become part of the communication thread on whatsapp
- Boots and Bling Dance: March 19th
 - Will print flyers
 - Viking Food Truck will attend
 - Popsicle cart might come
 - Ashley, Diana, and Michelle taking lead on this
 - Coordinating arts and crafts, items for sale, line dancing
 - Facilities use for this needs to be done
 - Ana Elkhazzare will be handling balloons
 - Discussion re whether to offer free popcorn, sell it, or if it will compete with the food trucks
 - Other activities (besides dancing) discussed
 - Budget needed per Diana: about \$1,600
 - Motion to approve raised by Diana
 - Seconded by Erica Phan
 - Motion approved
- Honorary Service Awards are on May 4th
 - Recognize these people on April 24th
 - Will discuss awards to accompany winners at next meeting
- Odyssey of the Minds and Robotics called “Vex”
 - Monday May 11th from 5-8pm at Estancia

- Odyssey is specific to gate students
- Robotics is for 4th, 5th and 6th graders had to interview
- It is a spring showcase for district
- PTA is deciding to participate; Dori volunteered to sell popcorn
- Cinco de Mayo
 - Dori and her stepmom are making headway to call/secure donations
 - City of Costa Mesa/Love Costa Mesa
 - Representative for students that need community service hours
 - This would allow more parents to enjoy events
 - Sonic is going to donate limeade slushies so that we can sell them
- Jogathon March 27th
 - Sonic has a mascot to donate for the event and Sonic will hand out coupons
 - T-shirts to be sponsored by Dinh family (they are contributing \$2,000)
 - Lindsay discussed putting sponsors' names on the t-shirts
 - Discussion re different colors for different grades
 - 32 kids registered for jogathon so far
 - Lindsay will call Juice it Up to participate
 - Options to “win them” through donations (i.e. prize level) or buy \$5 day of
 - Lindsay will handle cash envelopes as well
 - Prizes
 - Prizes discussed: pajama day, popsicle party, homework pass, extra recess, Doidge dressing up as an Eagle
 - DJ booked

- We're using Future Fund for collecting funds (they collect processing fees only but don't take a percentage of what is earned)
 - Lindsay will have posters for parents to decorate to cheer on their kids
 - Lindsay will call Mesa water to see about donations
- We raised approximately \$650 from Chuck E Cheese fundraiser
- Juice it Up
 - January 69 smoothies: \$86
 - February 90 smoothies: \$112.50
- Stg Pepperoni Dine out on March 11th
 - Kim will get that advertised
- March 11th
 - Dori, Kim, and Michelle will be attending
 - 4th District administrator award being presented to Doidge
 - at Knotts Hotel
- Treasurer's Report
 - Want to give accountant power of attorney (accounting firm is Stamos & Stamos; Becky Barrios Becky@stamosandstamos.com)
 - Lindsay will sign and place a copy of that in Google Drive
 - Can be reimbursed by Zelle instead of check
- Additional motion to approve expenses
 - by Lindsay
 - for jogathon (approximately \$5,000)
 - for approximately \$60 for food/drinks
 - \$160.12 for Battle of the Books Shirts
 - spirit wear for 2026-2027 school year \$8,199.39

- motion made by motion made by Diana; seconded Ashley; approved
- Audit
 - Lindsay still needs to give Diana items to complete the audit
- Harbor Council
 - Discussion re campus safety
 - cyber security
 - e-bike safety
 - crosswalks
- next meeting
 - March 30th 6pm
 - If Erica can't make it, Diana will be backup for secretary
- Motion to end meeting
 - Raised by Diana; seconded by Lindsay; motion approved
- Adjournment
 - Meeting concluded at 8:12