

# Las Sendas Elementary PTO Meeting Minutes

February 24, 2014

Las Sendas Elementary School Parent-Teacher Organization (“PTO”) met in regular session in the media center at Las Sendas Elementary (“Las Sendas”) 3120 N. Red Mountain Rd., on February 24, 2013. Meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm.

Introduction/Roll Call: Alicia Goforth

Alicia Goforth (President), Jennifer Berkshire (VP Fundraising), Donna Empson (Treasurer), Jennifer Wall (VP Events), Stephanie Drew (VP Communications), Present. Aaron Kaczmarek (Principal).

Approval of January 2014 Minutes: Stephanie Drew

Motion to approve January 2014 minutes as written was made by Dawn Silva, seconded by JoAnn Bondelli. Motion passed.

Treasurer’s Report: Donna Empson

Donna discussed a few “Housekeeping” items: Unencumber the following funds: Spirit Wear - \$772.71 and Common Core training - \$400.00. Motion made by Nicole Mongiovi, seconded by JoAnn Bondelli. Motion passed.

Cupid’s Cards update – sales were down a bit this year, perhaps next year we try something different to liven things up. Regardless, we made a profit of \$2,909.45.

Principal’s Report: Aaron Kaczmarek

Mr. Kaczmarek will be sending out letters to parents regarding the Enrichment classes next week. Grades 1-6 will each have an Enrichment room. We have a plan in place on how to determine which kids will be placed in the room, which is outlined in the letter. The curriculum is the same, but Enrichment classes will be supplementing and going deeper into learning and “digging in.” Lessons can be completed more quickly, so they will have this extra time to expand their learning. There will be some adjustments and bumps, but this year 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and 5<sup>th</sup> grade Enrichment rooms went very well, so we anticipate success with all grades.

## **New Business:**

Kindergarten Round-Up: Aaron Kaczmarek

Mr. Kaczmarek requested to encumber \$100.00 for milk and cookies to be handed out at Kindergarten Round-Up to be held on Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. Motion made by Dawn Silva, seconded by Nicole Mongiovi. Motion passed.

Landscaping:

Aaron Kaczmarek

Mr. Kaczmarek requested to encumber \$1,000.00 for grass fertilizer to keep the playground grass looking great. Motion made by Angie Jackson, seconded by Nicole Mongiovi. Motion passed.

Fundraising:

Jennifer Berkshire

Firehouse Subs was a great success – we don't have the numbers at the moment, but will in the next few days. O'Neill's Place is our next Coyotes Dining Out is on March 13<sup>th</sup>, and they will donate 15% of proceeds to Las Sendas.

School Cents earned us \$600 in the form of mall gift cards! We have earned just under \$2,000.00 from Box Tops so far this year. Angie Jackson's class won the pizza party for Box Tops. The next contest is an ice cream party to be held at the end of May.

Spring Book Fair:

Jennifer Wall

Jennifer Wall requested to encumber \$6,000.00 to be spent on miscellaneous items for the Book Fair in April. We used to treat the Book Fair as a separate entity, but we are moving to keep it like any other event the PTO hosts, where we encumber the funds to pay for the books we sell from Scholastic ahead of time. When the time comes to pay for the books (to Scholastic), the money will already be encumbered. Motion to encumber funds was made by Angie Jackson, seconded by Nicole Mongiovi. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by JoAnn Bondelli and seconded by Nicole Mongiovi.

**Meeting was adjourned at 6:46 pm.**