



Angell Elementary School PTA Meeting Minutes April 1, 2025

I. Call to Order:

- Quorum established with 22 participants and meeting started at 7:05pm

II. Approval of previous meeting minutes:

- Motion: Ariana Carps
- Second: Rob Herman
- Motion passed: minutes approved as presented

III. Angell Counselor Update

Katie Greager & Kezzie Chudler

- Introduction to Restorative Practices: What are Restorative Practices? Principles and approaches that focus on building relationships and community; Address harm and conflict through dialogue, empathy, and accountability; Emphasis on understanding, healing, and restoration over punishment.
- Key Principles: Respect, Responsibility, Repair, Inclusion, Accountability
- The Benefits: Reduces Conflict, Builds Trust, Promotes Accountability, Improves School Climate
- Restorative Practices vs. Traditional Discipline: Traditional discipline often focuses on punishment and exclusion; Restorative practices focuses on repairing harm, restoring relationships, and teaching empathy; Key difference is restorative practices are proactive, aiming to prevent harm before it happens.
- Active April Calendar

IV. PTA Board & Principal Reports

President – Bridget Rock

- March Volunteer of the Month: Debb Carlson. She runs the book fair and renewed our school's Ever Green status. We will announce it on social media.
- Open Board Position Nominations: Vice President and Secretary are up for election. Nicole Feys self nominated for VP, Eric Steinger self nominated for VP. Kelsey Cole self nominated for Secretary. We will vote on board positions at the next meeting.
- Committee Positions (DEI, Fun Run): If anyone is interested in either of these committees, please reach out. If anyone is interested in chairing the Mum Sale Committee so that Bridget can focus on Fun Run please reach out. Rob Herman has volunteered to take over Mum Sales. If you are planning to step down as committee chair, please give us as much notice as possible so that we can find a replacement.
- There was no district PTA meeting this month due to Spring Break.
- Bridget and Tara were both asked to be on the interview committee for Mr. G's replacement. They sat in on different days. They are not able to give information about the candidates but they can tell you what they liked about them. If you have any questions, you can ask either of them.

Vice Presidents – Nicole Feys & Erin Steinger

- No report

Treasurer – Tara Samson

- The bank balance is currently \$58,056.14.
- Not much came in or went out in March.

Secretary – Kelsey Cole

- No report



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Principal – Vince Gigliotti

- We did receive our Ever Green status again.
- Big shoutout to our lunch aids. They came in early on Monday for additional training. We generated more ideas for training for next year.
- 5th graders: we have our string extravaganza coming up
- Shout out to the staff. We will be hosting phonics training. Our teachers will be teaching a model lesson.
- MSTEP testing for 3th, 4th and 5th graders coming up. The message for these students is to come in and give it your best shot. We have until May 16th to have it completed. We try to have all testing done in early May so that we have time for make ups.
- Off to the Races -

Teacher Rep – Melissa Watkins

- Thank you all for the snacks for conferences. We appreciate it.
- Phonics program: this is her 3rd year with this program. We teach the printing and how to make the letters in kindergarten and this is the best she's seen the handwriting.

V. Committee Reports and Upcoming Events

Reflections – Lisa Klein

- No report.
- Next year's theme should be announced in May.

Restaurant Night – Sammi Anderson

- For March, we did really well. They donated \$350, which was actually more than we earned.
- April 17th at Ray's Ice Cream all day long. You have to mention Angell. 20% will be donated back.

Dad's Club Report – Rob Herman

- Grounds clean up on April 12th at 9am. This will be the first of three. There will be treats. This is not limited to just Dad's Club and kids are welcome. We will be working on a plan for the flowerbeds and landscaping. Girl Scouts will be helping with the flowers.
- On May 31st, we will be planting flowers. This is when the Girl Scouts will be planting their flowers too.
- Last year we did a rocket launch and we are going to try to do it again this year. We are looking at May 10th. Time to be determined. More information will be sent out via email and social media.
- On June 7th, we are going to a Leprechaun's game at 6:35pm. Tickets are \$10. Tickets will be available later this month or early May.
- A conversation was started with Ms. Letvin for coming up with a logo and mascot. This is in the works.
- Meeting this month on April 17th at 7pm at Dog and Pony Show.
- Tara Samson motions to increase Landscaping budget by \$650 from Special by Vote. Ariana Carps seconded. Motion passed.

Teacher Appreciation – Kristy Devine & Abby Levin



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- Last month, we stocked the lounge and did conference snacks.
- Still working on plans for April.
- Finalizing plans for Teacher Appreciation week in May.

Assemblies – Christi Lawson

- Author visit had to be canceled at the last minute due to health issues. She has reached out to reschedule. We will be working on getting that rescheduled.

VI. Old Business

- Book Fair: we had the book fair. It went well.
- Skate Night: we sponsored Skate Night. It went well, everyone had fun and there were no injuries.

VII. New Business/Questions/Comments

- Rose motioned to use \$300 from Special by Vote for gifts for the student teachers, Sammi Anderson seconded. Motion passed.
- STEM Night: April 16th from 6-8pm. Once we figure out how many we have, the time may be adjusted. More information will be posted soon.
- Angell's Around the World is May 8th from 6-8pm. Kindergarten and 1st grade concerts are also that night at 6pm and 6:45pm. Hopefully that will bring more people out as well. For those that don't know what it is, people set up tables with information and food about the countries they are from.
- Angellfish Outdoor Market: Sunday, May 18th from 1-3pm. This can be a swap meet as well as selling homemade items. We discussed letting kids sell their gently used items this year. The sign up will go out and students will have to purchase a booth for \$2.
- Math update: we did adopt the Bridges math program from the pilot program.

VIII. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn by Tara Samson at 8:13pm
- Second: Lisa Klein
- Motion passed and meeting adjourned