



**The overall purpose of PTA is to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.  
Every child. One Voice**

**LPES PTA  
General Board Meeting Agenda  
May 15, 2024  
Laurel Park Elementary Media Center  
6:30pm**

**On-Site Sign-In:** <https://forms.gle/LVP6FeBc6zkMtRJ1A>

**Call to Order - 6:43pm**

**Welcome - Julie Neild**

Thank you to all of our members, volunteers and donors! You all helped to make this 23-24 school year extra special for our children. We greatly appreciate all of your time and hard work that went into the success of our PTA. We could not have done this without you!

**President's Report - Julie Neild**

- What we have scheduled to finish out this year
  - **5th grade moving up ceremony** - T1 is June 3rd - T3 & T4 June 26th. Both at 1:30pm in the cafeteria/gym area.
    - Sign-up for set up, clean up, handing out cupcakes
    - Currently sign up for 4th grade parents then will be available to all other volunteers
  - **Kindergarten play date**- June 8th at 10am on the school playground.
- Items that will continue or roll over to next year
  - Playground upgrade for k-2 - budget \$40,000 for next year
  - Outdoor classroom
    - 24-25 school year we are getting help from Home Depot through their adopt a school program - will work on drainage and grading, fixing the benches
    - 5th graders for legacy project will paint benches and beautify the area
  - Learning resource library - Have ordered \$2,000 worth of resources, working on a check out system to implement in the school by the end of this year. Materials to be included: books, flashcards, learning games
  - We have also partnered with Lidl on their Lidl for a Better Tomorrow Program.

**Secretary's Report - Abbey Kruse**

- Review and approval of meeting minutes from last general meetings on [February 7, 2024](#) & [November 8, 2023](#)

- November 8, 2024 - Motion- Belle Rose 2nd - Lauren Hill, motion passed
- February 7, 2024 - Motion - Charelle Lovett 2nd - Nancy Haight, motion passed

### Treasurer's Report - Kelly McGowan

- [Review of April month end report](#)
  - Revenue:
    - Olivia Rodrgio concert
    - Book fair
    - 5th grade ad sales
  - Expenses
    - Teacher grants (grade level and mini grants)
    - Fundraising - book fair, renewing movie license, spirit wear, staff support/wellness, sub pay/teacher planning
- Audit committee complete, engaged, and reviewing documents
- [Proposed budget 2024-2025](#)
  - \$80,000 carryover - saving for additional playground equipment
  - Business sponsorships - new this year
  - Questions:
    - What should we consider when reaching out to businesses, what should we communicate?
      - Becky - letters going out with tiers of sponsorship, [live on Givebacks](#)
      - If interested in a business, email Becky to send out the letter
    - Has the PTA ever considered using a CD with rates being higher?
      - Our accounts are fluid and we are using funds as quickly
  - Allocated funds
    - 5th grade legacy project
    - Classroom subscriptions - increasing next year for Scholastic resources
    - Innovation Grants
    - Playground - increased to \$40,000
    - Recruitment and Retention
    - Teacher mini-grants - eliminating grade level grants, increase to \$150
      - Questions -
        - How come there were funds that were not spent? Best guess by looking over the past years to make a judgment call of needs in that line item. We've received an increase in donations.
        - Is there a process to reallocate in the middle of the year when donations are received? Yes, we can propose the amendment and vote at general meetings.
    - Communications - renewing domain name for website
    - Business sponsorships
    - Supporting new jump rope club
    - Question about cultural arts
      - What are these programs? We invite artists to come in for assemblies.
    - Question -
      - Has there been an estimated impact of donation? No
  - Motion to approve 2024-25 budget - Motion - Jenny Garcia, 2nd Brandon Snyder, motion has passed

### **Programs Update - Tracy Zimmermann**

- No Updates

### **Fundraising Update - Becky Davidson**

- Upcoming events
  - May 20th & 21st–Tap Station 11am-10pm
  - June 9th–Holly Springs Salamanders Game-5pm-Princess & Pirates Day, Kids can run the bases after the game
  - June 17th-Goodberry’s-Cornerstone Location-12p-9p
- Sprout School Kits–Now for sale - June 11
- Spirit Rock reservations will go live 6/1/2024–Link on PTA website
- Fundraisers will be the same - will run all while tracks are in - condensed to two weeks, will need volunteers and will have a shorter amount of time to raise funds.

### **LPES Administration Update - Charelle Lovett**

- Thank you for your continued support!
- Check the teacher’s newsletters, school website, and Penguin Press for end-of-year events/celebrations and beginning-of-year information.

### **Teacher(s) Update - Jen Weiss**

- We can’t thank you enough for the support and love we’ve felt from the PTA! We are so fortunate to have such an active, involved, and generous group of parents!

### **Advocacy Update - Michelle O’Keefe**

- No new updates

### **New Business - ALL**

- Board positions available
  - Treasurer
  - Secretary
  - VP of Programs
- Committee positions available
  - Social Media Coordinator
  - Spirit Night Coordinator
  - Audit committee needs 1 more person
  - Nominating committee needs 2 people
  - Trunk or Treat needs a team of 3
  - Snack Cart Coordinator
  - Walk, bike, roll assistant
  - Chess club

Raffle Winners:

Teacher: Belle Rose

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| Johanna | Waeschle |
| Ashley  | Virgen   |
| Kelly   | Hurry    |
| Michael | Durdock  |
| jen     | weiss    |

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| jonathan | howells   |
| Anne     | Paul      |
| Ryan     | Garcia    |
| Michelle | Benavides |
| Emily    | Hoch      |
| Rebekah  | Weber     |

**Meeting adjourned: 7:38pm**

Attendees:

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| Amy      | Joiner     |
| Leah     | Sauerstrom |
| Scott    | Moore      |
| Ashley   | Virgen     |
| Lindsey  | Bullen     |
| Tatiana  | Patrusheva |
| Emily    | Hoch       |
| Reebekah | Weber      |
| Kelly    | McGowan    |
| jen      | weiss      |
| Alyssa   | Page       |
| Johanna  | Waeschle   |
| Nancy    | Haight     |
| Anne     | Paul       |
| Julie    | Jaquillard |
| Kelly    | Hurry      |
| Belle    | Rose       |
| Kathleen | Worsdale   |
| Ryan     | Garcia     |
| Sarah    | Hunter     |
| Jennifer | Garcia     |
| Daneen   | Lipscomb   |
| Joanna   | Strang     |
| Brooke   | Holcombe   |

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| Lauren   | Field       |
| Rick     | Kupselaitis |
| amy      | gagnon      |
| Tracy    | Zimmermann  |
| Becky    | Davidson    |
| Michael  | Durdock     |
| julie    | neild       |
| jonathan | howells     |
| Michelle | Benavides   |
| Abbey    | Kruse       |
| Brandon  | Snyder      |