

**Paradise Canyon Elementary School  
Open PTA Meeting  
February 10, 2009**

**1. Call To Order**

President Laura Campobasso called the Open Meeting of the Paradise Canyon Elementary School PTA to order at 9:20am in the cafeteria. A quorum was present.

Laura introduced Dr. Michael Leininger, Assistant Superintendent of Facilities and Operations. Dr. Leininger led the Pledge of Allegiance. Laura Campobasso welcomed those in attendance and asked everyone to introduce themselves to Dr. Leininger.

**2. Business**

*Construction Update from Dr. Leininger:* Dr. Leininger gave an update on the construction of PCY's new multipurpose facility and addressed questions from the parents.

Dr. Leininger explained that this project has been on board for three years. It started out as an extension of the building, but over time, it was determined that building a separate facility would provide the best value. After a year-long process, the project went to bid, coming in exactly where it was supposed to be. It was decided that the facility would be a 5,000 square foot multipurpose room with a much larger stage area.

In response to concerns about the flooring for the new multipurpose room, Dr. Leininger described the sports floor that was selected. He explained that because the facility will be used for a variety of purposes, a cement floor with a sports floor on top was chosen as opposed to a hard wood floor. He showed the parents an example of the sports floor, which was passed around the room.

Dr. Leininger then addressed three items that were considered bid alternatives. These items were broken out separately from the overall bid.

- 1) Basketball hoops
- 2) Drapes for the back of the room (The front of the room will have drapes for musical performances and stage events.)
- 3) Landscaping for the parking lot

These bid alternatives were broken out separately so that they could be revisited if the bid came in lower than expected. According to Dr. Leininger, sprinklers will be run and landscaping will be added. He

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also stated that at this point, basketball hoops would not be covered because the bid was too high for that addition.

Danielle Gay observed that the sports floor looked as if chairs could rip it. Dr. Leininger responded that the floor had been tested. It is called resilient flooring and pops right back up after indentions are made. Principal Donna Robinson added that she had stood on the flooring with heels and that it had come right back. Apparently, this flooring is commonly used for smaller schools and churches.

A parent asked if they were looking at other bids for the basketball hoops. Dr. Leininger mentioned that he had looked at Tomark Sports, which he uses for the high school. Tomark had actually submitted a bid that was marked up. Donna Robinson is currently looking at Sports Chalet.

A parent asked about the color of the sports floor. Dr. Leininger responded that Donna Robinson was thinking about a green floor. A question arose about the types of lines that would be added to the floor for various sports. He stressed that the facility will be used as a multipurpose room during the day. As for sports, it will mainly be used for drills, which include sports other than basketball. So a minimum number of lines will be added.

Donna added that the multipurpose room will be used mainly during hot and rainy days. The kids will be doing all kinds of activities so we would not want a lot of lines. Dr. Leininger suggested that maybe we could see which lines we use most and come back to it later.

There were further questions about the basketball hoops. Dr. Leininger responded that the hoops would be eight feet as opposed to ten. Currently there is no money in the budget for basketball hoops, but there are some allowances in the contract. If we have some flexibility, we will do it. Even if hoops are not put in right away, supports for them will be placed during construction.

Caren Colburn asked about the order of importance for the bid alternatives. Dr. Leininger responded that curtains for the back of the room are the last priority.

Caren stated that it would be great to know what these shortfalls are so that the PTA can help. Dr. Leininger mentioned that Palm Crest has the same concerns. He also stressed that other items are needed such as a sound system and wiring for audiovisual devices. He stated that the room would be wired for future use of these devices.

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There was continued discussion about additions to the room. Dr. Leininger stressed that the bond is very specific about how money is to be spent. It won't pay for certain additions. He suggested that the PTA discuss this with Donna. He and Donna will then meet with the contractor.

Laura Campobasso requested that Dr. Leininger let us know what the bond will not pay for and give us lead time to help out. Dr. Leininger responded that the site would determine the priority.

Lori Moody asked if community use of this building is nixed? Dr. Leininger responded that in the past the community has been against this option. However, the way the budget is going, it is not being ruled out.

Caren Colburn mentioned that we have had a lot of vandalism and Dr. Leininger responded that the building will include exterior lighting.

*Update on New Mimios:* Mrs. Watts from the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade came to give an update on the new mimio equipment, which has recently been purchased by the PTA. She and Amy Wawrychuk (5<sup>th</sup> grade) have been trained on the mimios already. According to Mrs. Watts, these systems take whiteboards to an entirely new level! They are a fabulous tool and the right tool for this generation of students. The systems come with a wand that connects to a computer, allowing teachers to write on their whiteboards. She thanked the PTA and announced that Mrs. Budde in the 1<sup>st</sup> grade, Mrs. Perdisatt in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, Ms. Block in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade, and Mrs. Darling in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade will have systems.

Mrs. Watts announced that the training will begin today, and includes four to six sessions. She invited the parents to come in and see what it is all about.

*CPR:* Laura Campobasso passed around a Thank You note for the CPR class that was provided by the Safety Committee.

Paige Hulsey **moved** to approve the minutes of the February 10<sup>th</sup> Open Meeting, and Lisa Dick seconded the motion. **The motion passed.**

Mikaho Hara gave the Treasurer's Report for Susan Marki. According to Susan, our beginning cash balance as of December 31, 2008 was \$69,460.66, and our ending cash balance as of the end of January

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stands at \$73,941.06. During this period 25 checks were written totaling \$9,481.16.

Susan Marki referred to the Cash Report and the Warrants report, copies of which were being passed around the room. She announced that she had made minor adjustments to the budget, which she had highlighted in yellow. There were three items of significance:

- 1) She changed the budgeted profit of the Poker Social from \$5,000 to -\$1,446 because there will be no Poker Social this year. The Poker Social team is working on the possibility of getting back their deposits so we hope the loss can be reduced.
- 2) The Book Fair income has been reported. It totals \$3,275, which is less than the budgeted amount by roughly \$725.
- 3) The Disaster Preparedness Committee recommends purchases and replacements over and above the budgeted amount. These proposed purchases have been reviewed and are recommended.

Susan's report praised the Passive Fundraising effort, and encouraged everyone to congratulate Lori Moody. We are already at \$27,204 for the year!

Mikaho Hara **moved** to approve the January 2009 Cash Flow and Cash Warrants Report. Samantha Heer seconded the motion. **The motion passed.**

Mikaho Hara **moved** to approve the adjustments, which had been made to the budget. Ashley Gish seconded the motion. **The motion passed.**

#### **4. Chairperson's Reports**

*Nominating Committee:* Mikaho Hara read off the new PTA Board Slate for 2009-2010. Mikaho **moved** to adopt the new slate. Lisa Simone seconded the motion. **The motion passed.**

Laura Campobasso thanked the Nominating Committee for all of their efforts.

*Poker Social/Medieval Faire:* Caren Colburn announced that the first Committee Chair meeting for the Medieval Faire will be this Thursday. She stated that because of the restructuring of the Faire and the change in layout, we will only serve In and Out Burgers.

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There are fewer volunteers this year, and the Silent Auction will be scaled back. There will not be a big soliciting effort this year. We are asking families to donate money as well as concentrating on class baskets. We will also be raising the price of wristbands to \$35 because of In and Out Burgers.

Laura Campobasso asked if there is any alternative to burgers. Caren responded that there will be hamburgers, cheeseburgers, and cheese sandwiches.

Caren also talked about the Poker Social, mentioned that it needs to be at the beginning of the year. According to Caren, the people who started the Poker Social really wanted it to be a social event and not a fundraiser.

Caren suggested that it be on the first or last Saturday in October. We should not budget any profit. Mikaho stated that we will budget a few dollars because we cannot have the Poker Social without classifying it as a fundraiser. According to Caren, the men in charge would like to state that extra funds will go toward basketball hoops for the multipurpose room.

Caren talked about next year, stating that it is not a year for more fundraising. It is the year for more subtle fundraising. For example, purchasing additional chairs through the One Check Order Form did very well.

Laura Campobasso praised the families at PCY for their continuing level of involvement.

*Founders Day:* Laura Campobasso reported for Mary Beth Eckerle, announcing that the Founders Day Community Ceremony is March 10 at 6:30 at LCHS. She announced the names of the Founders Day recipients. Those honored include parents Lori Moody, Samantha Heer, and Kim Barron; librarian Connie Knight (for the second time), 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher Mrs. Darling, and speech therapist Kathryn Wullschlager.

*Note Card Fundraiser:* There was a debate about whether or not to do it, but the families love it, so we will have the kids go through their portfolios instead of doing original artwork.

*Foundation Gala:* Connie Becker reminded everyone about the upcoming Educational Foundation Gala. Connie was selling raffle tickets for a Prius. She also encouraged everyone to go online and

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look at the website to see all the items which can be purchased prior to the Gala.

**5. Announcements**

- President's Day – NO SCHOOL – Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>
- Spirit Rally – Friday – Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> @ 10:15am
- Site Council Meeting – Tuesday, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>, 3:15pm in the Library
- Founders Day Celebration – March 10<sup>th</sup>, LCHS, 6:30pm
- Round Table Pizza Night – March 18<sup>th</sup>, Grades 1 & 5
- Next PTA Meeting is Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm in the Library

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20am.

Submitted by:

Paige Hulseby  
Recording Secretary