

PTO Meeting: 9/13/22

Please email [jalvarez@isaacschool.org](mailto:jalvarez@isaacschool.org) with your name and email to say you attended the meeting on 9/13/22.

16 attendees from Zoom:

Bill Linski, James Gauld, Carla Ocampo, Jodi Dwyer, Karin Compton, Sarah, Jisel Chacha, Yeimy Mendez, Jay Alvarez, Desiree Dee, Tara Armstrong, Martine, Nick Irie, Delia, Joane Woodhall, Amanda Grundy

PTO Minutes will be posted on the PTO page of the ISAAC website.

Bill opened the meeting.

The New London community wants to support our school. Many business nearby want to help donate to our school. Establish relationships in the community to support the school.

There are many Ideas of ways to support our school. One is soft seating for our school to create a campus feel.

The PTO would like to know what is needed from:

- Teachers
- Students
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade group that is exiting

The PTO will be it's own group and give ideas to Principal. Principal will support PTO's ideas.

Bill asked for members to share ways they might be looking to contribute to the PTO.

Jodi Dwyer: 6<sup>th</sup> grade parent. Has past Participation in PTO. She asked "How are we seeking to engage the community?" She has experience and is willing to help with fundraising and event type fundraising.

Bill shared about programs that we are doing through grants at ISAAC. One example is Salsa Dance Parent Engagement Night-Combining Bi-lingual department and Dance Department. Called Dance and Dine.

Parents asked if we could create a list of the events going on at ISAAC as well as get ideas from the teachers on what they need.

Desiree Dee- Past President of a PTO. Asked what is our Mission Statement from By-Laws?

She shared fundraising ideas:

- Dances and Concessions
- Boograms/ Valentine grams

Bill-Two Things Needed

- A. Raise money
- B. What do we need to provide to our school to make a better learning experience?

**Next Meeting/ Steps:**

### **Elections:**

- Officials should be elected at October Meeting.
- 3 positions last year. Possibility of 4 positions this year. These 4 Members along with Principal form the Executive Committee.
  - President: Keeps Everything moving forward
  - Co-President:
  - Secretary: Takes the minutes
  - Treasurer: Oversees the checkbook
- Question Pose by membership: "What has to happen to make the election happen?"
- Answer: Nominations for the officers happen at this meeting

Members who volunteered for offices:

- President: Jodi Dwyer
- Co-President: Carla Ocampo
- Secretary: Carla Ocampo, Jodi Dwyer
- Treasurer: Carla Ocampo, James Gauld

### **Next Steps:**

- Get questionnaire of what is needed to the teachers. (Bill)
- Choose one thing to focus on to fundraise for this year.
- Put the mission statement on the website. Look over the PTO page on the ISAAC website and give suggestions.
- Send an email to [jalvarez@isaacschool.org](mailto:jalvarez@isaacschool.org) with your name and email address and a note that you attended the 9/13 PTO Meeting.
- Create a PTO email. Helps people who want to be involved know who to contact.
- Review the By-Laws on the PTO page of the ISAAC website.

### **Agenda for Next Meeting:**

Get look at the results from the teacher survey on what is needed for the school.

Give feedback on the PTO website

Hold Elections for officers.

On a later agenda- PTO officers and members can draft a letter to get area businesses involved. Example to include -Spotlight restaurant of the month.

