

Parley's Park Elementary

General PTA Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Time: 8:30 AM

Location: Parley's Park Elementary School, Room 27

- **Guests:** Superintendent Lyndsay Huntsman
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1. Welcome

Presented by: Mira

The meeting was called to order.

2. Superintendent Remarks

Presented by: Superintendent Lyndsay Huntsman

Key updates and discussion topics included:

- **Remote Learning:**
 - Please complete survey, would be for Fridays only.
 - Will count toward the required 180 instructional days.
- **Dual Language Immersion (DLI):**
 - No formal study has been conducted since the program began.
 - A phased review process will begin, including parent focus groups.
 - Identified disparities between traditional and DLI classrooms. Many children with 504s and IEPs in traditional.
 - Focus on ensuring equitable experiences for all students.
 - DLI will continue and is not being eliminated.
 - Magnet schools are not planned; all elementary schools participate in DLI.
 - Trend noted of students leaving DLI as they get older.
- **Enrollment & Open Enrollment:**
 - Students attend from across the district.
 - October 1 enrollment count: 4,049 students.
 - District goal: 5,000 students with the inclusion of preschool.

- Community encouraged to share information about the school district.
- **Preschool Program:**
 - No state funding received for preschool.
 - Tuition increase was necessary to maintain high-quality programming.
 - Program enhancements will better differentiate instruction for 3- and 4-year-olds.
 - Mrs. West praised the preschool-to-kindergarten transition.
- **Literacy & Academics:**
 - Curriculum updates include Letters (Science of Reading), Wit & Wisdom, and Arts and Letters.
 - Approximately 70% of third graders are reading on or above grade level.
 - Reading scores are above the national average.
- **Preparing for Ecker Hill Middle School:**
 - Encouraged student participation in Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs.
 - Opportunities include aviation, drone technology, computer science, and construction programs.
- **Facilities & Athletics:**
 - Baseball and softball fields at the sports complex are complete.
 - Indoor facilities are planned for Phase 3.
 - Some parents are exploring the creation of an athletic foundation to support fundraising.
 - Dozier Field bleachers and concessions have been removed.
 - Spring sports programs will be diverted to alternative locations.
 - Graduation will require an alternative venue; locations under consideration include the Canyons and North 40.
- **Legislation:**
 - Senate Bill 65 (formerly Senate Bill 37) discussed.
 - Families encouraged to write to legislators and help spread awareness.

3. Principal Update

Presented by: Kim

- All schools will introduce a new art program next school year with a licensed, full-time art teacher.
- Hope expressed to retain Melissa Allen.
- Pre-K 4 students will continue to participate in the specials rotation.
- Families encouraged to attend SCC meetings for additional data and updates.
- Tier 1 instructional support began this week, allowing all students to remain in the classroom while receiving targeted support.
- Parent-teacher conferences will be held in early February.
- The OASIS room was highlighted as having a significantly positive impact on staff well-being.
- Clarification provided regarding safety procedures:

- A **hold** is different from a **lockdown**.
- Families were directed to review the provided handout for details.

4. Treasurer Update

Presented by: Lindsay

- PTA received a check from the Park City Education Foundation (PCEF).
- Current budget details are included in the attached PowerPoint presentation.
- Teachers have been asked to begin planning field trips earlier in the school year.

6. PCEF Update / Running With Ed

- A Running With Ed survey will be sent to families to gather input on school theme options.

7. Social Update

- Upcoming events are listed on the back of the agenda.
- Volunteers are needed for the Talent Show and Mathnasium Night.
- Holiday Store was successful, raising approximately \$1,000.
- Discussion held regarding the possibility of allowing parents to attend the holiday sing-along in future years.

8. Talent Show Update

Presented by: Ashley

- Docusign will be used for participation forms.
- Open to students in grades 3–5.
- Focus will be both showcasing talents and providing educational opportunities.
- Communication will be managed through the Band app.
- Three participation categories:
 - On-stage performances
 - Production team
 - Off-stage performances

9. Yearbook Update

- Seeking a photographer to assist with event and school photos.
- Feedback requested on memory pages.

10. Upcoming Events

- **Book Fair:** February 2–4
- **Parent-Teacher Conferences:** February 2–6
- **Talent Show:** February 26
- **Mathnasium Night:** February 27
- **Spring Dance:** May 1
- **Staff Appreciation Week:** May 4–8
- **Running With Ed:** May 16
- **STEAM Festival:** May 28
- **Field Day:** May 29
- **5th Grade Graduation:** June 4

11. Closing

- Final announcement from Jason regarding Speaker Series.
 - A video presentation will be shown during upcoming school assembly
 - In search of more speakers for the rest of the school year
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Next PTA Meetings

- Wednesday, March 11
- Wednesday, May 6