Paradise Valley
Unified School District

Paradise Valley Unified School District | Meeting Agenda

School Council Meeting

Date: August 24, 2026

Time: 8:00 am - 8:30am

Location: Liberty Elementary School - Conference Room

Facilitator: Alyssa Orchard - Principal

Committee Members Present:

- **Community Member Representative** – Bill Burch, Tim Emory
- **Teaching Staff Representative** – Traci Watson, Teacher
- **Principal Representative** – Alyssa Orchard, Principal
- **Support Staff Representative** – Michele Siapkaris, Admin Asst
- **Parent Representative** – Danelle Collier and Rigby Cilley, Parent Representative

Purpose: Monthly Meeting

Outcomes: First Meeting of the 26/27 School Year

Agenda/Minutes

I. **Welcome**
II. **Member Introductions**
III. **Site Council Training**
IV. **Parking lot and Drop Off**
V. **Tax Credit**
    - **LCMT - Pay Teacher out of collected TC fees**
    - **Scholarship totalling no more than 5 Students with a total of $500**
    - **Scholarship totalling no more than $1000 for 5th Grade CampWay Field Trip on 9/30-10//2.**
    - **Future character education assemblies**

Vi. Do we want to provide funds for grade level field trips?

Vii. PBIS Award

Meeting was adjourned at 8:37 am

Minutes:

In Attendance: Alyssa Orchard, Kristen Portillo, Tim Emory, Traci Watson, Bill Burch, Danelle Collier

VI. Welcome

A. Welcome to the 2026-2027 school year!

VII. Member Introductions

A. Members introduced themselves and their role on the council

VIII. Site Council Training

A. Training slides were presented. Roles and responsibilities were discussed.
B. Council serves as a decision-making body with representatives from all stakeholder groups

IX. Parking lot and Drop Off

A. Discussed opening a different gate for arrival in the morning. Committee decided to leave it as is.
B. Members shared it has been this way for years.
C. Messaging will be shared about kiss and go and to drop their students off.
D. No safety concerns were shared about drop off
E. Discussed the safety concerns about parents parking on Marilyn and having students cross the street. This is not a monitored crossing area and is unsafe. Cars cannot see students crossing that are through traffic.
    1. SSO will go out on Tuesday and Thursday to alert parents
    2. Messaging will be shared in Liberty Loop
    3. Member volunteered to stand out and assist if needed.

X. Tax Credit

- **LCMT - Pay Teacher out of collected TC fees**
    - Approved by all members 8:23 AM
- **Scholarship totalling no more than 5 Students with a total of $500**
    - Approved by all members 8:24 AM
- **Scholarship totalling no more than $1000 for 5th Grade CampWay Field Trip on 9/30-10//2.**
    - Approved by all members 8:25 AM
- **Future character education assemblies**
    - Since we do not have our current budget, we will discuss at our next meeting.

Vi. Do we want to provide funds for grade-level field trips?

- All members voted yes 8:27
- $1000 per grade level

Vii. PBIS Award

- We won the PBIS Tier III Gold Award