

Sand Lake Elementary PTG Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, September 14th, 2026

Time: 5:30–7:15 PM

Location: Conference Room at Sand Lake Elementary School

Attendance

Present:

- Matt Meyers (SL Principal)
- Kim Edwards (Executive Director of Instructional Services – SDH)
- Brenda Geier (Instructional Coach – SDH)
- Brandee Hrubes – virtual (SL Teacher)
- Bridgette Faron (SL Title 1 Teacher)
- Kelly Nestingen (PTG Teacher Representative and SL Parent)
- Anna Frazier (PTG President, SL Parent)
- Emily Crook (PTG Vice President, SL Parent)
- Betsy Jessie (PTG Treasurer, SL Parent)
- Heidi Feuerhelm (PTG Secretary, SL Parent)
- Carly Baurichter (SL Parent)
- Laura Miller (SL Parent)
- Mindy Towne (SL Parent)
- Jill Inge (SL Parent)
- Mischa Sandwick (SL Parent)

Excused:

NA

Secretary's Report

- Emily moved to approve the August meeting minutes; Carly seconded the motion

Treasurer's Report

- Current balance: \$17,044.40 (across four accounts)
 - \$1,000 went to Booster Fee
 - Money went toward supplies/snacks for welcoming back teachers
 - \$6,945 will soon be used for the book vending machine
 - We have a new EIN
 - Anna Frazier (SL PTG President) will be added to the PTG bank account

Principal's Report

- Students are currently in their first five-day school week of the school year
- The assessment window is open
- Homecoming is 10/2/26
 - Parade is at 1:15
- Parent-Teacher Conferences are 10/20/26 and 10/29/26
 - PTG will provide a meal from Midway Deli at 3:30 on 10/20/26

- Betsy will call
- In the Spring of '25 the cost was approximately \$290
- The current staff count is 55 to 60
- PTG will set up sign-up for parents to provide dessert and/or trail mix supplies
 - Emily will take care of sign-ups
- PTG will “host” trail mix bar and scavenger hunt
 - Laura will take care of scavenger hunt
 - Heidi will see if NHS students can volunteer for trail mix bar
 - This will all be finalized at the next PTG Meeting

Old Business

-Fun Run updates

- Scheduled for 10/9 outdoors; will move to gym if raining
- Small group met this past Thursday (9/17)
- Teacher kits were sorted this past Friday (9/18)
- Prizes have not yet arrived, when they do, Betsy will see if student council can assist with delivery
- Our school goal is \$20,000; the stretch goal is \$25,000
- The reward for meeting the big goal is still being determined – possibly Mr. Meyers dyeing his hair; the reward for meeting the stretch goal is still being determined – VR sets, picnic tables, and a poster maker printer were discussed
- Each teacher created their own incentive plan last year
- Anna found start/finish arches that we can use and may purchase speakers soon
- Shirts are fully funded (excess will be divided between the four schools and could be used toward prizes)
- The Viking splatter shirt won the vote
 - We would like a black t-shirt; Laura will follow up

New Business

-Brenda Geier spoke on Love of Math Event held in February

- Requested \$200 annual commitment to keep event going
 - Money covers transportation, snacks, medals
- Partnership with (and held at) UW-La Crosse campus with preservice educators
- Intended for 4th- and 5th-grade students
- Heidi moved to provide the \$200; Anna seconded the motion

-Kim Edwards and Bridgette Faron spoke about Sand Lake's Title One Program

- Sand Lake's Title One program is schoolwide, meaning Bridgette can serve any student; students are most often pulled during their WIN time, and the focus is often reading but can be math also
- Information re: parents' rights was shared
- Kim and Bridgette were looking for ideas on how to partner

-Sara Schultz is retiring this month; we will thank her with a gift card to Big Lady restaurant (Anna)

-Next restaurant fundraiser will be Topper's in December (Laura will organize)

-Our Grinch Night (a SL family event) will be held 12/11/26

Open Discussion

- Our childcare helpers today stepped up last minute; we will thank them with a gift card to Michael's (Anna)
- Mini Grant Information needs to get sent out (Emily); deadline will be extended to 11/1/26
- December choir concerts for 2nd and 4th grade will be held 12/3/26

Upcoming Business

Next Meeting

- October 5th at 5:30pm at Sand Lake Elementary School

Upcoming meeting dates (5:30 PM start, Sand Lake Elementary unless otherwise indicated)

- October 5th
- November 2nd
- December 7th
- January 4th
- February 1st
- March 1st
- April 5th
- May 3rd

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM